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PROCLAMATION

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CUSTOMS

The Export of Anti-Personnel Landmines Proclamation 1997

(Proclamation No. 2 of 1997)

By **RICHARD PETER RALPH**, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commissioner for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, A PROCLAMATION—

**WHEREAS** section 35 of the Customs Ordinance(a) in its application to South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands under the Application of Colony Laws Ordinance(b) has the effect that it shall be lawful for the Commissioner from time to time by proclamation to prohibit the importation, carriage coastwise or exportation of any goods whatsoever and that any such proclamation may prohibit importation, carriage coastwise or exportation until the revocation thereof, or during such time as may be specified therein, and may either absolutely prohibit importation, carriage coastwise or exportation except on compliance with any conditions which may be specified in the proclamation, or importation from or exportation to any particular place named in the proclamation;

**AND WHEREAS** it is desired to prohibit the exportation of anti-personnel landmines from South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands;

**IN EXERCISE** of my powers under section 35 of the Customs Ordinance(a) and of all other powers enabling me, **I PROCLAIM** as follows—

1. The export from South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands of any arms is prohibited until such time as this Proclamation is revoked.
2. This Proclamation shall become effective on its first publication in the *Gazette*.

GIVEN under my hand and the Public Seal of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands at Government House, Stanley, Falkland Islands, this ninth day of May in the year of Our Lord One thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Seven

R. P. Ralph  
*Commissioner*

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(a) Cap. 16 Laws of the Falkland Islands 1950 Edition

(b) Cap 1 (D.S.) Laws of the Falkland Islands 1950 Edition

EXPLANATORY NOTE  
*(not forming part of the above Proclamation)*

This Proclamation has been issued in order to enable effect to be given in South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, as a Dependent Territory of the United Kingdom, to the United Kingdom's policy of prohibiting the export of anti-personnel landmines to all countries as part of its commitment to work actively towards a total global ban on the use of such mines.