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To provide for the control of transport of alcoholic liquor within the Group.

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MADE by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of article 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol of 1914.

1. No alcoholic liquor, as defined in Article 59.3 of the Protocol, shall be carried within the Group on any inter-island or coastal-voyaging vessel, or within an island by any means, unless a permit to do so has previously been obtained from the Joint Administration.

Permits Necessary.

2. Any District Agent may issue a permit to carry alcoholic liquor.

Issue of Permits.

3. The permit to carry alcoholic liquor shall be made out at the request of the person despatching the liquor on a form extracted from a register with counterfoils and shall show—

Details of Permits.

The type and quantity of liquor to be carried; the names of the person despatching it, the person transporting it, the consignee and its destination.

The means of transport including the name of the ship if the transport is by sea, and the registered number of the vehicle if the transport is by land.

The date of the voyage.

The period of validity of the permit.

4. The permit shall be handed by the person despatching the liquor to the person transporting it and by the latter to the consignee, at the same time as the cargo to which it refers.

Permit to accompany liquor to which it refers.

5. Any District Agent, any police officer, any customs officer and any officer so authorised by Joint Decision are authorised officers, empowered to investigate breaches of the provisions of this Regulation, whatever the nationality of the suspected offender.

Authorised Officers.

6. Before loading, the person despatching; during transport, the carrier; and after unloading, the consignee; shall comply with any request by an authorised officer and shall assist him in any investigation of suspected breaches of the regulation.

Facilities to be accorded authorised officers.

7. Any breach of this Regulation shall be subject to an investigation, the record of which shall be sent to the President of the Court of First Instance having jurisdiction in the District. Any liquor carried without a permit shall be seized.

Investigation and seizure.

8. The Court of First Instance shall have jurisdiction over offences against the provisions of this Regulation, whatever the nationality or status of the accused.

Enforcement.

9. Breaches of this Regulation shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding £20 or by imprisonment up to one month or by both. In addition, the Court may order the liquor seized to be confiscated, in which case it shall determine what action shall be taken to dispose of it or to destroy it.

Penalties
and
Confiscation.

10. The following are exempt from the provisions of this Regulation—

Exemptions.

- (a) Liquor being transported on importation into the Group, between dock and store.
- (b) Liquor in small quantities transported by the importer's delivery vehicle or in a private vehicle within a town from an importer's store to a house for personal consumption by the occupier and his family.
- (c) The carriage of a reasonable quantity outside a town either on the person or in a private vehicle for consumption by that person or the passengers in the vehicle on the same day.

11. This Regulation shall be exhibited where necessary.

Dated at Vila this ninth day of January, 1956.

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