

CONDOMINIUM DES NOUVELLES-HEBRIDES

NEW HEBRIDES CONDOMINIUM

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A JOINT REGULATION

No. 2 of 1917.

to authorise the issue and execution of search warrants in certain cases.

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WHEREAS it is considered necessary to authorise the issue of search warrants for the purpose of proving breaches of the provisions of the Joint Regulation of 4th December, 1907, which prohibits the importation into the New Hebrides of "Trade Spirits".

1. It shall be lawful for the Resident Commissioners to issue warrants to officers of the Revenue and Police Services authorising them to enter into any dwelling house or premises during the hours of the day prescribed by law for the purpose of examining and making search for articles used in the illicit manufacture or distillation of spiritous or intoxicating liquors as described in subsections (a) to (c) of section 1 of the Joint Regulation aforesaid and to seize and remove such articles. In the event of the conviction of the owner or occupier such articles may be forfeited.

Resident Commissioners may issue search warrants.

The search warrants issued to the qualified officers shall bear the signature and seal of the Resident Commissioner by whom they are issued and the habitation and premises to be searched and the full name and description of the owner or occupier thereof shall be clearly set forth therein.

Articles found may be seized. Warrants to be signed and sealed.

Warrants issued in respect of houses or premises in the occupation of British subjects or ressortissants shall be executed by officers as aforesaid of British nationality and those for the search of houses or premises in French occupation shall be executed by officers of French nationality.

Warrants against British subjects to be executed by British officials and vice versa.

2. Any person obstructing an officer entrusted with the execution of a search warrant under the provisions of this Regulation or using abusive language towards him or assaulting him shall be prosecuted before the Joint Court, and shall be liable to pay a fine of twenty pounds in addition to any penalty to which he may be liable under the Law of Great Britain and France.

Penalties for obstructing execution of warrants.

3. This Regulation may be cited for all purposes as the New Hebrides (Search Warrants) Regulation No. 2 of 1917.

Short title.

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Resident Commissioner for  
the French Republic.

(L.S.) M. KING  
His Britannic Majesty's  
Resident Commissioner.