PAPUA.



No. 2 of 1934.

AN ORDINANCE

To Grant and Apply out of the Revenues of the Territory a Sum for the Purposes of Financial Assistance to Copra Producers.

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[L.S.]

3rd May, 1934.

B^E it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Territory of Papua, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Papua Act*, 1905-1924, as follows:—

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Copra Pro-short title. ducers Assistance Ordinance, 1934.
- 2. In this Ordinance unless the context otherwise Interpretation. indicates—
 - "Assistance" means the financial assistance for copra producers provided by this Ordinance.

"Copra Producer" means any person producing copra for export from coconuts grown by him in the Territory but shall not include a native.

Financial assistance to copra producers. 3. Subject to this Ordinance there shall be payable for the purposes of financial assistance to copra producers during the year commencing the fourth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, the sum of Eight thousand pounds.

Appropriation.

4. Payment of the sum referred to in the preceding section of this Ordinance shall be made at such rate or rates per ton as may be prescribed out of the revenue of the Territory which is hereby appropriated accordingly.

Power to make regulations.

- **5.** (1) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the form and manner of application for assistance;
 - (b) the time for lodging applications for assistance;
 - (c) the method of checking the quantities of copra in respect of which application for assistance has been lodged and the distinguishing marks such copra shall bear and prohibiting the use of such marks for purposes other than this Ordinance;
 - (d) the method of and time for giving assistance;
 - (e) the quality of copra in respect of which assistance is sought;
 - (f) inspection of copra in respect of which assistance is sought;
 - (g) all other matters which it is necessary or convenient to prescribe for carrying out or giving effect to this Ordinance.
- (2) The regulations may provide penalties for breach upon summary conviction not exceeding in any case One hundred pounds or imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding six months.

Penalties.

6. Any person who acts in contravention of any provision of this Ordinance or the Regulations hereunder shall where no penalty is expressly provided be liable upon summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding One hundred pounds or in the alternative to imprisonment for six months with or without hard labour.

- 7. Notwithstanding anything elsewhere contained in Lieutenant-Governor may order that discretion any application for assistance be rejected if the circumstances in his opinion warrant such a course.
- 8. The operation of this Ordinance may be suspended suspension of Ordinance by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by a Proclamation published in the *Gazette* and thereupon the Ordinance shall be suspended either from the date of such publication or from a date specified in the said Proclamation.
 - Passed in Council this third day of May, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

