

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency THE HIGH COMMISSIONER.

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WHEREAS, as a result of the present war, certain territory forming part of the territory of an enemy country is or may be in the effective military occupation of His Majesty the King or His Allies, or of a neutral State (in this Proclamation referred to as "territory in friendly occupation"), and certain territory forming part of His Majesty's territory or of that of an allied or neutral State, is or may be in the effective military occupation of an enemy (in this Proclamation referred to as "territory in hostile occupation");

And whereas it is expedient that the Bechuanaland Protectorate Trading with the Enemy Proclamation 1914 (herein after referred to as "the said Proclamation") should apply to territory in friendly occupation as it applies to His Majesty's territory or that of His Allies and should apply to territory in hostile occupation as it applies to an enemy country.

Now therefore under and by virtue of the powers in me vested I do hereby declare proclaim and make known as follows:—

1. The said Proclamation and any Proclamation for the time being in force in the Bechuanaland Protectorate relating to

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1915 of His Allies and to territory in hostile occupation as they
apply to an enemy country.

2. Any references to the outbreak of war in any Proclamation so applied shall, as respects territory in friendly or hostile occupation, be construed as references to the time at which the territory so became in friendly or hostile occupation.

3. The certificate of any person authorized by the High Commissioner to give such certificates that any territory is in friendly or hostile occupation within the meaning of this Proclamation, or as to the time at which any territory so became or ceased to be territory in friendly or hostile occupation, shall for the purposes of this Proclamation, be final and conclusive.

4. Nothing in this Proclamation shall be taken to prohibit anything which may be expressly permitted by any licence given by the High Commissioner or on his behalf by any officer authorized by notice in the *Gazette* to grant licences under the said Proclamation, whether such licences be specially granted to individuals or be announced as applying to classes of persons, or to prohibit any special arrangements which may be made by any such licence or otherwise with the authority of the High Commissioner for special treatment of any occupied territory or persons in any such occupied territory entitled to such special treatment.

5. This Proclamation may be cited for all purposes as the Bechuanaland Protectorate Trading with the Enemy (Occupied Territory) Proclamation 1915, and shall have force and take effect from the date of its publication in the *Gazette*.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Capetown this Fifth day of May One thousand Nine hundred and Fifteen.

BUXTON,
High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency the
High Commissioner.

C. H. RODWELL,
Imperial Secretary