

2. Paragraph (g) of subsection one of section six, with the controlling words of the section, presently reads as follows:—

(g) "The Minister may, if authorized by the Governor in Council, exercise any of the powers contained in paragraphs (a) to (f) both inclusive, of this subsection for or on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland whether at the instance of or through the medium of the British Supply Board or otherwise and for or on behalf of any other of His Majesty's Governments or for or on behalf of the Government of the Republic of France or for or on behalf of the Government of any allied or associated power."

The proposed amendment omits the words underlined, as the British Supply Board was dissolved at a meeting of the Board held on August 31st, 1940, and the Minister of Munitions and Supply has ceased to exercise any of the powers contained in section six for and on behalf of the Government of the Republic of France.

3. Paragraph (i) of section seven presently reads as follows:—

"(i) munitions of war or supplies manufactured in an arsenal or factory owned or operated by His Majesty the King in right of Canada."

These are exceptions to the Minister's exclusive authority to acquire by purchase, manufacture or otherwise.

Dominion Arsenals previously came under the jurisdiction of the Minister of National Defence. By Order in Council P.C. 6751 passed November 23rd, 1940, the management, charge and direction of the public works used as or held for arsenal purposes at or about the City of Quebec and the Town of Lindsay, Ontario, were transferred from the Department of National Defence and vested in the Department of Munitions and Supply.

4. Paragraphs (c), (d), (e) and (f) of section eight as enacted read as follows:—

"(c) requisitions shall be signed in accordance with the following provisions:—

(i) if the requisition involves an estimated expenditure not exceeding five thousand dollars, the requisition shall be signed by the Minister or the Deputy Minister or an Acting Deputy Minister of the Department concerned or by such other officer or officers of the Department as the Minister of such Department may authorize;