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[The following Order in Council was published in the Swaziland Official Gazette on 12th February, 1909.]

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 21st day of *December*, 1908.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Archbishop of Canterbury.
 Lord President.
 Lord Chamberlain.
 Lord Fitzmaurice.

WHEREAS by treaty, grant, usage, sufferance, or other lawful means His Majesty the King has power, jurisdiction, and authority within the territory known as Swaziland :

And whereas it is intended that certain portions of land in the said territory shall be set apart and demarcated for the exclusive use and occupation of natives of the territory, and that the remaining portions of land in the said territory shall be granted or leased to European persons claiming rights thereto under and by virtue of concessions or grants made by the paramount chiefs of Swaziland or shall be held by His Majesty's High Commissioner for South Africa :

And whereas it is expedient that such remaining portions be vested as Crown Land in the said High Commissioner on behalf of His Majesty :

And whereas it is also expedient that all mineral rights in respect of any land in Swaziland which have not been lawfully disposed of by any such concession or grant as aforesaid be likewise vested as Crown Mineral Rights in the said High Commissioner on behalf of His Majesty :

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers by "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890," or otherwise in His Majesty vested, is

pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

I. For the purposes of this Order (1) The expression "Crown Lands" shall mean (a) any land in the said territory not being land set apart and demarcated by or on the authority of His Majesty's High Commissioner for South Africa for the sole and exclusive occupation of natives of the said territory which may be proclaimed by the High Commissioner as Crown Lands ; (b) any land within the said territory which has been or may hereafter be lawfully transferred to or expropriated by the High Commissioner in exercise of the powers in him vested by proclamation or otherwise for the peace, order, and good government of the said territory. (2) The expression "Crown Mineral Rights" shall mean any right to precious or base metals, precious stones, minerals, or mineral products in respect of any land in Swaziland (a) which has not been disposed of by any concession or grant made by a paramount chief of Swaziland and confirmed by the Chief Court constituted under section four of the Swaziland (Organic) Proclamation, 1890 ; or (b) which has been or may hereafter be lawfully transferred to or expropriated by the High Commissioner in exercise of such powers as aforesaid.

II. All the rights of His Majesty in or in relation to any Crown Lands and all Crown Mineral Rights shall vest in and may be exercised by His Majesty's High Commissioner for South Africa for the time being on behalf of His Majesty.

III. The High Commissioner may make such grants or leases of Crown Lands or of Crown Mineral Rights according to any law in force in the said territory relating to the disposal of