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Plant Disease and Control Act 1953 (Chapter 220)

**VARIATION OF DECLARATION OF JIWAKA, WESTERN HIGHLANDS, SIMBU, EASTERN HIGHLANDS,
ENGA AND SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS PROVINCES AS DESEASE AREAS**

I, Honourable Assik Tommy Tomscoll, MP, Minister for Agriculture and Livestock, by virtue of the powers conferred to me by Section 6 and Section 16 of the *Plant Disease and Control Act 1953 (Chapter 220)* and all other powers enabling me, hereby vary Gazettal No. G167 dated 8th March, 2017 to include other Coffee growing, processing and distributing Provinces in Papua New Guinea as Disease areas;

1. Declare Jiwaka, Western Highlands, Chimbu, Eastern Highlands, Southern Highlands, Enga and all other Coffee growing, processing and distribution areas and Provinces in Papua New Guinea as "Disease Area" due to an incursion of coffee berry borer (*Hyothenemus hampei*).
2. Prohibit the movement of coffee cherries, parhment and green beans with moisture content above 11% and alternative conveyances of CBB out of the "Disease Areas" into non-infested areas of Jiwaka, Enga, Southern Highlands, Western Highlands, Chimbu and Eastern Highlands Provinces and other coffee growing, processing and distribution areas and Provinces of Papua New Guinea.
3. Destroy all infested coffee bean and coffee plants in the "Disease Areas"
4. Authorise the Chief Inspector of Plants to make any declarations within the "Disease Area" as required under the *Plant and Disease Control Act 1953 (Chapter 220)* for the effective control and management of the pest.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 2017.

T. TOMSCOLL,
Minister for Agriculture and Livestock.