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FISHERIES (SOUTH-EAST AREA COMMERCIAL FISHING) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 1997

MICHAEL HARDIE BOYS, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 24th day of February 1997

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 89 of the Fisheries Act 1983 and sections 297 and 298 of the Fisheries Act 1996, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Amendment Regulations 1997, and are part of the Fisheries (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986* ("the principal regulations").

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S.R. 1986/219
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1986/254
Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1988/105
Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1988/320
Amendment No. 5: S.R. 1988/322
Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1988/322
Amendment No. 6: S.R. 1991/32
Amendment No. 6: S.R. 1991/33
Amendment No. 7: (Revoked by S.R. 1991/163)
Amendment No. 7: (Revoked by S.R. 1991/163)
Amendment No. 7: (Revoked by S.R. 1991/163)
Amendment No. 9: (Revoked by S.R. 1991/163)
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1992/2146
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1992/2146
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1992/244
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1993/48
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1993/355
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1993/282
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1995/285
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1995/286
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1995/286
Amendment No. 20: S.R. 1995/286
Amendment No. 21: S.R. 1995/282

(2) These regulations come into force on 1 March 1997.

2. Closed season for Chatham Islands rock lobster fishery—The principal regulations are amended by inserting, after regulation 8A, the following regulation:

"8B. No commercial fisher may—

- "(a) Take any rock lobster from the waters of the Chatham Islands rock lobster fishery during the months of March and April in any year; or
- "(b) Fish using any rock lobster pot in those waters during those months; or
- "(c) Be in possession of any rock lobster that is taken from those waters during those months."

MARIE SHROFF, 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 amend the Fisheries (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986 by imposing an annual closure of the Chatham Islands rock lobster fishery during the months of March and April.

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