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A LAW TO MAKE SPECIAL PROVISION IN CASES OF THEFT, ETC., OF FIREARMS, ETC., BELONGING TO HER MAJESTY.

[24th February, 1946.]

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Property of Her Majesty (Theft and Possession) Law.

Theft, etc.,
of firearms,
etc.,
belonging
to Her
Majesty.

2. (1) Any person who—

- (a) steals any firearm, ammunition or explosive belonging to Her Majesty ;
- (b) unlawfully receives or takes upon himself the control or disposition of any firearm, ammunition or explosive belonging to Her Majesty ;
- (c) without lawful authority or lawful occasion, the burden of proof of which shall lie on him, carries or has in his possession any firearm, ammunition or explosive belonging to Her Majesty,

shall be guilty of an offence against this section and shall, on conviction, be liable to imprisonment for life.

(2) For the purposes of this section the expression—

“firearm, ammunition or explosive belonging to Her Majesty” shall include a firearm, ammunition or explosive furnished or issued for the use of an officer, non-commissioned officer or private of Her Majesty's Forces or of any Allied or Dominion or Colonial Forces or any member of the Cyprus Police Force ;

“has in his possession” shall include not only having in one's own personal possession, but also knowingly having in the actual possession or custody