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# STATE LANDS (AMENDMENT) DECREE 2013 (DECREE No. 7 of 2013)

IN exercise of the powers vested in me as President of the Republic of Fiji and the Commander in Chief of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces by virtue of the Executive Authority of Fiji Decree 2009, I hereby make the following Decree—

#### TO AMEND THE STATE LANDS ACT (CAP. 132)

Short title and commencement

- 1.-(1) This Decree may be cited as the State Lands (Amendment) Decree 2013 and shall come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette*.
  - (2) The State Lands Act (Cap. 132) is referred to as the "Act".

Section 6 amended

- 2. Section 6 of the Act is amended by inserting the following new subsection after subsection (5)—
  - "(6) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any i Taukei land which is exchanged for portions of State land under subsection (3) must not be exchanged for portions of private freehold land under subsection (4)."

New section inserted

3. The Act is amended by inserting the following new section after section 28—

"Director of Lands need not be the Surveyor-General

28A. Notwithstanding anything contained in any written law which requires the Director of Lands to perform the functions of the Surveyor-General or to be registered as a surveyor, a person who is not registered as a surveyor may be appointed as Director of Lands, provided however that in such a case, the functions and duties of the Surveyor-General may be performed by another person under the direction and control of the person appointed as Director of Lands."

GIVEN under my hand this 7th day of February 2013.

EPELI NAILATIKAU President of the Republic of Fiji