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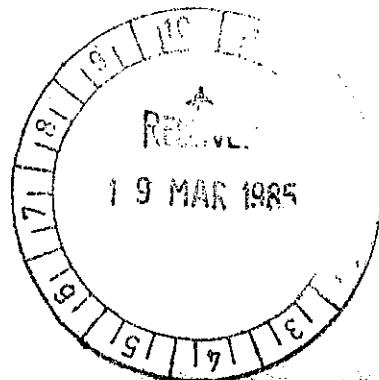
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THE AMBRYM LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

THE DOG TAX REGIONAL LAW NO. 1 OF 1985

To provide for a Dog Tax and matters connected therewith.

IN EXERCISE of the power contained in section 26 of the Decentralization Act No. 11 of 1982, the Ambrym Local Government Council makes the following Regional Law:-

INTERPRETATION

1. In this Regional Law unless the context otherwise requires -

"Council" means the Ambrym Local Government Council;

"Dog" means a dog, whether male or female, not less than six months old;

"Licence" means a valid licence issued under section 3 of this Regional Law;

"Owner" in relation to a dog means the keeper of that and includes the occupier of any premises in which the dog is ordinarily kept or permitted to live or remain, and includes any person in whose care the dog may temporarily be, whether loose or confined or who may harbour it.

CREATION OF A DOG LICENCE

2. (1) There is hereby created an annual tax to be known as the Dog Tax.
- (2) Every dog tax shall become payable from the first day of July and not later than the last day of the month of October each year.

APPLICATION FOR AN ISSUE OF LICENCES

3. (1) No person shall, within the Ambrym Local Government Region, keep any dog unless such person shall have taken out and is in lawful possession of a valid licence in the form set out in Schedule B.
- (2) Upon application therefor by or on behalf of the owner of a dog, submission of the information required to be entered in the register maintained under section 6 of this Regional Law and upon payment of the appropriate tax prescribed in Schedule C, the Council shall issue a licence in the name of the owner in respect of that dog.
- (3) Every dog licence shall remain valid for one year.
- (4) Upon application therefor and payment of the appropriate tax prescribed in Schedule C, the Council may issue a duplicate licence.
- (5) Application for a dog licence shall be in the form set out in Schedule A and shall be made to the Treasurer of the Council.

LATE PAYMENTS

4. In the case of late payment the amount due shall be increased by fifty per cent (50%).

DOG LICENCE TO BE RECOVERED AS CIVIL DEBT

5. If a person fails to pay the dog tax to which he is liable, the Council may recover the amount due including any surcharge as a civil debt together with costs and in addition to any penalty which a court may impose.

REGISTER OF LICENCE

6. The Council shall maintain a register of all licences issued under this Regional Law.

DESTRUCTION OF DISEASED DOG

7. Any medical officer or any officer of the Council authorized by the Council in writing for the purposes of this Regional Law may if he thinks fit cause to be destroyed any diseased or infected dog or any dog suspected of being diseased.

POWER OF POLICE AND COUNCIL OFFICERS

8. It shall be lawful for any officer of the Council authorized by the Council in writing for the purpose of this Regional Law, or any police officer at all reasonable times to demand the production of any licence for inspection, and to make enquiries to ascertain whether any breach of this Regional Law has been committed.

DUTY OF OWNER TO PREVENT ATTACKS

9. It shall be the duty of the owner of every dog to ensure that such dogs does not in any place to which the public resort or have access, attack any person or domestic animal; and if any dog shall in any such place, attack any person or domestic animal the owner of that dog shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding 500 vatu or in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one week.

OFFENCE TO OBSTRUCT POLICE OR COUNCIL OFFICERS

10. Any person who obstructs or impedes any police officer or officer of the Council acting in the due exercise of his powers under this Regional Law or who makes any false statement to any such officers whilst acting as aforesaid, or who refuses or fails without lawful excuse to produce any licence he is duly required to produce, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding 500 vatu or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 1 week, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

EVIDENCE

11. In any proceeding arising out of or under this Regional Law every dog shall be presumed to be over the age of six months and the onus of proving the contrary shall be on the person who so alleges.

POWER TO IMPOUND DOGS

12. (1) Any police officer or officer of the Council may seize and impound any dog found wandering at large in circumstances in which it constitutes a nuisance or danger to the public or to any person.
- (2) Any dog so impounded shall forthwith be taken to and detained in the Council pound.

NOTICE OF IMPOUNDING TO BE GIVEN TO OWNER

13. Where the owner of any dog so impounded is known, notice of such impounding shall forthwith be given to him.

RELEASE OF IMPOUNDING DOG

14. No dog that has been impounded shall be released to the owner unless all outstanding pound taxes prescribed in Schedule C have been paid.

SALE OR DESTRUCTION OF UNCLAIMED DOG

15. Where any dog that has been impounded under this Regional Law is not claimed and released within three days of having been so impounded, the Council may cause it to be destroyed or sold; and if sold the proceeds after deduction of any licence and pound fees outstanding, and any other expense incurred in connection with such sale, shall be held for one month and if not claimed by the owner within that period, shall be paid into and form part of the Council's funds.

OFFENCE TO RELEASE OR INJURE IMPOUNDED DOGS WITHOUT AUTHORITY

16. Any person who without lawful authority or lawful excuse releases or injures or attempts to release or injure any dog detained in the Council pound shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding 500 vatu or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one week or to both such fine and imprisonment.

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

17. (1) Where there is a change of ownership in respect of a dog, the Council shall be informed and the appropriate tax prescribed in Schedule C shall be paid.
- (2) Any person who contravenes section (1) shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine exceeding 500 vatu or, in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one week.

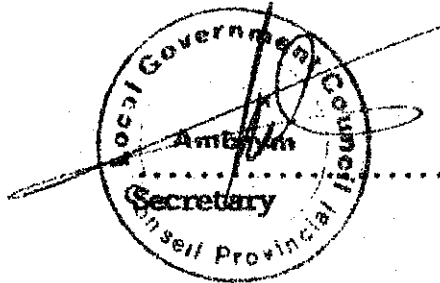
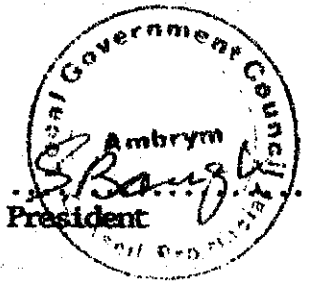
OFFENCE

18. Any person who being the owner of a dog fails to pay the dog licence shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 500 vatu or to a period of imprisonment not exceeding one week or to both such fine and imprisonment.


COMMENCEMENT

19. The Regional Law shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Gazette.

MADE Under the seal of the Ambrym Local Government Council.



Approved by the Minister this *11th* day of *March* 1985


BETHY J. REGENWANU
Minister of Home Affairs



REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

THE AMBRYM LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

The Dog Tax Regional Law No. 1 of 1985
(Section 3(5))

SCHEDULE A

Application For Licence

I, of hereby apply for a
licence to keep in my household a male/female dog (delete whichever is not
appropriate)

Date:.....

.....

Signed

REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

THE AMERYM LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

**The Dog Tax Regional Law No. 1 of 1985
(Section 3(1))**

SCHEDULE B

FORM OF LICENCE

Licence is hereby granted to of
to keep in his household a male/female dog (delete whichever is not appropriate) from the day of, 19..... subject to the provisions of the Councils Dog Tax Regional Law No..... of 1985.

Dated
.....

Treasurer

Fee paid: VT.....

SCHEDULE C
(Sections 3, 14 and 17)

PREScribed FEES

- (a) Original Dog Licence:
 - 50 vatu per head per year

- (b) Duplicate Licence
 - 50 vatu

- (c) Pound Fee per dog
 - 20 vatu per head per day

- (d) Fee in respect of a charge of ownership of a dog
 - 50 vatu



REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

THE BANKING REGULATION

(CAP. 8)

ORDER REVOKING BANKING LICENCE

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by paragraph (d) and (a) of subsection 4 of section 5 of the Banking Regulation, I hereby order that the banking licence of

WESTPAC SAVINGS BANK LIMITED

granted on the 28th day of September, 1971, shall be the same is hereby revoked.

Dated at Vila this thirtieth day of September, 1984

K. Mahan

MINISTER OF FINANCE



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF VANUATU

IN THE MATTER of

<u>SOUTH SEAS RESORTS LIMITED</u>	No 26/85
<u>NAYANO TOURS LIMITED</u>	No 27/85
<u>BELLA INVESTMENTS LIMITED</u>	No 28/85
<u>EMEL HOLDINGS LIMITED</u>	No 29/85
<u>A & P INVESTMENTS LIMITED</u>	No 30/85
<u>PHOENIX INTERNATIONAL LIMITED</u>	No 31/85
<u>BERGERON BROTHERS LIMITED</u>	No 32/85
<u>DAVKEL LIMITED</u>	No 33/85
<u>KELDA LIMITED</u>	No 34/85
<u>WESTERN HOLDINGS LIMITED</u>	No 35/85
<u>MID PACIFIC REINSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED</u>	No 36/85

and

IN THE MATTER of the Companies Regulation (Cap.9)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions for the Winding-up of the above-named companies by the Supreme Court of Vanuatu holden at Vila were on twenty-fifth day of February, 1985 presented to the said Court by Stanley Uren, Registrar of Companies, Vila AND that the said petitions are directed to be heard before the Court by sitting at Vila on the twenty-ninth day of March, 1985 and any creditor or contributory of the said companies desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said petitions may appear at the same time of the hearing in person or by his counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the petition(s) will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said companies requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charges for the same.


S. Uren
REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES



NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said petition(s) must serve on or send by post to the above-named, notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm and must be signed by the person or firm or his or their solicitor (if any), and must be served, or if posted, must be sent by post, in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than one o'clock in the afternoon on the twenty-seventh day of March, 1985.