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By command,

R. A. C. NORTH,
Colonial Secretary.

NOTICES.

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Hong Kong.

In exercise of the powers conferred by the Emergency Powers (Colonial Defence) Order in Council, 1939, the Governor makes the following regulations:—

Hong Kong registered ships transfer and mortgage regulations.

1. It shall be unlawful, excepting under the authority of the Board of Trade, to transfer or mortgage, or to transfer any mortgage of, any British ship registered in the Colony or any share in such a British ship; and if any person purports to effect any transfer or mortgage which is unlawful by virtue of this paragraph, then, in addition to the transfer or mortgage being void, he shall be guilty of an offence against this regulation punishable as provided in regulation 84 published in Notification No. 703 of 26th August, 1939.

2. Notwithstanding anything in section 53 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, an application made (whether before or after the coming into force of this regulation) for the transfer of the registry of a British ship registered in the Colony shall not be granted excepting with the approval of the Board of Trade.

3. Nothing in section 48 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, as amended by section 53 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, shall apply in relation to any alterations of a British ship registered under the first mentioned Act which, in pursuance of directions given by or on behalf of the Board of Trade, are made on any occasion for the purpose only of providing in the ship additional space or accommodation for cargo, stores, passengers or crew, provided that such particular alterations as may be prescribed by the Board of Trade are, within such time after the completion of the alterations as may be so prescribed, indorsed on the ship's certificate of registry by a registrar of British ships.

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R. A. C. NORTH,
Colonial Secretary.

28th August, 1939.

No. 710.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

It is hereby notified for general information that regulations similar to the above and applicable to all British ships, other than Dominion ships, have been enacted in the United Kingdom under the authority of the Emergency Powers (Defence) Act.

R. A. C. NORTH,
Colonial Secretary.

28th August, 1939.