

European either by birth or by registration as aforesaid: And whereas it is expedient to make regulations accordingly for the registration as Europeans of persons belonging by mixed descent to the Polynesian race:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of that Dominion, and in pursuance of the authority to make laws for the peace, order, and good government of the Territory of Western Samoa conferred upon him by the Western Samoa Order in Council, 1920, made by His Majesty on the eleventh day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty, under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, and in further pursuance of clause four of the Samoa Constitution Order, 1920, doth hereby make the following regulations with respect to a Register of Europeans in Samoa; and doth hereby declare that the said regulations shall come into force in the Territory on the same day as the Samoa Constitution Order, 1920.

#### REGULATIONS.

1. THESE regulations may be cited as the Samoa Registration of Europeans Regulations, 1920.

2. It shall be the duty of the Registrar of the High Court, as soon as practicable after the coming into force of these regulations, to prepare, in such manner as may be approved by the Chief Judge of the High Court, a register, to be called the Register of Europeans, wherein shall be entered the names and such other particulars as may be required by the Chief Judge of all persons who at the time of the coming into operation of these regulations are registered as foreigners in accordance with the laws theretofore in force in the Territory.

3. Any Samoan who is not of pure descent from the Polynesian race may, by way of petition, apply to the High Court for inclusion in the Register of Europeans.

4. The Chief Judge of the High Court shall hear and determine such petition on the personal appearance of the applicant, and may, if he thinks fit, and if he is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to be registered as a European in accordance with these regulations, make an order for such registration accordingly.

5. In making an order for such registration the Court shall be satisfied—

- (a.) That the applicant, if a male, has attained the age of eighteen years, or, if a female, has attained the age of fourteen years:
- (b.) That the applicant is able to read a printed passage of not less than one hundred words in the English language, to be selected by the Court.
- (c.) That the registration of the applicant as a European is consistent with his own interest and with the public interest.

6. Upon such an order for registration being made as aforesaid the Registrar shall enter the name and description of the applicant in the Register of Europeans.

7. On the application of the Administrator, or an officer of the Samoan Public Service in that behalf authorized by the Administrator, the name of any person included in the Register of Europeans may be ordered to be removed therefrom by the Chief Judge of the High Court on such cause being shown and such evidence adduced as shall to him seem sufficient, and upon any such order being made the Registrar shall remove such name accordingly.

8. All persons whose names appear for the time being in the Register of Europeans established by these regulations shall be deemed to be registered as Europeans within the meaning of clause four of the Samoa Constitution Order, 1920.

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