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THE EMERGENCY POWERS (DEFENCE) ACTS, 1939 AND 1940.

REGULATIONS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR.

W. D. BATTERSHILL,
Governor.

I, the Governor, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Emergency Powers (Defence) Acts, 1939 and 1940, as extended to the Colony by the Emergency Powers (Colonial Defence) Order in Council, 1939, and the Emergency Powers (Colonial Defence) (Amendment) Order in Council, 1940, do hereby make the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Defence (Public Health) Regulations, 1941, and shall come into operation on the date of their publication in the *Gazette*.

2.—(1) The Director of Medical Services or a Government Medical Officer authorized by him in that behalf, if it appears to him to be necessary or expedient in the interests of public health so to do, may, with a view to preventing overcrowding in, or of improving the sanitation of, any premises in which any person is living, give directions requiring—

(a) the owner or occupier of such premises to carry out, within the period specified in such directions, such sanitary improvements as may be specified in the directions;

(b) any of the inmates of the premises to leave such premises within the period specified in such directions.

(2) If the owner or occupier of any premises fails to carry out sanitary improvements specified under paragraph (1) (a) of this regulation, the Director of Medical Services or any person authorized by him in that behalf may carry out the same, and any expenses so incurred shall be recoverable by the Director of Medical Services from the owner or occupier of the premises, unless in his opinion such owner or occupier is from poverty or any other cause unable to pay such expenses in which case it shall be defrayed from the general revenue of the Colony.

(3) If any person required to leave any premises under paragraph (1) (b) of this regulation fails so to do, it shall be lawful for any member of the Cyprus Police Force to eject such person.

(4) For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these regulations the Director of Medical Services or any person authorized by him in that behalf may enter any premises between the hours of sunrise and sunset, and if the owner or occupier of such premises obstructs or prevents such entry or if it is impossible otherwise to effect entry it shall be lawful for the Director of Medical Services or such authorized person to break open the premises for the purpose of entry.

(5) Any person who—

(a) obstructs or prevents the Director of Medical Services, or any duly authorized person, in the execution of his duties under these regulations; or

(b) fails to comply with any direction given under paragraph (1) of this regulation,

shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Made at Nicosia, this 29th day of June, 1941.

(M.P. 652/41.)