

Declaring certain Land in Samoa to be free from Native Title.

[L.S.] JELlicoe, Governor-General.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land described in the Schedule hereunder was Native Land in Samoa within the meaning of the Samoa Act, 1921 :

And whereas the freehold of the said land has been purchased from the Native owners by His Majesty the King, and the purchase-money has been duly paid to the Native owners :

And whereas by section two hundred and eighty-two of the Samoa Act, 1921, it is provided that a Proclamation by the Governor-General that any land vested in the Crown is free from Native title shall in all Courts and in all proceedings be accepted as conclusive proof of the fact so proclaimed :

Now, therefore, in pursuance and in exercise of the power and authority so conferred upon me by section two hundred and eighty-two of the Samoa Act, 1921, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare the land described in the Schedule hereto, which is vested in the Crown, is free from Native title.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece or parcel of land, containing by measurement half an acre, more or less, situated at Matautu, in the Island of Upolu, in Western Samoa, commonly known as the land of To'omalata'i, and being Parcel 42 of Flur 1 of the District of Tuamasaga, as shown on the maps of the said district in the Survey Office at Apia, Western Samoa.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of that Dominion, this 24th day of October, 1923.

F. H. D. BELL, Minister of External Affairs.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Amending the Samoan Crown Estates Order, 1920.

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 29th day of October, 1923.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

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 regulations for the peace, order, and good government of the Territory of Western Samoa conferred upon him by the Samoa Act, 1921, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, doth hereby order as follows :—

1. This Order may be cited as the Samoan Crown Estates Amendment Order, 1923.

2. If and whenever the Minister of External Affairs is satisfied that any land vested in His Majesty by order made under clause three of the Samoan Crown Estates Order, 1920, has been so vested in error, or that it is desirable in his absolute discretion to restore any such land or any portion thereof to the former owner, he may make an order under his hand and the Seal of Samoa revesting such land or portion in the former owner, and every such order shall have effect according to its tenor, and shall re-vest the land in such former owner for the same estate or interest as such former owner had, and subject to the same encumbrances as existed on the said land immediately prior to the vesting of the land in His Majesty.

C. A. JEFFERY,

Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.