

RATAVUL LANDS ORDINANCE 1950.⁽¹⁾

No. 22 of 1950.

An Ordinance relating to certain Land at Ratavul.

BE it ordained by the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Papua and New Guinea Act 1949*, as follows:—

Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Ratavul Lands Ordinance 1950.*⁽¹⁾

Commencement. 2. This Ordinance shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice⁽¹⁾ in the *Gazette*.

Definitions. 3. In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears—
 “the Director” means the Director of District Services and Native Affairs;
 “the resumption” means the resumption of the land described in the Schedule by the notice referred to in section four of this Ordinance;
 “the Schedule” means the Schedule to this Ordinance.

Notice of resumption gazetted on 14th January, 1939, to be inoperative. 4. Subject to sections five and six of this Ordinance, the notice⁽²⁾ of resumption of the land described in the Schedule and published in the *New Guinea Gazette* on the fourteenth day of January, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine shall be deemed to be, and at all times to have been, inoperative and of no effect.

Payment of compensation. 5.—(1.) The sum of Five hundred and thirty-four pounds nine shillings and elevenpence, together with compound interest thereon at the rate of two per centum per annum calculated from the eighth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine until the commencement of this Ordinance, shall be payable by the Administration as compensation for the resumption.

(2.) The compensation referred to in the last preceding subsection shall be paid to the Director as trustee for the native owners of the land described in the Schedule, for distribution among

(1) Particulars of this Ordinance are as follows:—

Date on which made by Gov.-Gen. in Council.	Date on which notified in <i>Cwllh. Gaz.</i>	Date on which took effect.
19.10.1950	26.10.1950	23.11.1950 (<i>Papua and N.G. Govt. Gaz. of 23.11.1950</i>)

(2) Printed in *The Laws of the Territory of New Guinea 1921–1945 (Annotated)*, Vol. III., on p. 2828.

them in proportion to their respective rights and interests in the land, or for such other disposal as the Director and the native owners may determine.

6. Except as provided in section five of this Ordinance, no compensation shall be payable by the Administration in respect of the resumption, and no action shall be brought against any officer or other person for any act or thing bona fide done by him before the commencement of this Ordinance in pursuance of the resumption.

Protection of
officers, &c.

THE SCHEDULE.

All that piece of land containing by admeasurement 7 hectares 30 ares 35 square metres more or less situated on the eastern shore of Talili Bay in the District of New Britain commencing at a point at high-water mark on the said shore of Talili Bay being the westernmost corner of Portion 372 known as Toleap and bounded thence on the north-east and north-west by south-western and south-eastern boundaries of the said Portion 372 being straight lines bearing 146 degrees 15 minutes for approximately 80 metres and 81 degrees 51 minutes for 47 and 54/100 metres thence on the east by western boundaries of the North Coast Road being straight lines bearing 192 degrees 18 minutes for 99 and 10/100 metres 196 degrees 6 minutes for 131 and 15/100 metres 190 degrees 11 minutes for 105 and 16/100 metres and 200 degrees 28 minutes for 58 and 19/100 metres thence on the south by a straight line bearing 283 degrees 21 minutes for 95 metres to a point at high-water mark on the said shore of Talili Bay thence generally on the west by the said shore at high-water mark generally northerly for approximately 510 metres to the point of commencement be the said several dimensions all a little more or less.