

Taxes, fees, and assessments to continue until abolished.

377. All taxes, fees, duties, and assessments whatsoever (other than duties of Customs and export duties) in force in Samoa at the commencement of this Order shall continue to be in force there until abolished by Ordinance or Order in Council.

Property of German Government to vest in His Majesty.

378. His Majesty the King is hereby declared to be the successor in title to all the property and proprietary rights whatsoever of the Government of Germany in respect of the Territory of Western Samoa, and all such property and rights are hereby vested in His Majesty accordingly for the public purposes of the Government of that Territory.

Continuance of corporate bodies.

379. Save so far as may be otherwise provided by any regulation or Ordinance, all incorporated companies and other bodies corporate existing at the commencement of this Order, and incorporated in Samoa under laws theretofore in force in the Territory, shall continue to exist with the same constitution and organization as at the commencement of this Order.

Appointments.

380. All appointments authorized by this or any other Order may be made at any time after the making of the authorizing Order, but shall not take effect until the commencement thereof.

Military government to continue until commencement of Order.

381. (1.) Until the commencement of this Order the Military Government of Samoa as established and existing during the recent war with Germany shall continue to exist, and such Government shall be deemed to have at all times existed, with full authority of law notwithstanding the termination of the said war, and all the acts of that Government and of the officers thereof, whether during or after the said war, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

(2.) This clause shall take effect on the passing of this Order.

Debts, liabilities, and assets of the Military Administration of Samoa.

382. (1.) All debts and liabilities incurred by the Crown in respect of the administration of Samoa before the commencement of this Order and outstanding at the date of such commencement, other than debts and liabilities incurred in the maintenance of the New Zealand (Samoa) Expeditionary Force, shall be payable out of the Samoan Treasury.

(2.) All moneys and other property which at the commencement of this Order belong to the Crown in respect of the administration of Samoa, or which thereafter come into the possession of the Crown in respect of such administration prior to the commencement of this Order, other than moneys or property held by the Crown in respect of the New Zealand (Samoa) Expeditionary Force, shall belong to the Crown in right of the Territory of Samoa, and shall be subject to the provisions of this Order accordingly.

Schedules.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

LIMITS OF THE TERRITORY OF WESTERN SAMOA.

THE islands of Upolu and Savaii in the South Pacific Ocean, together with all other islands adjacent thereto and lying between the 13th and 14th degrees of south latitude and the 171st and 173rd degrees of longitude west of Greenwich.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

FORM OF DECLARATION.

I, A. B. [*Insert place of abode and occupation or description*], do solemnly and sincerely declare [*Insert facts*]. And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Order in Council of the Executive Government of New Zealand entitled the Samoa Constitution Order, 1920.

A. B.

Declared at _____, in Western Samoa, this _____ day of _____, 19 _____, before me.

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Judge of the High Court of Western Samoa [*or Collector of Customs of Western Samoa, or Medical Officer of Western Samoa, or Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, or otherwise, as the case may be*].