



## ANALYSIS

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1969, No. 11

An Act of the Legislative Assembly of the Cook Islands to appropriate certain sums of money out of the Cook Islands Government Account to the services of the year ending with the thirty-first day of March, 1970, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this year

(7 October 1969)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN, - We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Cook Islands, towards making good the supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this year, have resolved to grant unto Your Majesty the sums hereinafter mentioned and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted: And be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Cook Islands in Session assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title - This act may be cited as the Appropriation Act 1969, and relates to the year ending on the thirty-first day of March 1970 (hereinafter referred to as "this year").

2. Grant and Appropriation of \$3,762,430 out of the Cook Islands Government Account - (1) The Minister responsible for finance may issue and apply out of the Cook Islands Government Account, towards making good the supplies granted to Her Majesty for the services of this year, any sums which do not exceed the sum of \$3,762,430.

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(2) The sums hereinbefore authorised to be applied, together with the fees collected by such public officers as are appropriated for the services expressed in the several votes specified in the First Schedule to this Act.

3. Indemnity as to unauthorised expenditure of \$2,086 for the year ended 31 March 1969. - Whereas the Minister responsible for finance has issued under the authority of Article 70 (3) (b) of the Cook Islands Constitution during the financial year that ended on the thirty-first day of March 1969 the sum of \$81,989 in excess of the appropriation of the Cook Islands Legislative Assembly. And whereas the said Minister has issued and paid during the said financial year the sum of \$2,086 out of the Cook Islands Government Account in excess of the limit imposed by the said Article 70 (3) (b): And Whereas a statement of such unauthorised expenditure has been included in the accounts for the year 1968/69 presently before the Legislative Assembly. Be it therefore enacted that the Minister responsible for finance is hereby indemnified in respect of the application of the said sum of \$2,086 and the application of the said amount of \$81,989 is hereby sanctioned.

4. Authority to write off losses of public money and Public stores amounting to \$3,364.55 - Whereas the losses of public money and public stores specified in the accounts for the year 1968/69 have occurred, amounting in the whole to three thousand three hundred and sixty-four dollars fifty-five cents: Be it therefore enacted as follows:

(1) The amounts specified in the accounts, being sums of public money and the value of public stores and the amounts of claims abandoned, are hereby written off.

(2) No person, other than an accounting officer within the meaning of the Public Revenues Ordinance, 1958, shall be deemed to be discharged by reason only of the fact that the said amounts are written off, from any liability in respect of any public money or public stores (other than claims abandoned to which this section applies).

5. Salaries of Judges, and of Secretary of the Premier's Department - There shall be paid to the Judges of the High Court and the Land Court and the Secretary of the Premier's Department out of the Cook Islands Government Account without further appropriation than this Act salaries as follows:-

- (a) To the Chief Judge of the High Court salary at the rate of six thousand and sixty dollars per annum for the period from the twelfth day of August 1968, to the thirty-first day of March 1970; and
- (b) To the Chief Judge of the Land Court salary at the rate of six thousand and sixty dollars per annum for the period from the twelfth day of August 1968, to the twenty-eighth day of March 1969; and
- (c) To the Secretary of the Premier's Department salary at the rate of six thousand and sixty dollars per annum for the period from the twelfth day of August 1968, to the eleventh day of May 1969;

together with such sums and allowances as the Executive Council may from time to time decree.

SCHEDULE

APPROPRIATIONS OUT OF THE COOK ISLANDS  
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR  
1969 - 70

Vote	Service	Appropriation	
		Ordinary	Capital
1	Legislative Service	56,020	56,020
2	Public Service Commission	41,500	41,500
3	Premier's Department	239,480	239,480
4	Treasury and Customs	203,700	203,700
5	Economic Development		
	Agriculture and Fisheries	193,420	17,250
	Co-operatives	32,200	242,870
6	Works and Communications		
	Public Works	132,300	340,750
	Post Office	67,700	98,500
	Radio	86,480	38,850
	Survey	43,200	2,400
	Electric Power Supply		167,500
7	Justice	85,300	85,300
8	Education	704,050	75,750
9	Health	757,500	122,200
10	Internal Affairs		
	Main Department	201,600	126,080
	Tourist Authority	18,150	345,830
11	Police	92,550	92,550
			<u>3,762,430</u>

This Act is administered in the Treasury.