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THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE ACT (Cap. 58)

THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE (EXEMPTION FROM DUTIES) ORDER 1997

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 7 of the Customs and Excise Act, I, MICHAEL MAINA, Minister of Finance, do hereby make the following order -

- 1. This Order may be cited as the Customs and Excise (Exemption from Duties) Order 1997.
- 2. (1) The items appearing in the Schedule hereto that are brought or imported into Solomon Islands by the Gold Ridge Mining Limited provided that these items or its contractors, sub-tractors or agents are exclusively and necessarily required for the Gold Ridge mining project shall be exempted from customs duties.
- (2) This Order shall apply only in respect of items brought into Solomon Islands prior to the date of commencement of commercial production as defined in the Gold Ridge Mining Agreement.

"SCHEDULE

ITEMS

- (a) all capital items for the mining project; and
- (b) explosives, milling, smelting, refining and welding supplies, mining and milling machinery equipment and fuel."

Dated at Honiara this seventh day of March 1997.

MICHAEL MAINA Minister for Finance