

Leone, lying between the sixth and tenth degrees of north latitude and the tenth and fourteenth degrees of west longitude, and commencing at the extreme southerly point of the Colony aforesaid on the Anglo-Liberian boundary, as delimited under the provisions of the Anglo-Liberian Conventions, dated the 11th November, 1885, and the 21st January, 1911, and bounded as follows:—On the west by the Colony aforesaid until it meets the Anglo-French boundary line, as delimited under the provisions of the Anglo-French Convention dated the 28th June, 1882, and the Anglo-French Arrangement dated the 10th August, 1889, the Anglo-French Agreement dated the 21st January, 1895, and the notes exchanged between Our Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and the Ambassador of the French Republic, and dated the 6th day of July, 1911; on the north-west, north and east by the said Anglo-French boundary line until it meets the Anglo-Liberian boundary line aforesaid; and, from that point, on the east and south-east by the said Anglo-Liberian boundary line until it meets the Colony aforesaid at its most southerly point.

The territories within the limits of this Order shall be known and described as the Protectorate of Sierra Leone.

III. In this Order, unless the subject or context otherwise requires—

“His Majesty” includes His Majesty’s heirs and successors.

“Secretary of State” means one of His Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State.

“Governor” means the Governor and Commander-in-Chief for the time being of the Colony of Sierra Leone, and includes every person for the time being administering the Government of the said Colony.

IV. The Governor and Commander-in-Chief for the time being of the Colony of Sierra Leone (hereinafter called the Governor) shall be the Governor of the Protectorate of Sierra Leone, and he is hereby authorized, empowered and commanded to exercise on His Majesty’s behalf all such powers and jurisdiction, as His Majesty at any time before or after the passing of this Order had or may have within the said territories, and to that end to take or cause to be taken all such measures and to do or cause to be done all such matters and things therein as are lawful and as in the interest of His Majesty’s service he may think expedient, subject to such instructions as he may from time to time receive from His Majesty or through a Secretary of State.

V. It shall be lawful for the Legislative Council for the time being of the Colony of Sierra Leone, by any ordinance or ordinances, to exercise and provide for giving effect to all such powers and jurisdiction as His Majesty at any time before or after the passing of this Order has acquired or may acquire in the said territories or any of them.

Provided as follows:—

(1) That all laws, ordinances, proclamations, byelaws and regulations of whatsoever nature in force at the date of the commencement of this Order within the said territories or any of them shall continue in force until repealed or revoked by or in pursuance of any law or ordinance passed by the Legislative Council of the Colony of Sierra Leone.

(2) That every suit, action, complaint, matter or thing which shall be depending in any Court within the said territories at the commencement of this Order shall and may be proceeded with in such Court in like manner as if this Order had not been passed.

VI. The Governor shall have a negative voice in the making and passing of all such Ordinances as aforesaid. And the right is hereby reserved to His Majesty to disallow any such Ordinances as aforesaid. Such disallowance shall be signified to the Governor through a Secretary of State, and shall take effect from the time when the same shall be promulgated by the Governor.

The right is also hereby reserved to His Majesty, with the advice and consent of Parliament or with the advice of His Privy Council, from time to time to make all such Laws or Ordinances as may appear to Him necessary for the exercise of such powers and jurisdiction as aforesaid as fully as if this Order had not been made.

VII. In the making and establishing of all such Ordinances the Governor and the Legislative Council shall conform to and observe all rules, regulations, and directions in that behalf contained in any Instructions under His Majesty’s Sign Manual and Signet, and, until further directed, the Instructions in force for the time being as to the passing of Ordinances by the said Legislative Council for the peace, order, and good government of the said Colony of Sierra Leone, shall, so far as they may be applicable, be taken and deemed to be in force in respect of Ordinances passed by the said Council by virtue of this Order.

VIII. When a Bill passed by the Legislative Council is presented to the Governor for his assent, he shall, according to his discretion, but subject to any instruction addressed to him under His Majesty’s Sign Manual and Signet or through a Secretary of State, declare that he assents thereto, or refuses his assent to the same, or that he reserves the same for the signification of His Majesty’s pleasure.

IX. A Bill reserved for the signification of His Majesty’s pleasure shall take effect so soon as His Majesty shall have given His assent to the same by Order in Council, or through a Secretary of State, and the Governor shall have signified such assent by message to the Legislative Council or by proclamation: Provided that no such message shall be issued after two years from the day on which the Bill was presented to the Governor for his assent.

X. The Courts of the Colony of Sierra Leone shall have in respect of matters occurring within the Protectorate of Sierra Leone, so far as such matters are within the jurisdiction of His Majesty, the same jurisdiction, civil and criminal, original and appellate, as they respectively possess from time to time in respect of matters occurring within the said colony, and the judgments, decrees, orders, and sentences of any such Court made or given in the exercise of the jurisdiction hereby conferred may be enforced and executed, and appeals therefrom may be had and prosecuted in the same way as if the judgment, decree, order, or sentence had been made or given under the ordinary jurisdiction of the Court.