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Hon. Mr Thomson

ROYAL NEW ZEALAND AIR FORCE AMENDMENT

ANALYSIS

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Royal New Zealand Air Force Act 1950

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

- 1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Royal New Zealand Air Force Amendment Act 1967, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Royal New Zealand Air Force Act 1950* (hereinafter referred to as the principal 10 Act).
 - **2. Interpretation**—Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended—
- (a) By inserting in the definition of the term "airman", after the words "non-commissioned officer", the words "and also includes a rating of the Naval Forces and a soldier of the Army duly attached or lent to or seconded for service with the Air Force":

*1957 Reprint, Vol. 13, p. 455 Amendments: 1959, No. 27; 1960, No. 88; 1961, No. 97; 1962, No. 99; 1963, No. 113; 1965, No. 55

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(b) By adding to the definition of the term "competent air force authority" the words "and also includes any officer of relative rank of the Naval Forces or the Army duly attached or lent to or seconded for service with the Air Force who is duly authorised by a superior air force authority":

(c) By adding to the definition of the term "field officer" the words "and includes an officer of relative rank of the Naval Forces or the Army duly attached or lent to or seconded for service with the Air Force": 10

- (d) By adding to the definition of the term "noncommissioned officer" (as substituted by section 2 (2) of the Royal New Zealand Air Force Amendment Act 1961) the words "and also includes a rating of the Naval Forces below the rank of petty 15 officer and a non-commissioned officer of the Army below the rank of warrant officer duly attached or lent to or seconded for service with the Air Force":
- (e) By inserting in the definition of the term "superior air force authority", after the words "group captain" 20 wherever they occur, the words "or officer of relative rank of the Naval Forces or the Army duly attached or lent to or seconded for service with the Air Force":
- (f) By inserting in the definition of the term "warrant 25 officer" (as added by section 2 (1) of the Royal New Zealand Air Force Amendment Act 1961), after the words "master aircrew", the words "and includes a chief petty officer or petty officer of the Naval Forces and a warrant officer of the Army 30 duly attached or lent to or seconded for service with the Air Force".
- 3. Period of service in Regular Air Force—Section 11 of the principal Act (as substituted by section 2 (1) of the Royal New Zealand Air Force Amendment Act 1957) is 35 hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(3) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section.-

"(a) An officer or airman of the Regular Air Force whose period of appointment or engagement has expired 40 shall be discharged or transferred to the Air Force Reserve or otherwise released from service with the Regular Air Force with all convenient speed, but shall be liable to continue to serve until that discharge or transfer or release is effected:

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"(b) When the period of appointment or engagement of any officer or airman of the Regular Air Force expires in time of war or other like emergency, the officer or airman concerned shall be liable to continue to serve for such period as the Defence Council, or the Air Board acting pursuant to a delegation by the Council, may require during the continuance of a state of war or other like emergency."

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- "(b) In time of war or other like emergency the Governor-General may, by Proclamation, order that officers and airmen who would otherwise be entitled to be discharged or transferred to the Air Force Reserve by reason of the expiry of their period of appointment or engagement shall be liable to continue to serve, and thereupon those officers and airmen shall be liable to continue to serve for such period as the Defence Council, or the Air Board acting pursuant to a delegation by the Council, may require during the continuance of a state of war or other like emergency."
- 4. Absence from duty without leave—Section 35 of the 25 principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (b), and also from paragraphs (c) and (d), the words "his commanding officer", and substituting in each case the words "a superior officer".