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a form recognized by that Act will rest on the person requesting the service and not on the consular officer who performs it."

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13.51 a. Distressed Canadian Merchant

Seamen should apply to the nearest British Consular Officer for assistance.

b. Order-in-Council P.C. 609 of March 23rd, 1937, provides for the issuance of Distressed Seamen Regulations under the provisions of Section 294 of the Canada Shipping Act, 1934. The categories to whom these Regulations apply are:

1. Canadian seamen who have been serving on a Canadian ship;
2. Canadian seamen who have been serving on a foreign ship;
3. Non-Canadian seamen who were domiciled in Canada for a period of twelve months prior to signing on and who have been serving on a Canadian ship. Non-Canadian seamen are entitled only to the terms of the provisions concerning seamen who have suffered shipwreck or illness or have been illegally left behind.

c. The provisions of P.C. 609 may not be recognized by the Master of a ship of United Kingdom Registry until such time as an agreement to this effect has been arranged with the United Kingdom authorities. Meantime, however, British Consular Officers apply United Kingdom distressed seamen Regulations for the benefit of Canadian seamen who fall into distress and apply to them for relief and repatriation.

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