

THE SALE OF APIA NATIVE LAND ORDINANCE, 1923.
Western Samoa.

No. 11, 1923.



An Ordinance

made by the Administrator of the Territory of Western Samoa with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of that Territory, and in pursuance of the Samoa Act, 1921.

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Sale of Apia Native Land Ordinance, 1923.

Native land defined.

2. In this Ordinance "Native land" means land vested in the Crown but held by Samoans by native title, and not by grant from the Crown.

Apia Town area.

3. (1) There shall be an area which shall be called and is in this Ordinance referred to as the Apia Town Area, the boundaries of which shall be from time to time defined by the Administrator by proclamation in the Western Samoa Gazette.

(2) No part of the Apia Town Area shall lie outside of a radius of two miles from the Custom House, Apia.

Native land in Apia Town area alienable with consent of Administrator.

4. Native land within the Apia town area shall with the precedent consent of the Administrator be alienable by way of sale.

Conditions as to proposed sale.

5. Before consenting to any proposed sale of native land the Administrator shall satisfy himself that such proposed sale is in accordance with the desires and interests of the owners of the land and with the public interest.

Sale to operate as sale of Crown Land.

6. Every sale of native land under this Ordinance shall operate as if it were a sale of Crown land but the purchase money therefrom shall be received by the Crown in trust for the owners of the land.

Assented to this 9th day of
November, 1923.

[L.S.] GEO. S. RICHARDSON,

Administrator.

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