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CHAPTER 86.

IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION.

An Ordinance relating to immigration.

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PART I.—PRELIMINARY.

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Immigration Short title, Restriction Ordinance, and shall apply to the Colony and application. Protectorate.
- 2. (1) In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise Definitions. requires-
 - "Immigration Officer" includes the Principal Immigration Officer and any Assistant Immigration Officer;
 - " prohibited immigrant" means a person being or appearing to be a prohibited immigrant within the meaning of section 12;
 - "native foreigner" means any person, other than a native of Sierra Leone, whose parents were members of a tribe or tribes indigenous to British West Africa, French West Africa, the Republic of Guinea, Spanish West Africa, Portuguese West Africa, the Belgian Congo, the mandated territories in West Africa, French Equatorial Africa, Portuguese Guinea, Principe, Spanish Guinea, Annobon, Liberia, Fernando Po or San Thomé, and the descendants of such persons, and shall include any person one of whose parents was a member of such tribe;
 - "recognised airfield or airport" and "recognised air line" means an airfield or airport or air line declared by Order of the Governor to be recognised for the purposes of this Ordinance:

"valid passport" means a passport referring to the person producing the same, furnished with a photograph of such person, and issued to him by or on behalf of the country of which he is a subject or a citizen and for a period which, according to the laws of that country, has not expired, and includes any other similar document establishing both the nationality and identity of the person to whom it refers to the satisfaction of an Immigration Officer, and issued by a competent Passport Control Authority;

"vessel" includes any boat, canoe or craft of any kind.

- (2) For the purposes of this Ordinance a person shall be deemed to be a native of Sierra Leone if he is a British subject or a British protected person and—
 - (a) was born in or out of Sierra Leone of parents at least one of whom at the time of his birth was domiciled or ordinarily resident in Sierra Leone; or
 - (b) obtained the status of a British subject by reason of the grant to him by the Governor of a certificate of naturalisation under the Aliens Naturalisation and Acquisition of Property Ordinance, or by reason of the grant by the Governor of a certificate of naturalisation under the British Nationality and status of Aliens Act, 1914, or the British Nationality Act, 1948.

Appointments and powers of Immigration Officers.

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- **3.** (1) The Governor shall appoint a Principal Immigration Officer to have charge of the administration of this Ordinance and such Assistant Immigration Officers as he may think fit. All such appointments shall be published in the *Gazette*.
- (2) Any Immigration Officer may for the purposes of this Ordinance enter or board as often as may be necessary any vessel, aircraft, railway train, motor or other vehicle.

Exempted persons.

- **4.** (1) This Ordinance shall not apply to the immigration of the following persons—
 - (a) (i) any member of Her Majesty's military services, the Royal Air Force and the Fleet Air Arm;
 - (ii) officers and members of the crews of Her Majesty's ships and of the naval ships of any friendly power, who are in uniform; if such persons are not in uniform they must, before being exempted, satisfy the Immigration Officer as to their identity and occupation;
 - (b) (i) members of Her Majesty's diplomatic and consular services;
 - (ii) members of the diplomatic service of a friendly country;

- (iii) persons who are members of a consular service duly accredited to Sierra Leone by their Governments, their wives and children.
- who satisfy the Immigration Officer as to their identity and occupation;
- (c) any person in the service of the Government of Sierra Leone who has in his possession a valid passport and satisfies the Immigration Officer as to his identity and occupation, and his wife and children;
- (d) any person who satisfies the Immigration Officer that he is a native of Sierra Leone;
- and until such time as the individual in question satisfies the Immigration Officer that he comes within any of the exemptions set out in this sub-section the provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to such person.
- (2) Unless the Governor otherwise directs, any native foreigner whom the Immigration Officer is satisfied is not or does not appear to be of any of the classes defined in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (g) or (h) of sub-section (2) of section 12 may enter Sierra Leone without being in possession of a valid passport. Any direction given by the Governor may be given in respect of any native foreigner or class of native foreigners.
- 5. For the purposes of this Ordinance the Governor may by Declaration Order declare any airfield, airport or air line to be a recognised airfield, airport or air line.

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PART II.—DISEMBARKATION AND EXAMINATION.

- 6. The master of a vessel arriving at any place in Sierra Leone Prohibition of shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any passenger who has embarked outside disemberated shall not permit any permit and per Sierra Leone to disembark from such vessel until such disem- ships without barkation has been authorised by an Immigration Officer.
- 7. Every passenger arriving by sea intending to disembark Examination in Sierra Leone shall appear before the Immigration Officer at by sea. such time and place as the Immigration Officer shall direct, and the Immigration Officer, after such examination as he may consider necessary, shall inform any passenger whom he considers to be within the category of a prohibited immigrant of such finding and such passenger if still aboard the vessel shall not disembark in Sierra Leone or if disembarked for the purposes of such examination shall return forthwith to the vessel and remain thereon. The master of the vessel shall likewise forthwith be informed in writing by the Immigration Officer of his

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finding and the master shall not permit the prohibited immigrant to disembark in Sierra Leone:

Provided that the provisions of this section shall not apply where such passenger has embarked at any place in Sierra Leone and disembarks from the same vessel at the same or any other place in Sierra Leone during or at the end of the voyage which the vessel began or was in the course of when he embarked.

Examination of immigrants by air.

- 8. (1) Every passenger arriving by air in Sierra Leone at any recognised airfield or airport and intending to leave the precincts of the said airfield or airport shall appear before the Immigration Officer at such time and place as the Immigration Officer shall direct, and the Immigration Officer, after such examination as he may consider necessary, shall inform any passenger whom he considers to be within the category of a prohibited immigrant of such finding and such passenger shall not depart from the precincts of such airfield or airport except to a place approved by the Immigration Officer and shall leave and depart from Sierra Leone by the first available means in accordance with the instructions of the Immigration Officer.
- (2) Where any passenger arrives by air in Sierra Leone at any place other than a recognised airfield or airport such passenger shall forthwith and in any case not later than seven days after the day of his arrival proceed to and appear before the nearest Immigration Officer.

Examination of immigrants by inland waters or overland.

- 9. Every person who enters Sierra Leone by inland waters or overland shall forthwith and in any case not later than seven days after the day of his arrival proceed to and appear before the nearest Immigration Officer who, after such examination as he may consider necessary, shall, if he considers that such person is within the category of a prohibited immigrant, inform such person of his finding and such person shall, in accordance with the instructions of an Immigration Officer—
 - (a) if he entered by inland waters, leave and depart from Sierra Leone at the first available opportunity, or
 - (b) if he entered overland whether by means of any vehicle or otherwise, leave and depart from Sierra Leone forthwith.

Examination of person ceasing to be exempted under section 4.
23 of 1956.

10. (1) If any person who has entered Sierra Leone under the provisions of paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of section 4 (1) of this Ordinance subsequently, while in Sierra Leone, ceases to possess the qualifications by virtue of which the provisions of section 4 (1) applied to him, the provisions of this Ordinance shall forthwith apply to such person who shall thereupon be deemed to be a person desiring to enter Sierra Leone for the first time.

- (2) On his ceasing to possess the qualifications referred to in sub-section (1) of this section, such person shall forthwith and in any case within fourteen days appear before the Immigration Officer, Freetown. The Immigration Officer after such examination as he may consider necessary, shall, if he considers that such person is within the category of a prohibited immigrant, inform such person of his finding and such person shall leave and depart from Sierra Leone by the first available means in accordance with the instructions of the Immigration Officer.
- 11. If any person fails to comply with the requirements of Penalty for contravention any of the last four preceding sections or shall withhold any of sections 6, fact or information which would bring such person within the 7,8 or 9 and for withcategory of a prohibited immigrant, he shall be liable on sum- holding mary conviction to a fine of fifty pounds or imprisonment for six months or to both such fine and imprisonment and, except in the case of—

information.

- (a) a master of a vessel referred to in sections 6 and 7, or
- (b) the person in charge of an aircraft operated by a recognised air line, or
- (c) in the absolute discretion of the Immigration Officer, the master of an inland waterways vessel or the driver of any vehicle operating on land,

may be dealt with as a prohibited immigrant under the provisions of this Ordinance.

PART III.—PROHIBITED IMMIGRANTS.

12. (1) The immigration into Sierra Leone by land, sea or air Prohibited of any person being or appearing to be of any of the classes specified in sub-section (2) is prohibited:

immigrants.

Provided that such prohibition shall not apply to—

- (a) a native of Sierra Leone, or
- (b) a native foreigner, unless—
- (i) the immigration of such native foreigner be prohibited by order of the Governor under the provisions of paragraph
- (e) of sub-section (2), or
- (ii) such native foreigner is a native foreigner, or is of a class of native foreigners, the subject of a direction given by the Governor under the provisions of sub-section (2) of section 4, or
- (c) a person to whom a visiting pass or a transit pass is issued under the provisions of this Ordinance.

- (2) The classes of prohibited immigrants shall be-
- (a) any person who is without visible means of support or is likely to become a pauper or a public charge;
 - (b) any idiot or insane person;
- (c) any person who, from official Government records, or from information officially received by the Governor from a Secretary of State, or from the Officer Administering the Government of any British Colony or Protectorate, or from any British Diplomatic or Consular Officer, or from any Foreign Minister or from any Officer Administering the Government of any foreign Colony or Protectorate or any British Passport Control Officer is deemed by the Governor to be undesirable;
- (d) any person who is shown, to the satisfaction of the Governor, to be likely to conduct himself so as to be dangerous to peace and good order in Sierra Leone, or to excite enmity between the people of Sierra Leone and Her Majesty or to intrigue against Her Majesty's power and authority in Sierra Leone:
- (e) any native foreigner or class of native foreigner the immigration of whom is prohibited by order of the Governor;
 - (f) any person who—
 - (i) has not in his possession a valid passport, or
 - (ii) being a juvenile under the age of sixteen years has not in his possession a valid passport or is not accompanied by an adult on whose valid passport particulars of such juvenile appear.

In the case of a non-native, who is not a British subject or a subject or citizen of a country which has been declared by the Governor by notice in the *Gazette* to be a country the subjects or citizens of which are exempt from this provision, such passport must bear the visa of a British Consul or other accredited British Representative, stating whether the person concerned is in transit or otherwise;

- (g) any prostitute;
- (h) any person who is or has been—
 - (i) a brothel keeper;
- (ii) a householder permitting the defilement of a young girl on his premises;
- (iii) a person allowing a person under thirteen years of age to be in a brothel;

- of known immoral character, to have unlawful carnal connection, either within or without Her Majesty's Dominions, with any other person, or
- (ii) procures or attempts to procure any female to become, either within or without Her Majesty's Dominions, a common prostitute, or
- (iii) procures or attempts to procure any female to leave her usual place of abode (such place not being a brothel), with intent that she may, for the purposes of prostitution, become an inmate of a brothel, either within or without Her Majesty's Dominions, or
- (iv) by threats or intimidation procures or attempts to procure any female to have any unlawful carnal connection either within or without Her Majesty's Dominions, or
- (v) by false pretences or false representations procures any female, not being a common prostitute or of known immoral character, to have any unlawful carnal connection, either within or without Her Majesty's Dominions, or
- (vi) applies or administers to or causes to be taken by any female any drug, matter, or thing, with intent to stupefy or overpower her so as thereby to enable any person to have unlawful carnal connection with that female;
- (g) "prostitution" (with its grammatical variations and cognate expressions) includes the offering by a female of her body commonly for acts of lewdness for payment, although there is no act, or offer of an act, of ordinary sexual connection.

Saving rights of the Governor.

13. Notwithstanding anything in this Ordinance contained, the Governor may, in his absolute discretion, prohibit the entry into Sierra Leone of any person, not being a native of Sierra Leone.

Power to prevent entry of, and to arrest prohibited immigrants.

- 14. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance, any Police Officer or Immigration Officer may prevent any prohibited immigrant from entering Sierra Leone by land, air, inland water or sea, and may, without warrant, arrest any person suspected of being a prohibited immigrant.
- (2) Any person arrested under the provisions of sub-section (1) shall be brought without delay before a magistrate:

Provided that where the vessel from which such person disembarked is on the point of departure he may instead of

being brought before a magistrate be handed over to the custody of the master of the vessel, unless he demands to be taken before a magistrate.

- (3) Subject to the provisions of section 25, the magistrate, if 32 of 1956. he does not deal with the case forthwith, may either remand such person for a period not exceeding fourteen days or may release him on bail
- (4) If the magistrate finds such person to be a prohibited immigrant, he shall issue a deportation order requiring the person in respect of whom it is made to leave and remain out of Sierra Leone. An appeal by either party shall lie from the finding of the magistrate to the Supreme Court. Such appeal shall be entered within seven days of the date of such finding and, pending the hearing of such appeal, the person who is the subject of the appeal may be either remanded or released on bail by the magistrate or the Supreme Court.
- (5) A person found to be a prohibited immigrant may, pending the issue of a deportation order and thereafter until he can conveniently be placed on board a vessel about to leave Sierra Leone or be otherwise deported, be detained in such manner as circumstances may require, and shall be deemed to be in legal custody whilst so detained and until the vessel finally leaves Sierra Leone or he is outside the frontiers of Sierra Leone, as the case may be.
- 15. (1) Any person who, being a prohibited immigrant at the Punishment time of his entry into Sierra Leone, enters Sierra Leone except deportation. in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be guilty of an offence and be liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term of six months and to be deported.

- (2) No person who comes within the definition of a prohibited immigrant shall be released from the operation of this Ordinance or be allowed to be or remain in Sierra Leone merely because he has not been notified not to enter Sierra Leone or because he may have been allowed to enter Sierra Leone through oversight or through want of knowledge that he was a prohibited immigrant. Proof adduced after any person has entered Sierra Leone that he is of any of the classes whose entry is prohibited shall render such person liable to be deported forthwith as a prohibited immigrant.
- (3) When arrangements have been made for the deportation of a person undergoing a sentence of imprisonment imposed under sub-section (1) such person may be taken and placed on

board the vessel, aircraft, motor or other vehicle on which he is to be deported, notwithstanding that the full term of imprisonment has not been served, and shall be deemed to be in legal custody whilst so placed and until the vessel, aircraft, motor or other vehicle finally leaves Sierra Leone.

Contract for the return of a prohibited immigrant.

16. In any case in which an order for the deportation of a prohibited immigrant is made and such prohibited immigrant cannot be placed on board the vessel from which he disembarked, or in the aircraft, motor or other vehicle in which he arrived in Sierra Leone, any Immigration Officer may, with the approval of the Principal Immigration Officer, make a contract with the master, person in charge of, owner or agent of any vessel, aircraft, motor or other vehicle for the conveyance of the prohibited immigrant to a place outside Sierra Leone, and such prohibited immigrant with his personal effects, if any, may be placed by a Police or Immigration Officer on board or in such vessel, aircraft, motor or other vehicle and until such vessel, aircraft, motor or other vehicle finally leaves Sierra Leone shall be deemed to be in lawful custody.

Liability of master, person in charge, owner or agent in respect of a prohibited immigrant or stowaway. 6 of 1950.

- 17. (1) The master and the owner and the agent of any vessel from which any prohibited immigrant or stowaway shall disembark or be disembarked shall be jointly and severally liable to pay to the Government all expenses incurred by the Government in connection with the transport and maintenance of such prohibited immigrant or stowaway and his deportation from Sierra Leone and the person in charge, the owner and the agent of any aircraft, motor or other vehicle shall, in like circumstances, be similarly liable.
- (2) The amount of any such expenses as aforesaid shall be recoverable in an action brought by or in the name of the Principal Immigration Officer.

Liability of persons bringing insane persons into Sierra Leone.

- 18. (1) Any person who shall be instrumental in bringing into Sierra Leone any idiot or insane person, not being a native of Sierra Leone, shall be liable to pay to the Government all expenses which may be incurred by the Government in connection with the maintenance and transport of such idiot or insane person and his deportation from Sierra Leone.
- (2) The amount of any such expenses as aforesaid shall be recoverable in an action brought by or in the name of the Principal Immigration Officer.

PART IV.—CONDITIONS OF ENTRY.

19. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), no Entry into person shall enter Sierra Leone except upon such conditions relating to security to be furnished, duration and place of residence, occupation or business or any other matter or thing, whether similar to those before enumerated or not, as may be prescribed.

Sierra Leone.

- (2) The provisions of sub-section (1) shall not apply—
- (a) to persons who are entering Sierra Leone for a temporary visit or for the purpose of passing through Sierra Leone to, or in order to embark for, some other country in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance, or
 - (b) in any case to which the proviso to section 7 refers.
- (3) In the case of any person allowed to enter Sierra Leone under the provisions of this section no liability shall attach to the master, owner or agent of any vessel from which such person lands and the person in charge, the owner and the agent of any aircraft, motor or other vehicle shall, in like circumstances, be similarly exempt.
- 20. Where any person enters Sierra Leone in accordance with Failure to the provisions of section 19 and breaks any of the conditions comply with conditions of subject to which he was permitted entrance, then—

- (a) if the security furnished be by way of deposit such deposit may be forfeited;
- (b) if the security furnished be by bond the Attorney General or the Principal Immigration Officer may sue and recover for the use of the general revenue of Sierra Leone the amount secured by the bond;

and in any case such person may be treated as a prohibited immigrant.

21. (1) On application being made to him in the prescribed Visiting and transit manner an Immigration Officer may in his discretion issue a passes. pass, either to enter Sierra Leone for a temporary visit, such pass to be known as a visiting pass, or for the purpose of passing through Sierra Leone to, or in order to embark for, some other country, such pass to be known as a transit pass.

(2) Visiting and transit passes shall be in such form, and may be issued subject to such conditions as to the sum to be deposited therefor, duration, renewal or extension, the use to which such sum may be put if and when necessary, the return thereof or

any other matter or thing whether similar to those before enumerated or not, as may be prescribed.

- (3) (a) Where an application is made under the provisions of sub-section (1) by a person other than a prohibited immigrant who is—
 - (i) a British subject, or
 - (ii) a non-native other than a British subject in possession of a valid passport bearing an appropriate visa, or
 - (iii) a non-native who is a subject or citizen of a country in respect of which a declaration has been made under the provisions of the proviso to paragraph (f) of sub-section (2) of section 12, or
 - (iv) a native foreigner who is the subject of a direction made under the provisions of sub-section (2) of section 4 in possession of a valid passport bearing an appropriate visa,

an Immigration Officer may issue a visiting or transic pass, as the case may be, subject to such of the prescribed conditions, if any, as he, in his discretion, may think fit.

(b) Where an application is made as aforesaid by a prohibited immigrant an Immigration Officer may only issue a visiting or transit pass, as the case may be, subject to the prescribed conditions.

Penalty for outstaying or breaking condition of pass. 22. (1) Any person who, having entered Sierra Leone in pursuance of a visiting or transit pass, remains in Sierra Leone beyond the time allowed by such pass, or breaks any other condition subject to which such pass was issued, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of fifty pounds or to imprisonment for six months and may be dealt with in all respects as if he was a person whom the Court under the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 27 had recommended to the Governor for deportation.

Inspection of certificates and passes.

(2) Every person shall retain any certificate or pass issued to him under this Ordinance and shall, on demand being made by an Immigration Officer, a Police Officer of or above the rank of non-commissioned officer, produce the same for inspection.

Saving of existing passes.

23. All unexpired visiting and transit passes and deposits made in respect thereof issued and made under the provisions of the Immigration Restriction Ordinance, prior to the coming

^{*} This Ordinance was No. 11 of 1930 as subsequently amended and was Chapter 106 of the 1946 Edition of the Laws.

into operation of this Ordinance shall be dealt with as if they had been issued and made under the provisions of this Ordinance and any Rules made thereunder.

PART V.—SEAMEN.

- 24. (1) No seaman who is not a native of Sierra Leone shall Seamen not be discharged from any vessel in Sierra Leone for any reason discharged whatsoever except with the consent of an Immigration Officer, which consent shall not be given unless the master, owner or Immigration agent of the vessel shall have made arrangements to the satisfaction of the Immigration Officer, to ensure that the seaman shall not become a pauper or a public charge in Sierra Leone.
- to be without the consent of an Officer.
- (2) Any seaman who is not a native of Sierra Leone who shall be discharged for any reason whatsoever without such consent or who shall in Sierra Leone desert from his vessel or shall for any reason whatsoever be left behind may be deemed to be a prohibited immigrant and thereupon shall be dealt with in the same manner as though he had entered Sierra Leone as a prohibited immigrant.
- (3) Any person contravening the provisions of this section shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of fifty pounds or imprisonment for six months and the master, owner or agent of such vessel shall be jointly and severally liable to pay to the Government all expenses incurred in the maintenance and deportation of such seaman.
- (4) The amount of any such expenses as aforesaid shall be recoverable in an action brought by or in the name of the Principal Immigration Officer.
- (5) In this section the expression "seaman" includes every person employed or engaged in any capacity on board any vessel.
- 25. Where the master of a vessel charges any member of his Punishment crew or an extra hand before a magistrate with an offence of a member committed at some time prior to the vessel's arrival or while the of a crew or vessel is in a port in Sierra Leone then the magistrate—

extra hand.

- (a) if he convicts the person charged, may, in awarding punishment, order that on the expiration of the sentence or on the sooner readiness of the vessel to proceed to sea such person shall be conducted in custody aboard the vessel for the conveyance away from Sierra Leone:
- (b) if he discharges the person charged, shall, in the order of discharge, order such person to be immediately conveyed back to the vessel.

Stowaways to be deported. 6 of 1950.

57 and 58 Vic. c. 60. Form A.

Form B.

- 26. (1) Where a magistrate convicts any person, not being a native of Sierra Leone, of the offence of being a stowaway under sub-section (1) of section 237 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, he shall forthwith forward a certificate in the Form A in the Schedule to this Ordinance under his hand, to the Governor, who may thereupon, without further enquiry into the matter, issue an Order of Deportation in the Form B in the Schedule to this Ordinance in respect of such convicted person.
- (2) An Order of Deportation, issued under the provision of sub-section (1) hereof, shall be sufficient authority for the detention of the person named therein in lawful custody, not-withstanding that any sentence of imprisonment which may have been imposed upon him shall have expired, and for his conveyance on board the vessel on which he is to be deported and for his detention upon such vessel until the vessel finally leaves Sierra Leone.
- (3) Where an Order of Deportation has been issued under sub-section (1), it may be executed notwithstanding that any period of imprisonment imposed upon the person named therein for the offence of stowing away has not expired.
- (4) The expense of deporting a stowaway under this section shall be borne as provided in section 17.
- (5) The Governor may by Order amend or replace the forms in the Schedule to this Ordinance.

PART VI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

Deportation of certain convicted persons.

- 27. (1) If and whenever any person shall have been convicted of any offence against this Ordinance, the Court convicting such person may recommend to the Governor that such person be deported from Sierra Leone and the Governor, after considering in Council any such recommendation, may, if he thinks fit, make a deportation order requiring the person in respect of whom it is made to leave and remain out of Sierra Leone.
- (2) Whenever any recommendation has been made under sub-section (1) with respect to any person, such person may, pending the making of a deportation order and thereafter until he can conveniently be placed on board a vessel about to leave Sierra Leone or be otherwise deported, be detained in such manner as circumstances may require, and shall be deemed to be in legal custody whilst so detained and until the vessel finally leaves Sierra Leone or he is outside the frontier of Sierra Leone, as the case may be.

28. Whenever in any proceedings under this Ordinance, or Burden of whenever for any of the purposes of this Ordinance, one or more of the following questions is or are in issue—

- (a) whether any particular person is or is not in possession of a valid passport or travel certificate;
- (b) whether any particular person is or is not domiciled in Sierra Leone;
- (c) whether any particular person is or is not a native of Sierra Leone,

the burden of proof that such person is in possession of a valid passport or travel certificate, or is domiciled in Sierra Leone, or is a native of Sierra Leone, as the case may be, shall lie on the party contending that such person is in possession of a valid passport or travel certificate, or is domiciled in Sierra Leone, or is a native of Sierra Leone, as the case may be, and if such proof be not produced to the satisfaction of the Court or of the Immigration Officer, as the case may be, such person shall for the purpose of such proceedings and of this Ordinance be deemed not to be in possession of a valid passport or travel certificate, or not to be domiciled in Sierra Leone, or not to be a native of Sierra Leone, as the case may be.

29. Any person who—

Offences.

- (a) aids or assists any immigrant to enter Sierra Leone in contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance;
- (b) knowingly harbours any person whom he knows or has reasonable grounds for believing to have acted in contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance;
- (c) disobeys or disregards any obligation imposed by the provisions of this Ordinance;
- (d) makes or causes to be made any false return, false statement or false representation in connection with any obligation imposed by the provisions of this Ordinance;
- (e) resists or obstructs actively or passively any Immigration Officer in the execution of his duty;
- (f) wilfully and without lawful excuse hinders or obstructs any deportation under the provisions of this Ordinance;
- (g) gives, sells or lends any certificate, pass or permit issued to him under the provisions of this Ordinance in order that it shall be used by any other person, or uses as a certificate, pass or permit issued to him any certificate, pass or permit issued to any other person;

- (h) by false declaration obtains or attempts to obtain for himself or any other person any certificate, passport, pass or permit;
- (i) without lawful authority uses or has in his possession any forged, unlawfully altered, or irregular certificate, passport, pass or other document or any passport or document on which any visa or endorsement has been forged or unlawfully altered;
- (j) being the master of a vessel, knowingly permits any person to disembark from such vessel in contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance, or refuses to receive on board any prohibited immigrant who has disembarked from such vessel or with respect to whom a contract has been made in pursuance of the provisions of section 16, or neglects to take reasonable measures to keep on board any prohibited immigrant who has disembarked from such vessel and been replaced on board or any prohibited immigrant placed on board in accordance with the terms of any contract made in pursuance of the provisions of section 16;
- (k) being the person in charge of an aircraft, aids or abets any person to leave the precincts of the airfield or airport in contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance; or
- (l) being the person in charge of any aircraft, motor or other rehicle refuses to receive in such aircraft, motor or other vehicle any prohibited immigrant with respect to whom a contract has been made in pursuance of the provisions of section 16 or neglects to take reasonable measures to keep in such aircraft, motor or other vehicle any prohibited immigrant placed therein in accordance with the terms of any contract made in pursuance of the provisions of section 16,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine of fifty pounds or imprisonment for six months, and when the master of a vessel, or the person in charge of any aircraft or motor or other vehicle, is charged with any such offence, the clearance outward of the vessel shall be refused, and the aircraft or motor or other vehicle shall be detained until the charge has been heard or determined and the fine, if any, imposed, has been paid.

Power to make rules.

- 30. The Governor in Council may make rules for all or any of the purposes following—
 - (a) requiring the master, agent or owner of every vessel and the person in charge of any aircraft which carries any passenger other than a native of Sierra Leone or a native

foreigner from any place in Sierra Leone to any place outside Sierra Leone to furnish to such person and in such manner as may be prescribed a return giving such particulars in respect to such passenger as may be required;

- (b) requiring the master of every vessel and the person in charge of any aircraft which carries any passenger from any place outside Sierra Leone to any place in Sierra Leone to furnish to such person and in such manner as may be prescribed a return giving such particulars in respect to such passenger as may be required;
- (c) requiring the master of every vessel calling at a port in Sierra Leone, and the person in charge of any aircraft calling at any recognised aerodrome or airport, to furnish to such person and in such manner as may be prescribed a return giving the name and nationality of any member of the crew of any such vessel or aircraft;
- (d) prescribing anything which under the provisions of this Ordinance requires to be prescribed; and
- (e) generally for carrying out and giving effect to the purposes of this Ordinance.

SCHEDULE.

6 of 1950.

FORM A.

THE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION ORDINANCE.

CERTIFICATE OF CONVICTION OF A STOWAWAY.

Section 26.

Magistrate.

To the Governor.		
I,	Magistrate for the	
District, hereby certify that on this	day of	19,
I convicted	of the offence of bei	ng a stowaway
contrary to section 237 of the Mercha	nt Shipping Act, 1894, an	d did sentence
him to imprisonment for a period of	(to pay a	fine of)
And I do further certify that or	n the information laid be	fore me, I am
satisfied that the said	is not	a native of
Sierra Leone.		
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FORM B.

THE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION ORDINANCE.

Section 26.	Order of Deportation. To the Commissioner of Police and the Keeper of the Prison at				
	Magistrate, of the		•		
	being a stowaway contrary to and sentenced him to impr	o section 237 of the Me	rchant Shipping Act, 1894,		
	(to pay a fine ofwas satisfied that the said	and that	t he, the said Magistrate,		
	of Sierra Leone:				
	Now therefore this is to command you to deport the saidas soon as may be.				
	Dated this	day of	, 19		
			Governor.		