



At the Court at Buckingham Palace

THE 3rd DAY OF MAY 1997

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL

WHEREAS by the Civil Service Order in Council 1995 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Order") provision was made relating to the appointment of persons to situations in Her Majesty's Home Civil Service and for regulating the conduct of Her Majesty's Home Civil Service and the conditions of service therein:

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to make further provision for Her Majesty's Home Civil Service in relation to the matters aforesaid:

NOW, THEREFORE, Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:-

1. Article 3 of the principal Order shall be amended by the substitution of the following new Article:

"3.-(1) Article 2(1)(a) shall not apply to any situation where the holder is appointed directly by the Crown.

(2) Article 2(1)(a) shall not apply to any situation where the holder is appointed by a Minister of the Crown

(a) for the purpose only of providing advice to any Minister, and

(b) for a period which cannot extend beyond the end of an Administration.

(3) Article 3(2)(a) shall not have effect in the case of up to three situations in the Prime Minister's Office which are designated by him."

Citation etc.

2.-(1) This Order may be cited as the Civil Service (Amendment) Order in Council 1997 and shall come into force forthwith.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1978 (a) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

N. H. Nicholls

(a) 1978 c.30.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Civil Service Order in Council 1995 so as to include in the exemptions made in Article 3 of that Order appointments to a limited number of situations in the Prime Minister's Office which may be designated by him.