

SECTION 33—NATIVE LAND (UNCLAIMED DEPOSITS) REGULATIONS

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*Legal Notice No. 129 of 1975*

*Short title*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Native Land (Unclaimed Deposits) Regulations.

*Advertisement of unclaimed deposits*

2. The Native Land Trust Board, hereinafter referred to as the Board, may at any time cause to be advertised, in each of the English and Fijian languages, at least twice at intervals of fourteen days in newspapers published and circulating in Fiji details of all rents, royalties and premiums in respect of leases or licences in respect of native land received by the Board and remaining unclaimed three months after the date of deposit with the Board.

*Unclaimed Deposits Reserve Fund*

3. Any such rents, royalties or premiums so deposited with the Board to which no valid claim is made at the expiration of six months from the last date of advertisement referred to in regulation 2 may be transferred to a reserve fund to be known as the Unclaimed Deposits Reserve Fund.

*Disposal of unclaimed deposits*

4. The Unclaimed Deposits Reserve Fund shall be disposed of by the Board from time to time in such manner as the Board shall deem appropriate for the furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

*Ex gratia payments*

5. For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby expressly declared that, notwithstanding any of the provisions of these Regulations, the Board may in its absolute discretion agree to make an *ex gratia* payment in full or partial settlement of any claim for the refund of a deposit submitted to the Board at any time.

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