

United Nations Legislative Series

LAWS CONCERNING THE NATIONALITY OF SHIPS

5a. Burma

The following is to be inserted on page 10:

(a) MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1894¹

(b) MERCHANT SHIPPING (REGISTRATION OF BURMA GOVERNMENT SHIPS)
ORDER, 1937^{2 3}

1. An application for registry of a Burma Government ship shall be made in writing under the hand of a Secretary to the Government of Burma or other officer nominated by that Government. Such application shall contain the following particulars:

- (i) A statement of the name and description of the ship;
- (ii) A statement of the time when and place where the ship was built, or if the ship was foreign-built and the time and place of building are unknown, a statement to that effect and of her foreign name;
- (iii) A statement of the nature of the title to the said ship, whether by original construction by or for that Government, or by purchase, capture, condemnation or otherwise, and a list of the documents of title, if any, in case she was not originally constructed by or for that Government;
- (iv) A statement of the name of the Master.

2. The Registrar, on receiving such application in respect of a Burma Government ship, shall—

- (i) Enter the ship in the Register Book as belonging to "His Majesty, represented by the Government of Burma" and shall also enter therein—
- (ii) The name of the port to which she belongs;
- (iii) The particulars stated in the application for registration;
- (iv) The details comprised in the Surveyor's Certificate.

3. On the registry of a Burma Government ship the Registrar shall retain in his possession the Surveyor's Certificate and the application for registry and any documents of title mentioned in such application.

¹ See *infra* under United Kingdom. According to the note of 31 January 1956 received from the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Burma, the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, apply with respect to the registration of Burmese ships in that country.

² Great Britain, *Statutes, Statutory Rules and Orders*, 1937, p. 1689.

³ According to the note of 31 January 1956 received from the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Burma, the Merchant Shipping (Registration of Burma Government Ships) Order, 1937, is a Statutory Rule and Order of Her Majesty's Government as far as it relates to Government ships only.