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THE EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE (INTERIM MEASURES FOR NEW ZEALAND FISHING CRAFT) REGULATIONS 1977

DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 26th day of September 1977

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 29 of the Territorial Sea and Exclusive Economic Zone Act 1977, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Exclusive Economic Zone (Interim Measures for New Zealand Fishing Craft) Regulations 1977.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1977.

2. Interpretation-In these regulations,-

"Trawling" means drawing a net (not being a Danish seine net) by one or more craft under way:

"Trawl net" means a net used for trawling.

3. Limitations as to areas in which fishing craft may trawl—(1) No New Zealand fishing craft shall use for fishing any trawl net in any area specified in the Schedule to these regulations.

(2) This regulation shall expire with the 31st day of December 1977.

4. Offences—(1) Where any New Zealand fishing craft is used for fishing in contravention of regulation 3 of these regulations, each of them the master and every other crew member of the craft commits an offence against these regulations.

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(2) Every master of a New Zealand fishing craft who commits an offence against these regulations is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000.

(3) Every crew member of a New Zealand fishing craft (other than the master) who commits an offence against these regulations is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500.

(4) Every offence that is committed against these regulations shall be deemed to have been committed in New Zealand.

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Areas Closed to Trawling by New Zealand Fishing Craft Until 1 January 1978

1. So much of the area enclosed by a circle, having as its centre Puysegur Point (being 46° 09.5' S and 166° 36.5' E) and having a radius of 45 nautical miles, as lies beyond the outer limits of the territorial sea of New Zealand.

2. The area enclosed by a line commencing at a point 46° 42.4' S and 169° 49.00' E; and then proceeding directly through an easterly direction to a point 46° 42.4' S and 170° 32.5' E; and then proceeding directly through a south-westerly direction to a point 48° 20.00' S and 168° 05.00' E; and then proceeding directly through a westerly direction to a point 48° 20.00' S and 168° 52.00' E; and then proceeding directly through a north-easterly direction to the first-mentioned point.

P. G. MILLEN, Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations contain interim measures which will take effect from 1 October 1977 in relation to New Zealand fishing craft engaged in fishing beyond the territorial sea of New Zealand but within 200 miles of the baseline of the territorial sea.

The effect of the regulations is to close the 2 areas specified in the Schedule to New Zealand fishing trawlers from 1 October 1977 until the end of this year. The regulations also impose penalties for breaches of their provisions.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.