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**THE MATRIMONIAL CAUSES (WAR MARRIAGES)
ORDER 1950**

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington, this 24th day of
May, 1950

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Matrimonial Causes (War Marriages) Act, 1947, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby make the following Order.

ORDER

1. This Order may be cited as the Matrimonial Causes (War Marriages) Order 1950.

2. The 1st day of June, 1950, is hereby appointed to be the appointed day for the purposes of the Matrimonial Causes (War Marriages) Act, 1947.

T. J. SHERRARD,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

[This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general effect.]

1. This Order appoints 1st June, 1950, to be the appointed day for the purposes of the Matrimonial Causes (War Marriages) Act, 1947.

2. That Act extends the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in relation to certain marriages celebrated between 3rd September, 1939, and the appointed day by enabling the wives to petition for divorce in New Zealand notwithstanding that they lost their New Zealand domicile by reason of their marriage to persons domiciled outside New Zealand.

3. The Act also provides for the recognition of certain American decrees dissolving marriages celebrated during the above-mentioned period, and, in the case of certain marriages celebrated during that period, reduces from three years to one year the period of desertion or separation required as a ground for divorce in New Zealand.

4. Proceedings in New Zealand invoking the extended jurisdiction can be commenced at any time not later than five years after the appointed day.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act, 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Justice.