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PROCLAMATION

BY HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE HIGH COMMISSIONER.

Whereas it is expedient to make provision for the imposition of a duty on wool and mohair exported from the territory of Basutoland (herein after referred to as "the territory");

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

- 1. Upon every pound of wool or mohair exported from the territory there shall be charged levied and paid a duty at the rate of one farthing, and such duty shall be levied and paid in the manner herein after prescribed.
- 2. The manager for the time being of any trading station in the territory, whether or not he is the holder of the general trader's licence in respect of the station of which he is in charge shall before exporting any wool or mohair submit in respect thereof a declaration in the form prescribed in Schedule "A" to this Proclamation, together with a certified copy of the exporting way-bill to the Assistant Commissioner or Deputy-Assistant Commissioner or officer in charge of the district or sub-district in which the exporting trading station is situate, or to the official in charge of the port of exit who will issue to the person in charge of the wool or mohair being exported a permit in the form prescribed in Schedule "B" to this Proclamation.
- 3. (1) The manager for the time being of any trading station in the territory whether or not he is the holder of the general trader's licence in respect of the station of which he is in charge shall transmit to the Assistant Commissioner or Deputy-Assistant Commissioner or officer in charge of the district or sub-district in which the trading station is situate on or before the fourteenth day of each month a declaration in the form prescribed in Schedule "C" to this Proclamation of the total weight of wool and monair exported by him during the preceding month, together with a remittance in payment of the duty thereon, and the Assistant Commissioner or other officer concerned shall thereupon issue an official receipt for the amount of the remittance.

(2) Any person failing to deliver within the period named the statement referred to in the preceding sub-section shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds or in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding three months.

- 4. In respect of wool or mohair exported by persons other than managers of trading stations the duty shall be levied by and paid to any Assistant Commissioner; Deputy-Assistant Commissioner, officer in charge, police officer or any other person authorized in writing by the Resident Commissioner to receive such duty, and such officer or other person shall after checking the weight of the wool or mohair to be exported and receiving the sum due in respect of the duty issue an official receipt for the same.
- 5. In the case of wool or mohair exported under the provisions of the preceding section, the production of the official receipt for the duty at the port of exit shall be sufficient authority for the export of the wool or mohair in respect of which the receipt has been issued.
- 6. (1) The High Commissioner may from time to time by notice in the Gazette make alter and revoke regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this Proclamation for the better collection of the duty imposed by this Proclamation.
- (2) The High Commissioner may from time to time by notice in the Gazette appoint places as ports of exit for the purposes of this Proclamation and may revoke alter and vary such appointments.
- 7. No wool or mohair shall be exported from the territory otherwise than through a port of exit duly appointed in terms of the preceding section.
 - 8. (a) Any manager of a trading station who shall export or attempt to export any wool or mohair from the territory without first submitting a declaration and obtaining a permit in respect thereof as prescribed by section two, and

- (b) any person other than a manager of a trading station who shall export or attempt to export any wool or mohair from the territory without first having paid the duty in respect thereof imposed by this Proclamation and obtained a receipt therefor, and
- (c) any person who shall export or attempt to export any wool or mohair from the territory except in the manner in this Proclamation prescribed,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding £100 or 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 and the wool or mohair in respect of which the offence is committed shall be liable to confiscation by order of the court before which the offender is convicted.

- 9. In any prosecution for an offence under the preceding section of this Proclamation, proof that the accused or any agent of the accused who had charge of the wool or mohair at the time of the exportation or attempted exportation failed on demand made by any member of the police force lawfully established in the territory to produce the permit mentioned in section two of this Proclamation or the receipt mentioned in section four of this Proclamation shall be sufficient evidence that the permit or receipt had not been obtained unless and until the contrary is proved.
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 10. The Financial Secretary or any officer duly authorized by the Resident Commissioner may at all reasonable times inspect at any trading station any books or records relating to consignments of or dealings in wool or mohair and may likewise call for the production of such books or records for the purposes of examination at a Government office, and any person obstructing such inspection or failing without good reason to comply with any request made in terms of this section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds or in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding three months.
- 11. Any officer of customs and any officer duly authorized by the Resident Commissioner is hereby empowered to detain and to examine and search any person vehicle or animal conveying or suspected to be conveying wool or mohair intended for export and to open and examine any packages for the purpose of ascertaining if they contain wool or mohair and to weigh any package containing wool or mohair intended or suspected of being intended for export.
- 12. Any person who assaults, resists, molests, hinders, or obstructs any officer of Customs or any duly authorized officer in the carrying out of his powers or duties under this Proclamation or who assaults, resists, molests, hinders or obstructs any person aiding or assisting any such officer, while engaged in carrying out such powers or duties, shall be guilty of an offence, and shall on conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds or in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a period not exceeding three months.
- 13. Any person who knowingly makes any false statement in a declaration made under section two or section three of this Proclamation shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds or in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a period not exceeding one year.
- 14. This Proclamation may be cited for all purposes as the Basutoland Wool and Mohair Export Duty Proclamation 1923 and shall have force and take effect on and from the first day of April 1923.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Capetown this Seventeenth day of March One thousand Nine hundred and Twenty-three.

ARTHUR FREDERICK, High Commissioner.

By Command of His Royal Highness the High Commissioner.

> H. J. STANLEY, Imperial Secretary.

SCHEDULE A. DECLARATION FOR WOOL AND MOHAIR THE PRODUCE OF BASUTOLAND, EXPORTED TO..... To the..... Consignor..... Consignee..... Address...... Address..... Description. (Wool or mobair). Marks and No. of Net Duty. Numbers. Bales. Weight. £ s. d. to the best of my knowledge and belief that the particulars of the goods above described are true. Consignor. SCHEDULE B. BASUTOLAND. bales of wool said to contain.....lb. bales of mohair said to contain.....lb.

SCHEDULE C.

MONTHLY RETURN OF WOOL AND MOHAIR THE PRODUCE OF BASUTOLAND EXPORTED TO.....

Consignor.....

......19...

Marks and numbers of bales.

Address....

Date of Dispatch.	Marks and Numbers.	Description. (Wool or Mobair.)	Net Weight.	Duty.		
				£	s.	d.
81			41			
19						
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Dated this......day of......19...

Consignor.

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HIGH COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE No. 13 of 1923.

It is hereby notified for general information that His Royal Highness the High Commissioner has been pleased to appoint Harold Stewart Doherty, Esquire, to be a clerk to the Resident Commissioner of Basutoland, with effect from 15th September,

By Command of His Royal Highness the High Commissioner.

H. J. STANLEY, Imperial Secretary.

High Commissioner's Office, Capetown, 14th March, 1923.

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE No. 14 of 1923.

It is hereby notified for general information that, under the provisions of section one of the Basutoland Customs Management Proclamation, 1914, His Royal Highness the High Commissioner has been pleased to appoint the person for the time being holding the office of Financial Secretary to be Director of Customs for Basutoland.

Notice No. 112 of 1914 is hereby cancelled.

By Command of His Royal Highness the High Commissioner.

H. J. STANLEY, Imperial Secretary.

High Commissioner's Office, Capetown, 17th March, 1923.

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE No. 15 of 1923.

It is hereby notified for general information that, in terms of section six of the Basutoland Wool and Mohair Export Duty Proclamation, 1923, His Royal Highness the High Commissioner has been pleased to appoint the places set forth in the attached Schedule to be ports of exit for the purposes of the said Proclamation

By Command of His Royal Highness the High Commissioner.

H. J. STANLEY, Imperial Secretary.

High Commissioner's Office, Capetown, 19th March, 1923.

SCHEDULE.

Butha-Buthe— Caledon Poort. Joel's Drift. Letsika's. Hendriks. Monontsa. Linkung.

Brindisi. Ficksburg Bridge.

Peka— Peka Bridge.

Hanger's Drift.

Maseru Bridge. Don Don.

Mafeteng-Tsupane Gate. Van Rooyen's Gate. Sepapo's.

Mohale's Hoek-Clearwater.
Meyer's Drift.
Trollop's.
Pathlala. Morife.

Quthing-Pack Ox Nek. Ongelok's Nek. Lehana's. Telle Drift. Likabaneng. Tsetsane Gate. Sinxondo.

Qucha's Nek. Bushman's Nek. Ramatseliso's. De Kok's Gate. Qacha's Nek Gate.

Mokhotlong— Namahali. Sani Pass.

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NOTICE.

BLOEMFONTEIN BOARD OF EXECUTORS AND TRUST CO., LTD., MASERU BRANCH.

In the Insolvent Estate of DUGALD McNAUGHT, trader, of Tsiu's, Mofakas, Basutoland.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly confirmed in his appointment as Sole Trustee in the above-named Insolvent Estate, and that the Third Meeting of Creditors will be held at the Office of the Master of Court, Maseru, on Friday, the 13th day of April, 1923, at 10 a.m.

Business: Proof of Claims, Trustee's Report, Instructions to Trustee, and consideration of certain application of insolvent's wife to be allowed household furniture.

C. F. HENEY, Sole Trustee.

Joint Trustees.

C/o Bloemfontein Board of Executors and Trust Co., Ltd., Maseru, 13th March, 1923.

Insolvent Estate of H. H. HAWTHORNE, Francistown.

Notice is hereby given that the Liquidation and Distribution Account (First Scheme of Division) of the above Estate will lie for the inspection of Creditors at the Office of the Magistrate at Francistown for a period of seven days, and at the Office of the Master for the Bechuanaland Protectorate at Mafeking for a period of fourteen days, reckoned from the 23rd March, 1923, and should no objection be taken to the said account, application will be made to the Resident Commissioner's Court at Mafeking for confirmation of the said account, and for payment of dividends. Dated at Mafeking, this 20th day of March, 1923.

J. M. BOWMAN, N. C. DE KOCK