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A LAW FOR THE BETTER PROTECTION OF THE REVENUE
DERIVED FROM SALT.

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Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Salt Law.

Property and
control of
salt vested
in the
Government.

2. The entire property in and control of all salt naturally formed within any part of the Colony is and shall be vested in the Government of Cyprus.

Collection
and manu-
facture of
salt pro-
hibited save
under
permit.

3. (1) No person shall collect any salt naturally formed, or manufacture salt by any process whatsoever within any part of the Colony except with the written permission of the Comptroller previously obtained.

(2) Any person acting in contravention of subsection (1) hereof shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to imprisonment not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding five pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine and in addition thereto he shall pay a sum at the rate of twenty-five mils for every oke of salt so collected or manufactured.

Taking of
salt from
salt pans,
etc., pro-
hibited.

4. Any person who takes any salt from any salt pan, salt lake, salt heap or place in which salt is collected or kept on behalf of the Government of Cyprus shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to imprisonment

not exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine and shall in addition thereto pay a sum at the rate of twenty-five mils for every oke of salt so taken.

5. Any person who shall have in his possession or knowingly conceal in any place whatever or shall be concerned in the removal of any salt collected, manufactured, or taken contrary to the provisions of this Law shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment not exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine and in addition thereto he shall pay a sum at the rate of twenty-five mils for every oke of salt found in his possession or so concealed or removed.

Concealment or removal of salt.

6. Any person who attempts to commit an offence against this Law or aids, abets, counsels or procures any other person to commit an offence against this Law shall be liable to the same punishment and forfeiture as if he had committed an offence under this Law.

Attempt or aiding, etc., to commit offence.

7. Any salt in respect of which any offence has been committed under the provisions of this Law shall be forfeited.

Forfeiture of salt.

8. Any ship, boat, carriage, motor vehicle or other means of conveyance whatsoever together with any animal made use of in the collection, taking, concealment or removal of any salt in respect of which an offence has been committed under the provisions of this Law shall be forfeited.

Forfeiture of means of conveyance used in collection, etc., of salt.

9. The Comptroller, any Collector of Customs, any peace officer and any officer of Customs and Excise duly authorized by a Collector of Customs in that behalf may without warrant—

Power to Comptroller, etc., to search.

- (a) enter and search any place or premises whereon or wherein he has reasonable ground to believe that there is salt collected, taken, concealed or removed in contravention of this Law ;
- (b) inspect and search any ship, boat, carriage, motor vehicle or other means of conveyance whatsoever, or any person whom he has reasonable ground to suspect of collecting, taking, concealing or removing any salt in contravention of this Law.

Governor
may direct
return of
ship, etc.,
forfeited.

10. The Governor may direct any ship, boat, carriage, motor vehicle or other means of conveyance forfeited under this Law to be delivered to the owner thereof upon such terms and conditions, including the payment of any sum in lieu of forfeiture, as to him may seem fit.

Compound-
ing offences.

11. The Comptroller may compromise and compound any action or proceeding which shall at any time hereafter be necessary or commenced by his authority or under his control against any person for contravention of any of the provisions of this Law on such terms and conditions as he shall in his discretion think proper, with full power for him or any of his officers or agents by him duly authorized in that behalf to accept any penalties so incurred or alleged to have been incurred or any part thereof without action or other proceeding brought or commenced for the recovery thereof.

Reward to
informers.

12. A reward not exceeding one-half of the fine imposed by the Court before which an offence under this Law is tried or the penalty recovered under the provisions of section 11 hereof, may be awarded by the Governor to any person who shall have given information which led to the apprehension of the offender.