

PETROLEUM (PROSPECTING AND MINING) ORDINANCE (No. 2) 1951.^{(1) (2)}

No. 9 of 1951.

An Ordinance to amend the Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining) Ordinance 1951.

BE it ordained by the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Papua and New Guinea Act 1949-1950*, as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining) Ordinance (No. 2) 1951.*^{(1) (2)} Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining) Ordinance 1951* is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining) Ordinances 1951.*

2. This Ordinance shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice⁽¹⁾ in the *Gazette*. Commencement.

3. Section seventeen of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting paragraph (b) of sub-section (1.) thereof and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— Limitation of permits, licences and leases.

“(b) a permittee, licensee or lessee applies for the issue or grant of a further permit, licence or lease, respectively, in respect of such an area of land that, if the application were granted—

(i) the area of land held by the permittee under the permits in any one of the Territory of Papua and the Territory of New Guinea would exceed ten thousand square miles;

(ii) the area of land in any one of the Territory of Papua and the Territory of New Guinea held by the licensee under the licences would exceed five thousand square miles; or

(1) For particulars of the *Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining) Ordinance (No. 2) 1951*, see footnote (1) printed in this Volume on p. 730.

(2) The amendment made by the *Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining) Ordinance (No. 2) 1951* to the *Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining) Ordinance 1951* (printed in this Volume on pp. 730-772) has been indicated by a footnote to the latter Ordinance.

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(iii) the area of land in any one of the Territory of Papua and the Territory of New Guinea held by the lessee under the leases would exceed two thousand five hundred square miles, the Administrator shall not issue or grant the permit, licence or lease unless the Governor-General, after the Minister has obtained a report from the Administrator and from the Oil Advisory Committee, authorizes him to do so.”.