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Military Service Act, 1916.—Constitution of Native Recruiting Districts.

WHEREAS by Proclamation dated and gazetted on the 26th June, 1917, the provisions of the Military Service Act, 1916 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), were extended, with certain modifications, so as to provide for the compulsory calling-up of Natives for military service with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force: And whereas by section 32 of the said Act it is provided that the Minister of Defence may, for the purposes of that Act, by order signed by him, divide New Zealand into such recruiting districts as he thinks fit:

Now, therefore, I, James Allen, Minister of Defence for the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby, in pursuance of the authority so conferred upon me, order and declare as follows:—

1. For the purposes of the said Act in its application to the Native Expeditionary Force Reserve as constituted by the aforesaid Proclamation, New Zealand is hereby divided into seven recruiting districts under the designations set out in the Schedule hereto, and hereinafter referred to as Native recruiting districts.

2. Each such Native recruiting district shall comprise the counties and other areas named or described in the Schedule hereto as comprised in that district.

3. Each such Native recruiting district shall comprise all cities, boroughs, and town districts which are included within the exterior boundaries of any county comprised in that district.

4. Each such Native recruiting district shall comprise all cities, boroughs, and town districts which are contiguous to the exterior boundary of any county comprised in that district, or which are contiguous to any other city, borough, or town district comprised in that district.

5. If any city, borough, or town district is so situated that the application of the foregoing provisions would place it in two or more Native recruiting districts, such city, borough, or town district shall form part of such one of those Native recruiting districts as bears the lowest distinguishing number in the Schedule hereto.

6. For the purposes of the foregoing provisions, a city, borough, or town district shall be deemed to be contiguous to the boundary of a county or of another city, borough, or town district notwithstanding the fact that it is separated therefrom by a river, stream, or highway.