

CONDOMINIUM DES NOUVELLES-HEBRIDES

NEW HEBRIDES CONDOMINIUM

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JOINT POLICE REGULATION

No. 22 of
1944.

To repress acts committed by natives of a nature to disturb the public peace.

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Issued by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of Article 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol, 1914.

1. Any native found guilty of having, by acts, words or writing, given rise to, or attempted to give rise to a seditious movement, or of having [wilfully] disturbed or attempted to disturb the public peace shall be punished with imprisonment which *may extend up to 10 years* and a fine not exceeding L.20, or by one or other of these penalties.

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2. Any native who shall incite another person to commit a crime or offence shall be punished, if the crime or offence is not carried into effect, with imprisonment of from two to six months and a fine of from L.1 to L.10 or by one or other of these penalties.

If the crime or offence is carried into effect the native guilty of incitement shall be punished by the same penalties as the principal offender.

3. Any native who shall escape or attempt to escape from a prison or any place where he is lawfully confined or who after having been arrested on the charge of having committed a crime or offence shall take to flight, or shall try to take to flight by eluding the custody of the officer in whose charge he is shall be punished with from two to six months imprisonment and a fine of from L.2 to L.10 or one or other of these penalties.

If the escape or flight is accompanied by breach of prison or violence or assault upon native wardens the penalties incurred shall be double the above named penalties.

In such cases the sentence shall be carried into effect immediately after the expiry of the sentences which have been incurred for the crime or offence on account of which the said native has been arrested, or immediately after the order or judgment acquitting him or absolving him from the said crime or offence, without prejudice to the higher penalties to which he may be liable for other crimes committed in the course of his acts of violence.

4. Any native prison warden aids, abets, connives at or negligently allows the escape of a prisoner shall be punishable by imprisonment not exceeding one year or a fine not exceeding L.10 or both.

5. Any native who shall obstruct molest or assault any native officer of the Condominium or the Police force in the performance of his public duties shall be punishable with imprisonment not exceeding two years or a fine not exceeding L.20 or both.

6. Any native who shall not, without valid excuse, appear when [lawfully] summoned by [either Resident Commissioner, any administrative officer assisting either Resident Commissioner in his duties or any District Agent, Commandant of Police or Labour Inspector,] shall be liable to imprisonment of from one to ten days and to a fine of from L.1 to L.5 or to one or other of these penalties.

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7. The District Agents, the Commandants of Police and all other officers authorised thereto are charged with the execution of the present regulation.

8. This Regulation may be cited as the New Hebrides Joint Police Regulations No. 22 of 1944.

Dated at Vila this 6th day of November, 1944.

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