

**OFFICIAL SECRETS ACTS
DECLARATION**

TO BE SIGNED :—

- (i) In duplicate, by officers, on first appointment.
- (ii) By officers, airmen and airwomen, during service, as and when required, including all occasions when personnel are posted to and from Air Ministry Headquarters.
- (iii) In duplicate, by officers, airmen and airwomen on leaving Her Majesty's Air Forces.

1. My attention has been drawn to the provisions of the Official Secrets Acts, 1911 and 1920, which are set out on the back of this document, and I am fully aware of the serious consequences which may follow any breach of those provisions.

2. I understand that :—

- (a) The sections of the Official Secrets Acts set out on the back of this document cover also articles published in the Press and in book form.
- (b) I must not divulge any information gained by me as a result of my service in Her Majesty's Air Forces to any unauthorised person, either civilian or member of H.M. Forces, orally or in writing, without the previous authority of the Air Ministry, as laid down in Q.R.991.
- (c) Those provisions apply not only during the period of my service with Her Majesty's Air Forces, but also after that service has ceased.
- (d) All the information which I acquire or to which I have access owing to my official position is information which is covered by Section 2 of the Official Secrets Act, 1911, as amended by the Official Secrets Act, 1920, and that it would be a contravention of those Acts for me after I have left Her Majesty's Air Forces :—
 - (i) To publish without lawful authority any such information in any form, whether orally or in any document, book, newspaper or magazine article, play, film, broadcast or otherwise in the United Kingdom or abroad.
 - (ii) To communicate without lawful authority any such information to any other person whether or not such person is or has been employed in the service of the State.
- (e) In the event of my wishing to publish such information in any form after I have left Her Majesty's Air Forces, whether orally or in any document, book, newspaper or magazine article, play, film, broadcast or otherwise, I should, in my own interest, as well as that of the Crown, write to the Under-Secretary of State for Air, Air Ministry, for permission, forwarding a copy of the material it is desired to publish.

3. I undertake, on leaving Her Majesty's Air Forces, to surrender any sketch, photograph, plan, model, article, note or document made or acquired by me in the course of my official duties, save such as I have been duly authorised to retain by my superior officer in Her Majesty's Air Forces.

4. This declaration is made this 11th day of MARCH 1960 *and I have received a copy for my retention.

Unit Stamp H.Q. No. 1 I.T.S. Signed Anthony Allan Burton
 Rank OFF/CDT
 R.A.F. No. 682444
ANTHONY ALLAN BURTON
 (Full name in block letters.)

Witnessed R.A.F. [Signature]
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*Delete as necessary.