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PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE

At the Court of Saint James, the 9th day of March 1977

PRESENT,

The Counsellors of State in Council

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 3rd day of February 1977, to delegate to the six Counsellors of State therein named or any two or more of them full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas it is expedient to provide for revised rates and conditions of award of retired pay, pensions, preserved pensions, terminal grants, preserved terminal grants, gratuities, resettlement grants and redundancy payments for Officers of Flag and General Rank, other Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, for Members of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service, and for Officers and Ratings of the Women's Royal Naval Service:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Anne, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act 1865 (c. 73), and all other powers enabling Her Majesty, and by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, do on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Non-Effective Benefits) Order 1977.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act 1889 (c. 63) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

General

3. The revised rates and conditions of award of retired pay, pensions, preserved pensions, terminal grants, preserved terminal grants, gratuities, resettlement grants and redundancy payments in respect of service in the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service and the Women's Royal Naval Service shall be as specified in the Schedules annexed hereto.

4. Except as otherwise indicated, the provisions contained in this Order shall have effect from 1st April 1976.

N. E. Leigh

SCHEDULE I

1. The provisions of this Schedule relate to officers holding permanent or pensionable commissions in the Royal Navy or Royal Marines who retire from the Active List on or after 1st April 1976. Subject to the provisions of the Forfeiture Act 1870 and the Admiralty Pensions Act 1921, they relate also to retired officers whose commissions are terminated or whose names are removed from the list of Retired Officers because of misconduct. Except where otherwise indicated they do not apply to officers holding temporary or short service commissions or officers on the Supplementary List who have not been granted permanent or pensionable commissions. In respect of officers serving on or after 1st April 1976, eligibility to receive an award for which they would have qualified under earlier regulations is hereby extinguished.

SECTION I

Half Pay and Terminal Grants for Admirals of the Fleet

2. (a) An Admiral of the Fleet will be eligible during periods subsequent to 31st March 1976 for which he does not receive full pay, for half pay at the rate of £11,500 per annum.

(b) An Admiral of the Fleet granted half pay and whose last day of service on full pay is 31st March 1976 or later, may be awarded a tax-free terminal grant of £34,500, in addition to his half pay.

3. An Admiral of the Fleet who has been awarded a terminal grant under this Schedule shall not be eligible for any further terminal grant on the conclusion of any subsequent period of full pay service.