1978 No. 185

DISEASES OF FISH

Risk of Infection (Fish) Order (Northern Ireland) 1978

Made . . . . . *5th July* 1978

Coming into operation . . . *1st September* 1978

Whereas it is provided by Section 3 of the Diseases of Fish Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(**a**) that where the Department(**b**) of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as "the Department") is satisfied that there is a likelihood of any waters becoming infected waters the Department may make an Order prohibiting the bringing, otherwise than under the authority and in accordance with the terms of a written permit issued by the Department, into Northern Ireland, or any part of Northern Ireland specified in the Order, of any fish or any species, condition or description of fish whether alive or dead other than frozen or canned or cooked fish duly imported into Northern Ireland in compliance with any regulations for the time being in force relating to matters of public health or food hygiene; or any food for fish.

AND WHEREAS the Department is satisfied that there is a likelihood of the waters specified in the Schedule hereto becoming infected waters.

NOW THEREFORE the Department, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said Section 3 of the Diseases of Fish Act (Northern Ireland) 1967, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Risk of Infection (Fish) Order (Northern Ireland) 1978 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1978.

Interpretation

2. In this Order "Salmonidae" means fish of the family Salmonidae including the Genera Salmo, Salvelinus and Oncorhyncus.

Prohibition

3. A person shall not bring into any part of Northern Ireland any salmonidae whether alive or dead other than frozen or canned or cooked fish duly imported into Northern Ireland in compliance with any regulations for the time being in force relating to matters of public health or food hygiene.

Exemptions

4.—(1) The prohibitions imposed by this Order shall not apply to any salmonidae brought into any part of Northern Ireland under the authority and in accordance with the terms of a written permit issued by the Department.

(2) This Order shall not apply to fresh, dead salmonidae brought into Northern Ireland from the Republic of Ireland.

(**a**) 1967 c. 7 (N.I.)
(**b**) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c.36, s.40 and Sch 5 para 8(1)