

# ORDERS IN COUNCIL MADE UNDER THE NATIVE TAXES ORDINANCE, 1917-1936, ESTABLISHING TAXABLE DISTRICTS AND FIXING RATES OF TAX.

Particulars of these Orders in Council are set out in the Table below, and the Orders in Council are printed immediately after the Table. The Table does not contain any reference to numerous Orders in Council, not now in force, made before the Order in Council dated 27.3.1939 and published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.* of 5.4.1939.

### TABLE.

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18.3.1941 <sup>(a)</sup>	28.3.1941	Reducing taxes as from 1.7.1940 to ten shillings for specified villages in S.E.D.	3458
19.8.1941 <sup>(a)</sup>	3.9.1941	Fixing taxes for Rossel Island, S.E.D. for year ending 30th June, 1942 at 5/-	3458

(a) These Orders in Council affect the Order in Council dated 27.3.1939 and published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.* of 5.4.1939, by altering the rates of tax for particular areas. Two of the Orders in Council fix the rate of tax for a specified period only, and no instrument fixing the rates of tax generally for all districts for the years beginning 1.7.1940, and 1.7.1941, has been published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.*

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TEXT OF ORDERS IN COUNCIL.

[Order in Council dated 27th March, 1939, and published in Papua Govt. Gaz. of 5th April, 1939.]

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

PRESENT: THE ACTING LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

*Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1936.*

TAXABLE DISTRICTS.

ORDERED:—

“That for the year beginning the 1st July, 1939, the Taxable Districts and the rates of tax shall be as follows:—

NORTHERN DIVISION.

- (1) All the villages on the coast from Mitre Rock to the mouth of the Gira River, in the Northern Division, and all the villages on the Mambare River, Gira River, and Lower Eia River (including the Villages of Boera, Boki, Dabari and Tavi). Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.
- (2) The whole of the Buna District of the Northern Division from Mitre Rock to the Village of Biama on the coast in Oro Bay but excluding the following villages:— Ajora, Serapi, Ere, Bofu, Inonda, Jawaia of the Hydrographer's foothills; the Manugalasi Villages; Hiruju, Pendereta, Seva, Euru, Baruta, Tamboroki of the Bofu District; Sageri of the Fufuda Sub-district; Viviseuni, Sehoru, Jegarahambu, Oinoho, Peperi, Johata, Ingodapari, Kukumbata, Naihinda, Haugata, Manininda, Hamburata, Erugata, Apurahambu, Omba, Ahora, Siworota, Haroa of the Huhurundi Sub-district. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.

NORTH-EASTERN DIVISION.

The whole of the North-Eastern Division within three miles of the coast and including the Villages of Foru, Lapa, Oi-Ei, Makaraia, Itoto and Koreaf, and all the islands of the North-Eastern Division. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head, with the exception of the Villages of Vidia, Baiwapa and Gadoa, all in the Baniara District, in which tax to be at the rate of Five shillings per head.

EASTERN DIVISION.

- (1) All that part of the coast-line of the Eastern Division, and three miles inland, that extends from Cape Frere to Cape Ducie. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.

- (2) All that part of the coast-line of the Eastern Division and three miles inland that extends from Cape Ducie to Macfarlane Harbour and including all the islands within ten miles of the said coast-line and the villages on Marshall's Lagoon but excluding the Villages of Iniado, Badubadu and Gorumeda in Cloudy Bay and the Village of Magori on the Bailebo River. Tax to be at the rate of Twenty shillings per head.
- (3) All that portion of the Eastern Division comprised in the islands lying within the following boundaries:—Commencing at East Cape; and bounded thence on the North by a line bearing East to the meridian 151 degrees 30 minutes of East longitude; thence on the East by that meridian bearing South to the parallel of 11 degrees South latitude; thence on the South by that parallel bearing West to the meridian 150 degrees 30 minutes of East longitude; thence on the West by that meridian bearing North to its intersection with the coast of the mainland; thence on the North-West by the coast-line bearing North-Easterly to the most Eastern point of the mainland in China Strait; and thence by a straight line to the point of commencement. Tax to be at the rate of Twenty shillings per head.
- (4) (i) The whole coast of Normanby Island and one mile inland. Tax to be at the rate of Five shillings per head.  
(ii) The islands of Dobu and Nekumara. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.  
(iii) All those parts of Fergusson Island as specified below:—
  - (a) The coastal villages from Pagalulu near Iamelele to Gomwa but excluding Gomwa. Tax to be at the rate of Five shillings per head.
  - (b) The coastal villages from Gomwa to Numanuma group of villages inclusively. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.
- (iv) Sanaroa Island. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.
- (v) The coastal villages of Goodenough Island and four miles inland. Tax to be at the rate of Five shillings per head.
- (vi) Wagifa Island. Tax to be at the rate of Five shillings per head.

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### SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION.<sup>(1)</sup>

The whole of the South-Eastern Division with the exception of Kawa Island, Simsim Island, Nasikwabu (Alcester Group) and the Laughlin Islands. Tax to be at the rate of Twenty shillings per head, with the exception of Sudest and the islands of the Calvados Chain for which tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head, and with the exception of the Trobriand Islands for which tax shall be as follows for the villages specified, namely:—

- (i) Mulosaida, Kavataria, Oiweoa, Teavi, Tokwaukwa, Obulaku, Loia, Bodela, Korpila, Kawola, Glibu, Okinai, Vakuta, Kaulaka, Gumilababa, Osaisuia, Kapwapu, Kadukwaikela. Tax to be at the rate of Fifteen shillings per head.<sup>(2)</sup>
- (ii) Ilalima, Kaituvi, Kwabula, Okupukopu, Wasapola (Luba), Okaiaula, Sinaketa, Idaliaka, Iolauota, Kaibola, Kapwani, Kasanai, Kaulikwau, Labai, Luia, Lebola,<sup>(3)</sup> Liluta, Luebila, Tauwema,<sup>(3)</sup> Mtaua, Obweria, Omarakana, Tuma, Uwada, Wasapola (Kiriwina), Wawela, Wakailua. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.
- (iii) Siviagila, Olivilevi, Oliesi, Bau, Lobua, Boitalu, Okobobo, Deagila, Mwataua, Gumilabwaga, Oboada, Ialumugwa, Kabalulu, Kabwaku, Okai-boma, Kadukwaibilia, Okaikoda, Kaulagu, Koma, Kuiuwa, Kulua, Kuluvitu, Kauwakena, Kaduwaga, Libutima, Moligilagi, Liagi, Ialaka, Osiwasiwa, Wabutima, Wagaluma, Wakaisa, including Madoia, Buduailaka, Bulakwa, Bwatavaiia, Kaisiga, Kwaibwaga, Kamamala, Tilakaiwa, Toboada. Tax to be at the rate of Five shillings per head.

### CENTRAL DIVISION.

- (1) All that part of the coast-line and three miles inland from Gaile Village (but excluding Gaile Village) to the boundary of the Abau District. Tax to be at the rate of Twenty shillings per head.
- (2) All that part of the Port Moresby District that extends from the mouth of the Ethel river to Gaile Village inclusively and one mile inland, including the Village of

(1) Affected by Order in Council dated 19.8.1941 and published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.* of 3.9.1941, referred to in the Table printed on p. 3451.

(2) Affected by Order in Council dated 18.3.1941 and published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.* of 28.3.1941, referred to in the Table printed on p. 3451.

(3) Affected by Order in Council dated 2.7.1940 and published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.* of 11.7.1940, referred to in the Table printed on p. 3451.

Tatana. Tax to be at the rate of Twenty shillings per head.

- (3) All that portion of the Mekeo District called the Nara District comprising the Villages of Oroï, Ala-Ala, Diu-mana, Kiru, Tubu, Larime and Vanuamai. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.
- (4) All that portion of the Central Division called the Kabadi District comprising the Villages of Pinu (or Vanua-paka), Matapaili, Kopuana, Koi-ea, Koiana, Keveona, Maubadina, Ukaukana, Mava and Aururu. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.
- (5) All that portion of the Mekeo District of the Central Division that is bounded by the waters of the sea and by the following lines, that is to say:—

Beginning on the seashore at Cape Possession; thence by a straight line to the Village of Ifa-Ifa; thence by a straight line to the Village of Inavauni; thence by a straight line to the mouth of the Ethel River; thence by the seashore to the point of commencement and including Yule Island. Tax to be at the rate of Twenty shillings per head with the exception of the Villages of the Waima and Kivori Districts in which tax will be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.

#### GULF DIVISION.<sup>(4)</sup>

All that part of the Gulf Division which extends from Cape Possession to Alele Passage and six miles inland including the Village of Popo but excluding the Lorabada Villages of Lau and Uriri; the Muru group of villages and the Villages of Paivera, Paripoko, Kwaipea and Aroaro. Tax to be at the rate of Twenty shillings per head, with the exception of Haiali Village and the Opao, Silo, Uamai and Karama groups of villages; Popo Village, in which tax will be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.

#### WESTERN DIVISION.<sup>(5)</sup>

- (1) All that part of the Western Division within one mile of the banks of the Fly River, commencing at a point approximately 8.50 South latitude; thence North-westward as far as and including the Baramura Villages; thence across the Fly River to the North bank opposite

(4) Affected by Order in Council dated 25.6.1940 and published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.* of 3.7.1940, referred to in the Table printed on p. 3451.

(5) Affected by Order in Council dated 5.3.1940 and published in *Papua Govt. Gaz.* of 3.4.1940, referred to in the Table printed on p. 3451.

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Doumori Island; thence Eastward as far as the mouth of the Bamu, and including all the islands of the Fly River estuary within these limits, with the exception of Sumogi Island; and also that part of the Western Division at the mouth of the Bamu River known as Dibiri Island. Tax to be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.

- (2) All that part of the Western Division within one mile of the coast from Witaroturi Creek Southward to Parama Point; thence South-westward as far as Mabudauan Hill. Tax to be at the rate of Fifteen shillings per head excluding the Dorogori Villages, in which villages the tax will be at the rate of Ten shillings per head.

NATIVE LABOURERS.

The tax to be paid by native labourers for the year commencing 1st July, 1939 shall be fixed at Ten shillings."

Made in Executive Council this twenty-seventh day of March, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

Executive Council Minute,  
No. 2 of 10/1939.

L. H. HILDER,  
Clerk of Executive Council.

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[Order in Council dated 19th April, 1939, and published in Papua Govt. Gaz. of 3rd May, 1939.]

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Present: The Acting Lieutenant-Governor in Council.  
*Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1936.*

NATIVE TAXATION, WANIGELA VILLAGE, ABAU DISTRICT, E.D.

ORDERED:

"That Wanigela Village, Abau District, E.D., to be exempted from tax for the year ending 30th June, 1939."

Made in Executive Council this nineteenth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

Executive Council Minute,  
No. 9 of 15/1939.

L. H. HILDER,  
Clerk of Executive Council.

**[Order in Council dated 5th March, 1940, and published in Papua  
Govt. Gaz. of 3rd April, 1940.]**

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Present: The Acting Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

*Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1936.*

ORDERED:—

“That villages of Sogoi, Urio and Iwui (Wagumi) Western  
Division, to be exempted from tax until further order.”

Made in Executive Council this fifth day of March, One thousand  
nine hundred and forty.

Executive Council Minute,  
No. 10 of 8/1940.

L. H. HILDER,  
Clerk of Executive Council.

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**[Order in Council dated 25th June, 1940, and published in Papua  
Govt. Gaz. of 3rd July, 1940.]**

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Present: The Acting Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

*Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1936.*

ORDERED:—

“That the tax of the Gulf Division be reduced to Ten shillings  
for the year 1940-1941.”

Made in Executive Council this twenty-fifth day of June, One  
thousand nine hundred and forty.

Executive Council Minute,  
No. 4 of 27/1940.

L. H. HILDER,  
Clerk of Executive Council.

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**[Order in Council dated 2nd July, 1940, and published in Papua  
Govt. Gaz. of 11th July, 1940.]**

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Present: The Acting Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

*Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1936.*

NATIVE TAXATION—TROBRIAND ISLANDS, SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION.

ORDERED:—

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“Tax of Tawema and Lebola Villages to be at the rate of Five shillings per annum for financial year 1938-1939, and thereafter until further order.”

Made in Executive Council this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and forty.

Executive Council Minute,  
No. 4 of 28/1940.

L. H. HILDER,  
Clerk of Executive Council.

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[Order in Council dated 18th March, 1941, and published in Papua Govt. Gaz. of 28th March, 1941.]

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Present: The Administrator in Council.

*Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1936.*

ORDERED:—

“That the fifteen shillings tax for the villages of Mulosaida, Kavataria, Oiweoa, Teavi, Tokwaukwa, Obulaku, Loia, Bodela, Korpoila, Kawola, Glibu, Okinai, Vakuta, Kaulaka, Gumilababa, Osaisuia, Kapwapu, and Kudakwaikela, of the South-Eastern Division, be reduced to Ten Shillings, as from the first day of July, 1940”.

Made in Executive Council this eighteenth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one.

Executive Council Minute,  
No. 10 of 10/1941.

T. B. LOWNEY,  
Acting Clerk of Executive Council.

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[Order in Council dated 19th August, 1941, and published in Papua Govt. Gaz. of 3rd September, 1941.]

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Present: The Administrator in Council.

*Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1936.*

ORDERED:—

“That the recommendation of the Acting Resident Magistrate, South-Eastern Division, is approved: taxes for Rossel Island for the year ending 30th June, 1941, be remitted and that tax for the year ending 30th June, 1942, be at the rate of Five shillings.”

Made in Executive Council this nineteenth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one.

Executive Council Minute,  
No. 7 of 37/1941.

I. McARTHUR,  
Acting Clerk of Executive Council.