

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE  
No. 59 of 1948.

It is hereby notified for general information that, under and by virtue of the powers vested in him by section *two*, sub-section (1) of the Bechuanaland Protectorate Pensions (Consolidated) Proclamation, 1947 (No. 14 of 1947), His Excellency the High Commissioner has been pleased to make the following regulations.

By Command of His Excellency  
the High Commissioner.

H. E. PRIESTMAN,  
Administrative Secretary.

High Commissioner's Office,  
Cape Town,  
22nd March, 1948.

REGULATIONS.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Bechuanaland Protectorate Pensions (Amendment) Regulations, 1948, and shall be read as one with the Bechuanaland Protectorate Pensions Regulations, 1947, hereinafter called the principal regulations.

2. Regulation 19 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by the addition of the following sub-section:—

“(5) Notwithstanding anything contained in the previous provisos no period of service during which the officer was a depositor under the Provident Fund Proclamation (No. 51 of 1946), shall be taken into account as pensionable service.”

3. Regulation 24 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by deleting sub-regulations (2) and (3) thereof and by substituting therefor the following sub-regulations:—

“(2) The option referred to in sub-regulation (1) of this Regulation shall be exercisable, and if it has already been exercised may be revoked, not later than the day immediately preceding the date of such officer's retirement. Provided that if the officer does not exercise or revoke the option prior to the day preceding the date of his retirement, the High Commissioner may, if it appears to him in all the circumstances equitable so to do, allow him to exercise the option or revoke it at any time between that date and the actual date of award of pension under the Ordinance.

(3) Subject to the provisions of sub-regulation (2) of this regulation if a European Officer has exercised the option his decision shall be irrevocable so far as concerns any pension to be granted to him under the Ordinance.

(4) If a European Officer who has not exercised the option dies after he has finally retired but before a pension has been awarded under the Ordinance, it shall be lawful for the High Commissioner to grant a gratuity and a reduced pension as provided in sub-regulation (1), as if the officer before his death had exercised the option.

4. Regulation 25 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting the following words between the words "office" and "may" which occur in the fourth line thereof "under this Proclamation or under any law revoked thereby".

5. These Regulations shall be deemed to have come into operation on the first day of April, 1947.