

Cultural Property (Armed Conflicts) Bill [HL]

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After Clause 17

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Insert the following new Clause—

“Unlawfully exported cultural property: duty to provide information

- (1) Auctioneers and traders within the United Kingdom have a duty to provide buyers and potential buyers of items of cultural property (including antiques, cultural artefacts and artworks) with the information they need to make a decision as to whether the item has been unlawfully exported within the meaning of section 17.
- (2) In carrying out the duty under subsection (1), auctioneers must provide every buyer or potential buyer of an item of cultural property with—
 - (a) information on the identity of the seller of the item, and
 - (b) as much information on the history of the item as the seller is reasonably able to provide.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) apply in cases where an auctioneer is the owner of the item.
- (4) In carrying out the duty under subsection (1), traders must provide every buyer or potential buyer of an item of cultural property with—
 - (a) information on the identity of the previous owner of the item, and
 - (b) as much information on the history of the item as the trader is reasonably able to provide,where the item is valued at or over an amount specified by the Secretary of State by regulations.
- (5) Any person in possession of an item of cultural property that is valued at, or being sold for an amount specified by the Secretary of State by regulations, and who wishes to dispose of that item, must provide the item with an object passport in order to indicate whether or not the item has been unlawfully exported within the meaning of section 17.
- (6) The object passport must include, but is not limited to including, the following information—
 - (a) the names and addresses of all previous owners;

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- (b) the date on which the item was imported into the United Kingdom; and
 - (c) the dates on which the item was exported to other countries.
- (7) Regulations made under this section must be made by statutory instrument.
- (8) A statutory instrument containing regulations under this section may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.”

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