IN THE COURT OF APPEAL, FIJI ISLANDS

CIVIL APPEAL NO.ABU0014 OF 1999S

(High Court Civil Action No. HBC 496 of 1992S)

BETWEEN:

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF FIJI

MINISTER FOR JUSTICE

First Appellant

FIJI TRADE AND INVESTMENT BOARD

Second Appellant

AND:

PACOIL FIJI LIMITED

Respondent

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Appellant

AND:

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MINISTER OF JUSTICE

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FIJI TRADE AND INVESTMENT BOARD

Second Respondent

Coram:

The Rt. Hon. Sir Maurice Casey, Presiding Judge

The Hon. Sir Mari Kapi, Justice of Appeal

The Hon. Mr Justice Gordon Ward, Justice of Appeal

Hearing:

Wednesday, 23 February 2000, Suva

Counsel:

Messrs. R. Smith and F. Hanif for the Attorney General and Fiji

Trade and Investment Board

Mr. A. Singh for Pacoil Fiji Limited

Date of Decision:

Thursday, 24 February 2000

DECISION OF THE COURT

The abovenamed appellants seek leave to appeal to the Supreme Court against the decisions of this Court given on 29 November 1996 and 7 January 2000. We are

satisfied that the questions raised are of significant public importance and certify accordingly in terms of $\mathfrak{s}.122(2)$ (a) of the Constitution.

Leave to appeal is granted.



Sir Maurice Casey Presiding Judge

Sir Mari Kapi Justice of Appeal

Justice Gordon Ward Justice of Appeal

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Solicitors:

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