NEW HEBRIDES CONDOMINIUM

JOINT REGULATION

No. 31 of 1976

TO DECLIRE the 25th day of October 1976 a public holiday in the Santo urban constituency.

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

Declaration of public holiday

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 2 of the Joint Elections (Closing of Premises) Regulation No. 23 of 1975, Monday the 25th day of October 1976 shall be a public holiday within the limits of the Santo urban constituency.

Closing of premises to public

2. It shall be unlawful for any shop, office or commercial or industrial undertaking to remain open for public business on the said 25th of October 1976:

Provided that the foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply with respect to hotels, restaurants, public transport services, stevedoring companies, industrial electricity suppliers or any undertaking or class of undertaking necessary for the maintenance of essential services:

And provided that any shop or other premises may be opened on the said 25th day of October 1976 for the sale of foodstuffs, pharmaceutical or medical supplies and petrol or fuel oil from 7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

Offences

- 3. (1) Any person contravening the provisions of section 2 shall be guilty of an offence punishable upon conviction by a fine not exceeding 60,000 FNH or the equivalent thereof in Australian dollars at the official rate of exchange.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), every director, manager, partner or owner of any undertaking opened for public business in contravention of section 2 shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence unless he shows to the satisfaction of the Court that he did not wilfully or negligently authorise or permit such opening of the premises.

Citation and commencement

4. This Regulation may be cited as the Joint Elections (Public Holiday) Regulation No. 31 of 1976 and shall come into operation on the date of its publication in the Condominium Gazette.

MADE at Vila this twenty-second day of October, 1976.

The Resident Commissioner for the French Republic

Her Britannic Majesty's Resident Commissioner

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