

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.
GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 29 of 1942.
CONTROL OF BUILDING.

It is hereby notified for general information that under the powers vested in me by regulations 3 and 4 of the Annexure to High Commissioner's Notice No. 199 of 1942, I do hereby prohibit, regulate and order as follows:—

In this Notice "Controller", "building", "Utility Service", "Public Utility Authority", "cost" and "authorised officer" shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Annexure to High Commissioner's Notice No. 199 of 1942.

2. No existing building shall be demolished except by the written permission of the Controller or his authorised officer and subject to such conditions as the Controller or his authorised officer may impose.

3. As from the date of publication of this Notice in the *Gazette*, the erection of any building or Utility Service or the alteration, addition or repair to any existing building or addition to any Utility Service in the Territory is hereby prohibited except upon the authority of a permit issued by the Controller or his duly authorised officer, and subject to such conditions as the Controller or his authorised officer may impose.

4. Applications for permits, which shall be in writing, shall be made to the Controller.

5. Applications for permits shall in the first instance be accompanied by the following information:—

- (a) Nature and the location of the projected building or Utility Service or any alterations, additions or repairs to any existing building or additions to any Utility Service.
- (b) A full explanatory statement as to the necessity of the projected building or Utility Service, or any alterations, additions or repairs to any existing building or additions to any Utility Service.
- (c) The estimated cost of the projected building or Utility Service or any alterations, additions or repairs to any existing building or additions to any Utility Service.
- (d) Sketch plans or working drawings (except detail drawings) of the projected building or Utility Service, or any alterations or additions to any existing building or Utility Service.

NOTE.—Until further notice permission to erect any building or Utility Service will be limited to those of the most essential character, and furthermore the use of electrical cable in any projected building will not be permitted except for the most necessitous public requirements.

Any permit issued by the Controller or his authorised officer for the erection of or the alteration, addition or repair to any building or the erection of or addition to any Utility Service shall mean that permission is thereby conveyed to erect or to alter, add to or repair such building or to erect or add to such Utility Service. This permit, however, shall not necessarily imply or in any way carry with it any authority to acquire or use any materials for which permission is required under any other regulations.

6. A fee shall be charged in respect of any permit issued for the erection of any building or any Utility Service at the rate of £1 (one pound) for every £1,000 (one thousand pounds) or any portion thereof of the cost of such building or such Utility Service, and this fee shall be payable before the issue of such permit. Uncancelled revenue stamps representing the value of such fee shall be affixed to such permit and cancelled by the Controller or his duly authorised officer. No permit shall be valid unless such stamps are affixed and

cancelled as aforesaid. This fee, however, shall not be payable by any Government Department or by the Administration of the South African Railways and Harbours.

7. The provisions of the foregoing regulations shall not apply to—

- (a) any building or Utility Service being carried out by any Naval, Military or Air Force or by any Government Department, agent or contractor on behalf of such Force;
- (b) ~~any building or addition to any building the cost of which will not exceed or is not likely to exceed £100.~~
- (c) the alteration or repair of any building the property of the Government, the South African Railways and Harbours Administration, or any Public Utility Authority, as defined, where the cost of such alteration or repair, as the case may be, will not exceed or is not likely to exceed £500;
- (d) the alteration or repair of any building [except such buildings as are the property of the bodies mentioned in the preceding paragraph (c)], where the cost of such alteration or repair, as the case may be, will not exceed or is not likely to exceed £100;
- (e) any Utility Service or addition to any Utility Service, the cost of which will not exceed or is not likely to exceed £1,000;
- (f) any building wholly required for the storage of agricultural products or implements or for the stabling of animals or any farm property, but not including any building capable of being used as a residence by the occupier of any farm.

8. No local authority in whom authority is vested under any law to approve the plans of any projected building or the alteration or addition to any existing building shall, as from the date of publication of this Notice in the *Gazette*, approve such plans until a permit from the Controller or his duly authorised officer has been obtained for the erection of such building or the alteration or addition to any existing building, and it shall be the duty of such local authority to ascertain that such permit has been so obtained prior to such approval being given. Provided, however, that a permit from the Building Controller or his duly authorised officer shall not be necessary where the cost of any projected building or the alteration or addition to any existing building will not exceed or is not likely to exceed £100.

W. G. BRIND,
Building Controller.

Mafeking, 7th October, 1942.