

become the liabilities of the Government of New Zealand, and the amount thereof shall be paid out of the Samoan Crown Estates Account accordingly.

18. All investments which at the coming into operation of this Order are in the possession of the Military Government of Samoa, and represent the proceeds of the administration by that Government of any property which by this Order becomes vested in the Crown, shall by virtue of this Order become the property of the Crown in right of the Government of New Zealand, and shall be disposed of as the Minister of External Affairs directs. The income of such investments and the proceeds of the disposition of such investments shall be paid into the Samoan Crown Estates Account.

19. If any such investments consist of bonds, debentures, inscribed stock, or other securities of the New Zealand Government, such securities shall on the coming into operation of this Order be deemed to be discharged and cancelled, and the New Zealand Treasury shall take action accordingly.

20. All property (other than the aforesaid lands, moneys, and investments) which at the coming into operation of this Order are in the possession of the Military Government of Samoa, in its capacity as administering the properties which by virtue of this Order become Samoan Crown estates, shall become the property of the Crown in right of the Government of New Zealand, and shall be disposed of by the Commissioner of Crown Estates in such manner as the Minister of External Affairs directs, and the proceeds of such property or of the disposition thereof shall be paid into the Samoan Crown Estates Account.

21. If any such property as is referred to in the last preceding clause is in the opinion of the Administrator required for the purposes of the Government of Samoa the Commissioner of Crown Estates may, with the approval of the Minister of External Affairs, transfer that property to the Government of Samoa on the payment of the value thereof, as agreed upon between the Commissioner and the Administrator, into the Samoan Crown Estates Account.

22. If any question arises as to whether any revenues or other moneys are payable into the Samoan Treasury or into the Samoan Crown Estates Account, or as to whether any expenditure is chargeable on the Samoan Treasury or on the Samoan Crown Estates Account, the question shall be determined by the Controller and Auditor-General, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

23. Nothing in this Order shall affect the title to any land which before the commencement of this Order has been alienated by the Military Government of Samoa, and every such alienation is hereby confirmed.

24. Roads over the Samoan Crown estates may be proclaimed by the Administrator in pursuance of the Samoa Constitution Order, 1920, in the ordinary course in the same manner and with the same effect as if such estates were ordinary Crown land in Samoa.

25. Subject to the provisions of this Order, all the provisions of the Samoa Constitution Order, 1920, and of any other Order in Council in force in Samoa with respect to Crown land or to the property, rights, and obligations of the Crown, shall apply to the Samoan Crown estates and to all other property, rights, and obligations which are subject to this Order, in the same manner as if such estates, property, rights, and obligations were those of the Crown in right of the Government of Samoa.

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