

NEW HEBRIDES CONDOMINIUM

JOINT REGULATION

No 13 of 1975

TO CONTROL and suppress and epidemic of Dengue Fever.

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

Establishment
of Public Health
Commissions
in all districts

1. For the purpose of controlling and suppressing an incipient epidemic of Dengue Fever in the New Hebrides, there shall be established a temporary Public Health Commission for each administrative district comprising -

- (a) for Central District No. 1, the Chief Condominium Medical Officer, as Chairman, and up to ten other members appointed by the Resident Commissioners jointly;
- (b) for the remaining districts, a Medical Officer nominated by the Chief Condominium Medical Officer, as Chairman, and up to six other members appointed by the British and French District Agents jointly.

Powers of
Commissions

2. For the purposes aforesaid, each Commission shall have and exercise the powers conferred upon any body or person by the Joint Regulations set out in the Schedule.

Implementation
of Regulation

3. The members of each Commission and all government medical officers and police officers shall be responsible for the implementation of this Regulation.

Special
measures in
emergency

4. If in the opinion of a Commission an emergency due to the prevalence of Dengue Fever exists within its district, the Resident Commissioners shall upon the recommendation of the Commission, by joint decision direct such special measures to be taken during the continuance of the emergency as may be necessary for the protection of the health of the public.

Enforcement
of Regulation,
power of entry

5. It shall be the duty of every member of a Commission, government medical officer and police officer to enforce compliance with this Regulation and with any order, instruction or condition lawfully made, given or imposed under the authority of this Regulation and for such purpose any member, medical officer or police officer aforesaid may board any ship or aircraft and may enter any premises without a warrant.

Offences

6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person who -

(a) commits any offence against the provisions of any Regulation set out in the Schedule; or

(b) wilfully obstructs any member of a Commission, government medical officer or police officer in the lawful execution of his duty under this Regulation; or

(c) fails without reasonable cause to comply with any direction lawfully given to him by any member of a Commission, government medical officer or police officer under this Regulation,

shall be guilty of an offence punishable on conviction by a fine not exceeding 50,000 FNH or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Citation
and
commencement

7. This Regulation may be cited as the Joint Public Health (Dengue Fever) Regulation No. 13 of 1975 and shall upon its publication in the Condominium Gazette come into force for three months from the date thereof.

SCHEDULE

The Joint Quarantine Regulation No. 4 of 1909
The Joint Sanitary Commission Regulation No. 6 of 1929
The Joint Construction of Dwelling Houses Regulation
Regulation No. 6 of 1931
The Joint Public Health Regulation No. 11 of 1938
The Joint Native Sanitation Regulation No. 12 of 1940
The Joint Malaria Control Regulation No. 10 of 1942
The Joint Control of the Construction of Installations
and Use of Equipment Regulation No. 15 of 1965

MADE at Vila this eighteenth day of April 1975.

The Resident Commissioner
for the French Republic

Her Britannic Majesty's
Assistant Resident Commissioner
(in the absence of the Resident
Commissioner, pursuant to the
provisions of s.6 (2) (b) of
the New Hebrides Order in
Council 1922)

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