

**1955/131**

**THE CUSTOMS DUTIES SUSPENSION ORDER (NO. 5) 1955**

C. W. M. NORRIE, Governor-General  
ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 8th day of August 1955

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. S. G. HOLLAND PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 12 of the Customs Amendment Act 1921, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, and being satisfied that the existing duties are likely to operate in an injurious manner generally to the public interest, hereby makes the following order.

**ORDER**

1. (1) This order may be cited as the Customs Duties Suspension Order (No. 5) 1955.

(2) This order shall be deemed to have come into force on the 20th day of June 1955.

2. This order applies to all duties of Customs, including surtax and primage duty, and whether imposed by:

- (a) The existing Tariff (being the First Schedule to the Customs Acts Amendment Act 1934, as amended by the Customs Tariff Amendment Order 1938, No. 2\*); or
- (b) Part I of Schedule XIII to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, as set out in the First Schedule to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Act 1948; or
- (c) Schedule B to the Trade Agreement between Australia and New Zealand, as set out in the Appendix to the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Australia) Ratification Act 1933, as amended by the Trade Agreement (Australia) Order, 1938†; or
- (d) Schedule B to the Trade Agreement between Canada and New Zealand, as set out in the Appendix to the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Canada) Ratification Act 1932, as amended by the Trade Agreement (Canada) Order 1938‡; or
- (e) Any other enactment.

\*S.R. 1938/28.  
†S.R. 1938/29.  
‡S.R. 1938/30.

3. All duties relating to the goods set out in the Schedule hereto are hereby suspended.

4. Duty at the rate of 10 per cent *ad valorem* is hereby imposed on the goods set out in the Schedule hereto instead of that imposed by Schedule B to the Trade Agreement between Australia and New Zealand, as set out in the Appendix to the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Australia) Ratification Act 1933, as amended by the Trade Agreement (Australia) Order, 1938\*.

5. Duty at the rate of 10 per cent *ad valorem* is hereby imposed on the goods set out in the Schedule hereto instead of that imposed by Schedule B to the Trade Agreement between Canada and New Zealand, as set out in the Appendix to the Trade Agreement (New Zealand and Canada) Ratification Act 1932, as amended by the Trade Agreement (Canada) Order 1938†.

6. Duty at the rate of 30 per cent *ad valorem* is hereby imposed on the goods set out in the Schedule hereto instead of that imposed under the General Tariff or by Part I of Schedule XIII to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, as set out in the First Schedule to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Act 1948.

7. Every suspension of duty or application of duty hereby effected shall be subject to the provisions of section 143 of the Customs Act 1913.

8. All duties of Customs that have become due and payable and all penalties and forfeitures that have been incurred before the commencement of this order shall be recovered and enforced as if this order had not been made.

## SCHEDULE

GOODS ON WHICH CERTAIN DUTIES ARE SUSPENDED AND ON WHICH OTHER DUTIES ARE IMPOSED FROM 20 JUNE 1955

| Tariff Item No. | Goods  |
|-----------------|--|
| 356             | Ex (1) (b)—<br>(i) Prefabricated metal bridges of such types as may be approved by the Minister of Customs.<br>(ii) Subject to the approval of the Minister of Customs in respect of particular bridges, prefabricated metal work peculiar to use in bridge construction on declaration that it will be used solely in the construction of such bridges. |

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

\*S.R. 1938/29.

†S.R. 1938/30.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

[*This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*]

This order makes a reduction of 20 per cent in the rates of duty payable on prefabricated metal bridges of types approved by the Minister of Customs and on prefabricated metal work peculiar to use in bridge construction declared to be for use solely in the construction of bridges which are approved by the Minister of Customs. While this order is in force such goods will be free of duty under the British Preferential Tariff, and subject to a duty of 10 per cent *ad valorem* under the Canadian and Australian Trade Agreements and 30 per cent *ad valorem* under the Most Favoured Nation Tariff and General Tariff.

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Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Customs Department.