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To provide for the compulsory third party insurance of motor vehicles.

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MADE by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 2 and Article 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol of 1914.

1. (1) In this Regulation the following expressions shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them—

Interpretation.

- "motor vehicle" means every vehicle driven by automotive power, combustion engine, or electrical power;
- "road" means every road to which the public has access.
 - (2) "Companies" shall include underwriting syndicates.
- 2. The Resident Commissioners may by Joint Rules approve companies for the purpose of issuing policies of third-party insurance.

Compulsory third party insurance.

3. (1) No person shall use or cause or permit any other person to use a motor vehicle on a road unless there is in force in relation to the use of the vehicle by that person or that other person, as the case may be, a policy of third party insurance covering liability for the death or bodily injury of any person, other than a relative or friend of the driver or owner ordinarily residing with the driver or owner, as the case may be, taken out with a Company which has been jointly approved by the Resident Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of the immediately preceding Section of this Regulation.

Provided that the amount of liability insured may be limited to £4,000 or its equivalent in francs at the current rate of exchange in respect of the death or bodily injury to any one person and to £20,000 or its equivalent in francs at the current rate of exchange of any one accident or series of accidents arising out of the one event.

- (2) A vehicle in relation to which there is in force a valid comprehensive policy covering liability to the extent required in the immediately preceding sub-section of this Regulation shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of that sub-section, and shall not require an additional policy of third party insurance.
- 4. (1) If any person acts in contravention of the provisions of the immediately preceding section of this Regulation he shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £250 or its equivalent in francs at the current rate of exchange, or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Penalties.

- (2) Where any person is convicted by a competent court of an offence under the immediately preceding section of this Regulation the Resident Commissioners may, if they consider it necessary in the interests of public safety, suspend, either temporarily or permanently, that person's driving licence, and the said licence shall be endorsed accordingly.
- 5. The provisions of this Regulation shall not apply to motor vehicles owned by the British or French National Administration or to motor vehicles owned by the Condominium.

Government vehicles.

6. This Regulation shall apply to the islands of Efate and Espiritu Santo and may be applied in whole or in part by Joint Rules of the Resident Commissioners to such other parts of the Group as they may deem necessary.

Application.

7. The Joint Third Party Insurance of Vehicles Regulation No. 39 of 1966 as amended by Joint Third Party Insurance of Vehicles (Amendment) Regulation No. 44 of 1966 is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

8. This Regulation may be cited as the Joint Third Party Insurance of Vehicles Regulation No. 16 of 1967 and shall come into operation on the date of its publication in the Condominium Gazette.

Citation.

Dated at Vila this Seventeenth day of July, 1967.

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