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THE COOK ISLANDS LOCAL DEFENCE FORCE REGULATIONS 1941.

C. L. N. NEWALL, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 9th day of April, 1941.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

PURSUANT to the Cook Islands Act, 1915, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby make the following regulations.

REGULATIONS.

REGULATION 1.—PRELIMINARY.

(1) These regulations may be cited as the Cook Islands Local Defence Force Regulations 1941.

(2) These regulations shall not be in force in the Island of Niue.

(3) In these regulations the term "Army Act" means the Imperial Act called the Army Act, and includes any Act continuing or amending the same and the rules of procedure for the time being in force made under the authority thereof respectively, whether heretofore or hereafter enacted and whether for the time being in force in New Zealand or not.

REGULATION 2.—DEFENCE FORCE MAY BE RAISED.

The Resident Commissioner of Rarotonga may at his discretion raise and maintain an armed Force, to be called the "Cook Islands Local Defence Force," to be used for the purposes of internal police and the local defence of the Cook Islands.

REGULATION 3.—DETAILS OF ORGANIZATION.

In respect of the said Force the Resident Commissioner shall from time to time, by notice published by him in such manner as he thinks proper, determine—

- (a) What persons shall be eligible to serve :
- (b) Terms of enlistment and service :
- (c) Uniforms to be worn:
- (d) Equipment to be used:
- (e) Rates of pay and allowances.

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REGULATION 4.—APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

The Resident Commissioner may appoint such officers of any grade as he deems necessary for the control and administration of the said Force.

REGULATION 5.—DISCIPLINE.

In so far as the maintenance of discipline is concerned, the members of the said Force shall at all times during the period for which they have undertaken to serve be subject to the provisions of the Army Act.

REGULATION 6.—GENERAL.

Except as otherwise provided in these regulations, the Army Act shall, in so far as applicable, apply to the said Force.

C. A. JEFFERY, Clerk of the Executive Council.

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