

Hon. Mr. Mills.

COOK AND OTHER ISLANDS GOVERNMENT ACT  
AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make Better Provision for the Government of the Cook  
and other Islands. Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand  
5 in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as  
follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is “The Cook and other Islands  
Government Act Amendment Act, 1903”; and it shall form part of  
and be read together with “The Cook and other Islands Government  
10 Act, 1901” (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Act”). Short Title.

2. (1.) The Federal Council as constituted at the passing of  
this Act shall be deemed to be validly constituted, and all Ordinances  
passed by it shall be deemed to have been validly passed, and shall  
have effect according to the tenour thereof. The Federal  
Council.

15 (2.) Notwithstanding anything in section seven of the Act passed  
by the Federal Parliament the Short Title whereof is “The Constitu-  
tion Act 1891 Amendment Act, 1899,” the members of the present  
Federal Council shall remain in office until the thirty-first day of  
December, one thousand nine hundred and four.

20 3. The provisions of section five of “The Cook and other Islands  
Government Act Amendment Act, 1902” (relating to the Customs  
tariff in Niue), shall, *mutatis mutandis*, extend and apply to all the  
said Islands. Modification of  
Customs tariff in  
all the Islands.

25 4. (1.) The Governor may from time to time appoint some fit  
person to administer the Government in the Island of Niue, who  
shall be called “the Resident Commissioner,” and shall have such  
powers and duties as may from time to time be determined by the  
Governor. Resident  
Commissioner  
for Niue.

30 (2.) On such appointment being made, the Resident Commis-  
sioner appointed under the principal Act shall have no power or  
jurisdiction over the Island of Niue.

High Court to have  
no jurisdiction in  
Niue.

5. (1.) The High Court referred to in section four of the principal Act shall have no jurisdiction over the Island of Niue.

(2.) The Governor in Council, with the concurrence of any two or more of the Judges of the Supreme Court, may from time to time make rules providing in what cases appeals shall lie to the Supreme Court from the decision of any Court lawfully held in Niue, and the mode of procedure thereon. 5

Niue not to be  
represented in  
Federal Council.

6. (1.) From and after the passing of this Act the Island of Niue shall not be represented in the Federal Council, nor shall such Council have any authority or jurisdiction over that Island. 10

(2.) All Ordinances heretofore made by the Federal Council are hereby repealed so far as the same affect the Island of Niue.

Public revenues of  
Niue.

7. The public revenue of Niue shall be available only for defraying the cost of the administration and other expenditure in, for, and on behalf of the said Island. 15

Principal Act not  
otherwise affected.

8. Except as provided in this Act, nothing herein shall affect or be deemed to repeal any of the provisions of the principal Act, either as regards the Island of Niue or any other of the Islands referred to in that Act.