

TO AMEND the New Hebrides Postal Services Prevention of Fraudulent Practices Regulation No. 4 of 1931.

MADE by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of Articles 2:2 and 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol of 1914.

1977  
Amendment of  
s.1 of J.R.  
4 of 1931

1. Section 1 of the New Hebrides Postal Services Prevention of Fraudulent Practices Regulation No. 4 of 1931 (hereinafter called "the principal Regulation") is hereby amended by deleting the fullstop at the end thereof and substituting a colon therefor and by adding thereto the following proviso -

"Provided that this section shall not apply to the use in accordance with joint rules made by the Resident Commissioners of any postal franking machine or any other machine, block, plate or device that is capable of being used for the printing or production of postage stamps, postal date stamps or impressions indicating the payment of postage of a type approved by the Condominium Postmaster. " .

Amendment  
of ss. of  
JR 4 of 1931

2. Section 5 of the principal Regulation is hereby repealed and replaced by the following section -

"Offences 5. (1) Any offence against the provisions of this Regulation or any Rules made hereunder shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding 20,000 FNH or its equivalent in Australian dollars at the official rate of exchange or imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months.

(2) the Court may in addition on conviction of any person for such an offence order that any machines or equipment used for the production of counterfeit stamps or reply coupons or any other machine, block, plate or device used for the printing or production of postal date stamps or impressions indicating the payment of postage used in the commission of such offence shall be forfeited to the Condominium Postmaster who shall be responsible for the destruction or disposal of the forfeited items in such manner as he shall think fit.

(3) If the Condominium Postmaster shall have specified in writing the sum or sums of which the postal service has been deprived as a result of the offence or offences committed by any person found guilty of an offence or offences against this legislation or any Rules made hereunder, the Court may, in addition to any penalty it may impose on him, order him to pay to the Condominium Postmaster the sum or sums so specified.

Citation  
and  
Commencement

3. This Regulation may be cited as the Postal Services (Amendment) Regulation No. 15 of 1977 and shall come into operation on the date of its publication in the Condominium Gazette.

MADE at Vila this ninth day of May 1977.

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