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## NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY.

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## Purchase of Butter by the Government.

WHEREAS it was notified in the New Zealand Gazette of the 19th March, 1919, that the New Zealand Government was prepared to purchase, for and on behalf of His Majesty's Government of the United Kingdom, the whole of the exportable surplus of butter manufactured in New Zealand during the period commencing on the 1st day of August, 1918, and ending on the 31st day of July, 1920, at the prices and on the terms and conditions therein set forth:

And whereas, in pursuance of the said notice, certain purchases of butter have been made by the New Zealand Government on behalf of His Majesty's Government of the United Kingdom, and certain further supplies of butter are now in the grading stores pending the purchase thereof as aforesaid :

And whereas it appears that all butter being the manufacture of the season commencing on the 1st day of August, 1918, and ending on the 31st day of July, 1919, and not already in the grading stores, together with a certain proportion of the butter already in the grading stores, is required for local consumption within New Zealand, and therefore is not exportable surplus within the meaning of the aforesaid notice :

Now, therefore, it is hereby publicly notified, for the information of butter-manufacturers and of all other persons concerned, that no butter of a quality fit for local consumption will hereafter be made the subject of purchase by the Government or of advances by the Government under the aforesaid notice gazetted on the 19th day of March, 1919, unless it is in the grading stores on the day of the date of this present notice.

And, further, that no butter of a quality fit for local consumption and already in the grading stores on the day of this present notice, on which no advance has heretofore been made by the Government, will be made the subject of Government purchase or advance as aforesaid except such proportion thereof as in the opinion of the Controller of the Department of Imperial Government Supplies is not required for local consumption and is exportable surplus accordingly.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1919.

D. H. GUTHRIE,

Acting Minister in Charge, Department of Imperial Government Supplies.