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No. 17 of  
1968.**To control the catching of crayfish (spiny lobsters).**

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MADE by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 2 and Article 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol of 1914.

1. For the purposes of this Regulation the following expressions shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them—

Interpreta-  
tion.

"Crayfish" means a crayfish of the genus *Penulirus* (spiny lobster) an illustration of which is contained in Schedule I to this Regulation;

"protected waters" means—

*To the North:* The parallel 13° South limited to the East by ten meridian 167° 50' East and to the West by the median 166° 20' East.

*To the East:* The meridian 167° 50' East from the point of its intersection with the parallel 13° South to its intersection with the parallel 14° South.

The parallel 14° South to its intersection with the meridian 168° 30' East.

The meridian 168° 30' East to its intersection with the parallel 16° South.

The parallel 16° South to its intersection with the meridian 168° 50' East.

The meridian 168° 50' East from its intersection with the parallel 16° South to its intersection with the parallel 18° South.

The parallel 18° South to its intersection with the meridian 170° 20' East.

The meridian 170° 20' East to its intersection with the parallel 20° 25' South.

*To the South:* The parallel 20° 25' South limited to the East by the meridian 170° 20' East and to the West by the meridian 168° 40' East.

*To the West:* The meridian 166° 20' East from its intersection with the parallel 13° South to its intersection with the parallel 16° 50' South.

The parallel 16° 50' South to its intersection with the meridian 168° East.

The meridian 168° East from its intersection with parallel 16° 50' South to the parallel 18° South.

The parallel 18° South from the meridian 168° East to the meridian 168° 40' East.

The parallel 18° South from the meridian 168° East to the meridian 168° 40' East.

The meridian 168° 40' East from the intersection with parallel 18° South to the parallel 20° 25' South.

The said waters being more particularly delineated on the map contained in Schedule II to this Regulation.

2. (1) No person shall in protected waters catch—

(a) any female crayfish carrying eggs between or attached to the abdominal swimmerets; or

(b) any crayfish the total length of the carapace of which, measured from immediately behind the rostral horns to the rear edge of the carapace in the mid-line, is less than 2½ inches or of which the total length, measured from immediately behind the rostral horns to the rear edge of the telson, is less than 8 inches.

Prohibition  
of capture  
of lobsters.

(2) Without prejudice to the provisions of the immediately preceding subsection of this section no person shall in protected waters catch any crayfish between the 1st day of [November] of any year and the 28th day of February of the following year.

J.R. No. 31  
of 1973.

3. [(1) Any person who acts in contravention of the provisions of this regulation shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding 25,000 FNH or the equivalent in Australian dollars at the official rate of exchange. In the case of a second or subsequent offence the amount of such fine may be doubled.]

Penalties.

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of 1973.

(2) Any person who knowingly sells or purchases any crayfish caught in contravention of the provisions of the immediately preceding section of this Regulation shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred pounds or its equivalent in francs at the current rate of exchange.

4. The District Agents and their representatives within their respective Districts, police officers, members of the Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry and Customs Officers are charged with the execution of this Regulation.

5. The Resident Commissioners may make Joint Rules for the better carrying out of this Regulation.

Rules.

6. This Regulation may be cited as the Joint Control of Crayfish Catching Regulation No. 17 of 1968 and shall come into operation on the date of its publication in the Condominium Gazette. Citation.

Dated at Vila this fourteenth day of December, 1968.

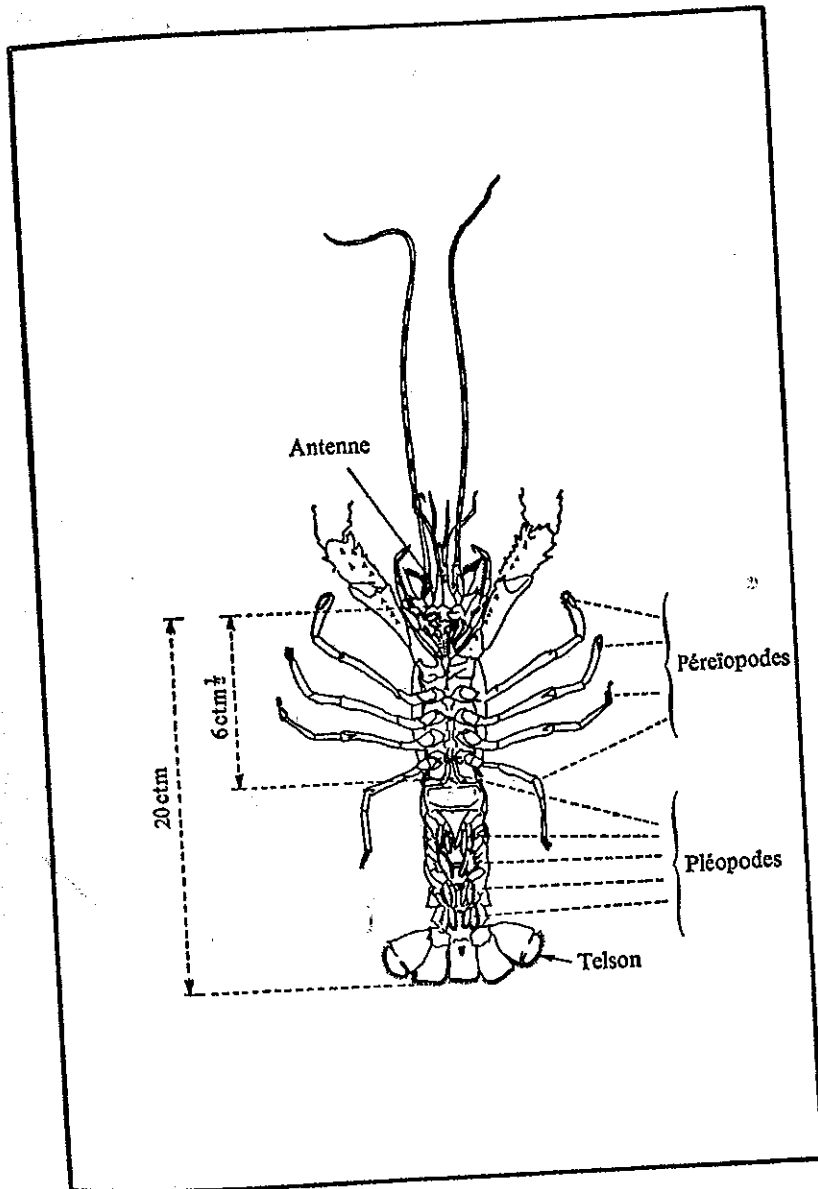
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SCHEDULE I



SCHEDULE II

