

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

No. 74 of 1935.

(Promulgated 18th November, 1935.)

PROCLAMATION

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

Prohibiting the importation of certain commodities from
Italy and Italian Territory.

Whereas it is deemed expedient to prohibit the importation into the Bechuanaland Protectorate of certain commodities from Italian territory;

Now therefore under and by virtue of the powers in me vested I do hereby declare, proclaim and make known as follows:—

1. (1) The importation into the Bechuanaland Protectorate of all goods (other than gold or silver bullion and coin), consigned from or grown, produced or manufactured in Italian territory from whatever place arriving is prohibited until further notice:

Provided that, subject to the production of such evidence as the Director of Customs may require for ensuring that the provisions of this section are not evaded, this section shall not apply—

- (a) to goods which had, before the date of taking effect of this Proclamation, left the place from which they were last consigned; or
- (b) to goods imported for exportation after transit through the Bechuanaland Protectorate or by way of transshipment; or
- (c) to goods bought and paid for in full on or before the date of taking effect of this Proclamation; or
- (d) to goods being the *bona fide* personal belongings of travellers from Italy or Italian territory; or
- (e) to books, newspapers, periodicals, maps, cartographical productions and printed or engraved music.

(2) If at any time a question arises under this section whether any goods have been consigned from Italian territory or were grown, produced or manufactured in Italian territory, it shall be lawful for the Director of Customs to require the importer to furnish to him in such form as he may direct proof in respect of the country from which the goods were consigned and in which the goods were grown, produced or manufactured, and unless proof is furnished to the satisfaction of the Director of Customs that the goods were consigned from, and grown, produced or manufactured in some country other than Italian territory, the goods shall be deemed to be goods consigned from, or grown, produced or manufactured in, Italian territory.

2. Goods grown or produced in Italian territory which have been subjected to some process in another country and goods manufactured partly in Italian territory and partly in another country will be considered as falling within the scope of the above prohibition unless it is proved to the satisfaction of the Director of Customs that twenty-five per cent. or more of the value of the goods at the time when they left the place from which they were last consigned is attributable to processes undergone since the goods last left Italian territory.

3. Any person who shall contravene or attempt to contravene any provision of this Proclamation or who shall aid or abet any such contravention or attempted contravention shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred pounds and in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a period not exceeding one year or to such imprisonment without the option of a fine or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

4. For the purposes of this Proclamation the expression "Italian territory" shall have the meaning assigned to it in Proclamation No. 65 of 1935.

5. This Proclamation shall have force and take effect from the eighteenth day of November, 1935.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Pretoria this Sixteenth day of November One thousand Nine hundred and Thirty-five.

W. H. CLARK,
High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency the
High Commissioner.

H. E. PRIESTMAN,
Administrative Secretary.