CONDOMINIUM DES NOUVELLES-HEBRIDES NEW HEBRIDES CONDOMINIUM

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To provide for the taking of a census.

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MADE by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 2 and Article 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol of 1914.

1. It shall be lawful for the Resident Commissioners to make Joint Rules—

Rules

- (a) directing that a census be taken of the inhabitants of the New Hebrides;
- (b) prescribing the time in relation to which the particulars required by the census shall be stated.
- (c) prescribing the dates between which the census is to be taken;
- (d) appointing Directors of Census and prescribing their powers;
- (e) providing for the division of the New Hebrides into districts and areas for the purpose of the census;
- (f) providing for the appointment or engagement of persons to assist in the taking of the census, whether as field supervisors, enumerators, or otherwise and for the assignment to them of their duties;
- (g) prescribing the persons by whom and in respect to whom the returns for the purpose of this Regulation are to be made;
- (h) requiring the person in charge of any institution, whether public or private, to make returns in respect of the inmates thereof;
- (i) prescribing the particulars to be stated on the census returns;
 - Provided that no person shall be compelled to state particulars relating to his religion if he objects thereto.
- (j) making provision in respect to any other matters with respect to which it is necessary to make provision for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Regulation.

2. (1) The Directors of Census shall make arrangements and do all such things as are necessary for the taking of a census in accordance with the provisions of this Regulation and for that purpose shall arrange for the preparation and issue of the necessary forms and instructions and for the collection of the forms when completed.

Powers and duties of Directors of Census.

- (2) The Directors of Census shall in the exercise of their powers and the performance of their duties under this Regulation be subject to the control of and comply with any directions given by the Resident Commissioners.
- 3. It shall be lawful for a person who is employed in the taking of the census or who is required in pursuance of the provisions of this Regulation to fill in any return to ask of any other person such questions as may be necessary for obtaining any of the particulars required in pursuance of the provisions of this Regulation and such other person shall to the best of his ability give such information.

Obtaining of information.

4. Upon completion of the census the Directors of Census shall cause the census returns to be checked, edited and coded prior to their transmission to the Census Consultant.

Report.

5. (1) If any person—

Penalties.

- (a) refuses or neglects to comply with or acts in contravention of any of the provisions of this Regulation; or
- (b) being a person required by this Regulation to make, sign, or deliver any document, makes, signs, or delivers, or causes to be made, signed, or delivered, a false document; or
- (c) being a person required in pursuance of this Regulation to answer any question, refuses to answer or gives a false answer to that question; or
- (d) being a person required in pursuance of the provisions of this Regulation to perform any duties in connexion with the taking of the census refuses, without reasonable cause, to carry out his duties;

he shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds or its equivalent in francs at the current rate of exchange or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

- (2) If any person—
- (a) being a person employed in taking a census publishes or communicates without lawful authority to any person otherwise than in the ordinary course of such employment any information acquired by him in the course of his employment; or
- (b) having possession of any information which to his knowledge has been disclosed in contravention of this Regulation, publishes or communicates that information to any other person;

he shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be

liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds or its equivalent in francs at the current rate of exchange or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding one year or to both such fine and imprisonment.

6. This Regulation may be cited as the Joint Census Regulation
No. 7 of 1967 and shall come into operation on the date of its
publication in the Condominium Gazette.

Citation.

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