

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 1 OF 1943.

It is hereby notified for general information that, under the powers vested in or conferred upon him by the Emergency Finance Regulations published under High Commissioner's Notice No. 308 of 1942, the Resident Commissioner hereby publishes the following notices:—

NOTICES UNDER EMERGENCY FINANCE REGULATIONS.

DEFINITION OF STERLING AREA.

1. In addition to the territories mentioned in regulation 1, the following territories are hereby declared to be included in the "sterling area":—

Any other part of the British Commonwealth of Nations, excluding Canada and Newfoundland, any territory in respect of which a mandate on behalf of the League of Nations is being exercised by the Government of the United Kingdom or of any other Dominion, Egypt, the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, Iraq, Belgian Congo and Ruanda Urundi, Iceland, Faroe Islands, French Equatorial Africa, French Cameroons, French Oceania, French establishments in India, Syria and the Lebanon.

APPOINTMENT OF AUTHORIZED DEALERS.

2. The banks specified hereunder have been appointed as authorized dealers in terms of regulation 2:—

- (a) Standard Bank of South Africa, Limited, Mafeking.
- (b) Barclays Bank (Dominion, Colonial and Overseas), Mafeking.

EXEMPTION OF THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA, SOUTH WEST AFRICA, BASUTOLAND AND SWAZILAND, SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN RHODESIA FROM THE PROVISIONS OF REGULATION 3.

3. In terms of regulation 3, exemption is hereby granted from the obligation to obtain the permission of the Resident Commissioner—

- (a) to take or send out of the Territory any bank-notes to the Union of South Africa, the Mandated Territory of South West Africa, Basutoland and Swaziland, Southern and Northern Rhodesia;
- (b) to draw or negotiate any bill of exchange or promissory note, transfer any security or acknowledge any debt, so that a right (whether actual or contingent) on the part of such person or any other person to receive a payment in the Territory is created or transferred as consideration for—
  - (i) the receiving by such person or any other person of a payment, or the acquisition by such person or any other person of property in the Union of South Africa, the Mandated Territory of South West Africa, Basutoland or Swaziland; or
  - (ii) a right (whether actual or contingent) on the part of such person or any other person to receive a payment or acquire property in the Union of South Africa, the Mandated Territory of South West Africa, Basutoland and Swaziland;

or to make or receive any payment as such consideration.

DIRECTIONS GIVEN BY THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER UNDER  
REGULATION 4 REGARDING THE PAYMENT INTO BLOCKED  
ACCOUNTS OF MONEYS DUE TO PERSONS IN UNOCCUPIED  
FRANCE.

4. (a) The Resident Commissioner, by virtue of the powers conferred upon him by regulation 4, hereby directs that any person who holds or may hereafter hold moneys on behalf of any person in that portion of France not occupied by the enemy or in any other French territory not occupied by the enemy, except Syria, French Equatorial Africa, French Cameroons, French establishments in India, New Caledonia, New Hebrides and French possessions in Oceania, or who is or may hereafter become indebted to such a person, shall within thirty days from the date of publication of this notice in the *Gazette*, or, as the case may be, within thirty days from the date upon which such moneys become due or such debt becomes payable, pay the said moneys or the sum representing such debt into a blocked account.

(b) For this purpose an account has been opened with the Standard Bank of South Africa, Limited, Mafeking, and such moneys may be paid for the credit of such accounts to any branch of the said bank.

(c) Where the liability to make the payment is a liability to make the payment in French francs, the amount payable in Union currency shall be ascertained by converting the amount payable in French francs into Union currency at the rate of French francs 175.63 to the £1.

RESTRICTION ON RECEIVING OF PAYMENTS IN UNION CURRENCY  
FOR EXPORTS.

5. In terms of the powers vested in him by regulation 7, the Resident Commissioner hereby prescribes that, except with the permission of a bank authorized under the Emergency Finance Regulations to deal in foreign exchange, Union currency may not be received in payment by any person in respect of goods exported by him from the Territory to any country outside the sterling area.

RETURN OF SECURITIES OWNED BY PERSONS RESIDENT OUTSIDE  
THE STERLING AREA OR IN WHICH SUCH PERSONS HAVE AN  
INTEREST.

6. In terms of sub-regulation (2) of regulation 12, the Resident Commissioner hereby directs every person in the Territory who holds, possesses or has in his custody any securities, the ownership of which vests in any person temporarily or permanently resident outside the sterling area, or any securities in which any such person has an interest, to submit to the Financial Secretary within thirty days from the date of publication of this notice in the *Gazette*, or within thirty days from the date on which he becomes the holder of such securities or on which such securities come into his possession or are placed in his custody, a return giving the following particulars:—

- (a) Full name and residential address of owner or person interested in the security.
- (b) Nature of interest in security and date on which such interest was acquired.
- (c) Full name and residential address of person in whose name the security is registered.
- (d) Name of company, Government, municipality or other organisation which issued the security.
- (e) Nature of security (state whether stock or share or debenture and whether bearer or registered).
- (f) Nominal value.
- (g) Total number of securities.
- (h) Certificate and/or serial numbers.
- (i) Full name and residential address of person in possession of the securities or who has the securities in his custody.

- (i) Signature of holder or person in possession of the securities or person who has the securities in his custody.

Persons in the Bechuanaland Protectorate who submitted a return in terms of any Government Notice hereby withdrawn in respect of any such securities which they held, possessed or had in their custody before the date of publication of this notice in the *Gazette* are not required to submit a further return in terms of this notice in respect of those securities.

**DIRECTIONS GIVEN BY THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER UNDER  
REGULATION 15 IN RESPECT OF BANK OF ENGLAND NOTES.**

7. The Resident Commissioner, by virtue of the powers conferred upon him by regulation 15, hereby orders persons who hold Bank of England bank-notes to deposit such bank-notes with an authorised dealer appointed in terms of regulation 2, for account of the Resident Commissioner.

On production to an authorised dealer of satisfactory evidence that the bank-notes have been legally imported and have originated from a country within the sterling area, the owners of the bank-notes will receive the equivalent of the amount deposited in Union currency. In the absence of such evidence the bank-notes will be held in safe custody until after the war, when depositors may submit applications for the refund of the bank-notes to the banks with which they were deposited.

**PROHIBITION OF THE CARRYING OUT OF ORDERS GIVEN BY  
PERSONS IN CHINA AND THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

8. (a) The Resident Commissioner, by virtue of the powers conferred upon him by regulation 16, hereby prohibits, except with permission granted by the Resident Commissioner, the carrying out of any order given by or on behalf of—

- (i) the States of China or the Republic of China (Manchuria) or any functionary of the said States or any person being or carrying on business in China or the Republic of China (Manchuria); or
- (ii) any body corporate which is incorporated under the laws of any of the said States or is under the control of any of the said States or of any functionary thereof or of any person being or carrying on business therein;

in so far as the order requires—

- (i) any payment to be made or any gold or securities to be parted with; or
- (ii) any change to be made in the persons to whose credit any sum is to stand or to whose order any gold or securities are to be held.

(b) The Resident Commissioner hereby grants permission to authorised dealers—

- (i) to honour their obligations under confirmed credits opened prior to 26th July, 1941, on account of any State, person or body corporate referred to in paragraph 1 (a) or 1 (b) hereof;
- (ii) to accept bills or drafts and to pay cheques, bills or drafts, drawn by or for any State, person or body corporate referred to in paragraph 1 (a) or 1 (b) hereof, and presented by or on behalf of any person who was in possession thereof before 26th July, 1941;
- (iii) to carry out any orders received before 26th July, 1941, for the making of any payment or for the transfer of gold or securities in or within the Territory.

(c) Nothing in the foregoing authorises any transaction prohibited by or under any other law.

(d) All unconfirmed credits opened on account of any of the States above mentioned or for the account of any person being therein or carrying on business therein or any body corporate referred to in paragraph 1 (b) herein (including branches or subsidiaries wherever carrying on business), should be cancelled forthwith. But provided no other regulation of the Emergency Finance Regulations is infringed, there is no objection to sums which may be received for the credit of accounts blocked under these regulations being credited to such accounts.

9. All Government Notices published under the provisions of any High Commissioner's Notice cancelled by regulation 25 (1) of High Commissioner's Notice No. 308 of 1942 are hereby withdrawn.

G. E. NETTELTON,  
Government Secretary.

Resident Commissioner's Office,  
Mafeking, 4th January, 1943.