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HIS Excellency the Governor hereby notifies, for the information of the public, that the following Order in Council has been issued by His Majesty the King.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Court at Windsor Castle, the thirteenth day of April, 1915.

Present :

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Lord President.

Lord Stamfordham.

Sir Frederick Ponsonby.

WHEREAS a state of war exists between His Majesty and the German Emperor, the Emperor of Austria, King of Hungary, and the Sultan of Turkey :

And whereas His Majesty holds it to be his prerogative duty as well as his prerogative right to take all steps necessary for the defence and protection of the Realm :

And whereas it has been made to appear to His Majesty that it is essential to the defence and protection of the Realm that in the exercise of his prerogatives as aforesaid he should cause the whole of the insulated spaces in British steamships usually engaged in trading between any port or ports in the Commonwealth of Australia or in the Dominion of New Zealand respectively, and any port or ports in the United Kingdom, to be requisitioned for the carriage of refrigerated produce from any port or ports in the Commonwealth of Australia and in the Dominion of New Zealand :

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of his Privy Council, and in the exercise of his prerogatives as aforesaid, and of all other powers him thereunto enabling, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the whole of the insulated spaces in British steamships usually engaged in trading between any port or ports in the Commonwealth of Australia or in the Dominion of New Zealand respectively and any port or ports in the United Kingdom shall be, and is hereby until further ordered, requisitioned by and on behalf of His Majesty for the carriage of such produce from any port or ports in the Commonwealth of Australia and in the Dominion of New Zealand :

And His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to authorize and direct the President of the Board of Trade, the Minister for Trade and Customs in the Commonwealth of Australia, and the Minister of Customs in the Dominion of New Zealand respectively to give effect to this order in the following way, that is to say:—

(1.) That the President of the Board of Trade shall cause to be served notice of requisition on the owner of any such steamship if such owner be in the United Kingdom; that the Minister for Trade and Customs in the Commonwealth of Australia shall cause to be served notice of requisition on the owner of any such steamship if such owner be in the Commonwealth of Australia; and that the Minister of Customs in the Dominion of New Zealand shall cause to be served notice of requisition on the owner of any such steamship if such owner be in the Dominion of New Zealand; and that if there be a charterer of any such steamship, that such charterer shall be served with notice of requisition in the same way, according to whether such charterer be in the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth of Australia, or the Dominion of New Zealand.

(2.) That the President of the Board of Trade shall cause to be served notice of requisition on any such steamship if such steamship shall be in or shall come into the territorial waters of the United Kingdom; and that the Minister for Trade and Customs in the Commonwealth of Australia shall cause to be served notice of requisition on any such steamship if such steamship shall be in or shall come into the territorial waters of the Commonwealth of Australia; and that the Minister of Customs in the Dominion of New Zealand shall cause to be served notice of requisition on any such steamship if such steamship shall be in or shall come into the territorial waters of the Dominion of New Zealand; but that it shall not be necessary for more than one such notice of requisition to be served on any such steamship:

And His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to declare that service of notice of requisition on an owner shall be deemed sufficient and effective if served, in the case of an individual owner, by being addressed to such individual owner and left at his last known place of business or abode, and, in the case of joint owners, by being addressed to such joint owners and left at the last known business addresses or places of abode of such joint owners, and, in the case of a company or corporation, by being addressed to such company or corporation and left at the registered or other address of such company or corporation, or in any of the aforesaid cases by being addressed to the managing owner, ship's husband, or other the person to whom the management of the ship is by law entrusted by or on behalf of the owners at the registered or other last known address or place of abode of such managing owner, ship's husband, or other such person, as the case may be; and that service of notice of requisition on the charterer (if any) of any such steamship shall be deemed sufficient and effective if effected, as regards such charterer, in manner similar to that prescribed for service on the owner; and that service of notice of requisition on any such steamship shall be deemed sufficient and effective if served on board such steamship on the master of the steamship, or other the person for the time being in charge of such steamship, or affixing a copy thereof to the mast or some other conspicuous part of such steamship:

And His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to declare that any notice of requisition which the President of the Board of Trade, the Minister for Trade and Customs in the Commonwealth of Australia, and the Minister of Customs in the Dominion of New Zealand may respectively cause to be served hereunder may be signed by any person from time to time authorized for such purpose either generally or specially by the President of the Board of Trade, or the Minister for Trade and Customs in the Commonwealth of Australia, or the Minister of Customs in the Dominion of New Zealand, as the case may be.

Government House,
Wellington, 28th April, 1915.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.