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UNION ISLANDS.

No. 1 of 1936

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A. C. TURNBULL,  
Acting Administrator.  
18th November 1936.

AN ORDINANCE

TO REGULATE THE IMPORTATION OF PLANT AND OTHER  
MATTER INTO THE UNION ISLANDS.

BE IT ENACTED —

1. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Union Islands Plant Protection Ordinance, 1936.
2. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 1st day of December, 1936.
3. In this Ordinance
  - "plant" includes any tree, flower, shrub, vegetable, or other plant growth ;
  - "part of plant" includes any root, bulb, cutting, bud, graft, seed or fruit ;
  - "fruit" includes any edible product of any plant and includes the peel, skin, or shell of fruit ;
  - "plant or part thereof affected with insect pest or disease" includes any plant or part of plant, or the packages or wrappings that may contain or have contained the same, in or on which any insect pest or disease is or has been present in any form or stage of development, or with which any plant or part of plant, or package or wrapping, has come in contact.
  - "Inspector" means an Inspector of produce in the service of the executive government of Western Samoa.

4. It shall be lawful for a District Officer or a Native Magistrate, if he shall know or suspect any plant or part of plant, whether introduced into the Union Islands before or after the commencement of this Ordinance, to be affected with insect pest or disease, to cause the same to be examined and, if it is in his opinion necessary, rendered innocuous or destroyed.

5. No person shall put ashore, introduce, or attempt, or be concerned in attempting to introduce or bring into the Union Islands :

(i) any plant or part of plant, or any fruit, or any soil, except with the prior written permission of an Inspector or of a District Officer, and upon such conditions (if any) as shall be prescribed in such permission ;

(ii) any copra sacks or other sacks shipped from or through American Samoa or Western Samoa except after such fumigation before leaving American Samoa or Western Samoa as an Inspector may prescribe ;

(iii) any other goods shipped from or through American or Western Samoa except after such fumigation before leaving American Samoa or Western Samoa as an Inspector may prescribe.

Provided that fumigation pursuant to paragraph (iii) hereof shall not be required in respect of merchandise sold by retail in small parcels on board the importing vessel in the Union Islands in the ordinary way of native trade before being landed.

6. Any person contravening the provisions of this Ordinance shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds, or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding six months.

7. The Gilbert and Ellice Islands (Plants) Regulation, 1911, shall cease to have any force or effect in the Union Islands upon the commencement of this Ordinance.

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