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A LAW TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE FIXING OF QUOTAS IN RESPECT OF TEXTILE GOODS MANUFACTURED IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

1949 Cap. 107.

[16th June, 1934.]

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Importation of Textiles (Quotas) Law.

Interpretation.

2. In this Law—

"the British Empire" means the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Dominions, India, the territories administered by Her Majesty's Governments in the Dominions under Mandate or otherwise, the British Colonies, the British Protectorates, and protected States, and the Mandated Territories of Tanganyika, the Cameroons under British Mandate and Togoland under British Mandate;

"foreign country" means any country or territory not being a part of the British Empire;

"prescribed" means prescribed by Regulations under this Law;

"quota" means the quantity of textile goods or any class or classes of textile goods manufactured in any individual foreign country which may be imported during any period in accordance with a proclamation made by the Governor under section 3 of this Law;

"quota period" means any period in respect of which any quota has been fixed by the Governor under section 3 of this Law;

"regulated textiles" means any textile goods, and any class or classes of textile goods manufactured in a foreign country, in respect of which any quota has been fixed by the Governor under section 3 of this Law.

3. (1) The Governor may fix by proclamation to be Fixing of published in the Gazette the total quantity of textile goods or of any class or classes of textile goods manufactured in any foreign country which may be imported during any period.

(2) The quota period specified in any proclamation made in accordance with subsection (1) of this section may commence prior to the date of the coming into operation of this Law; and any imports of regulated textiles between the commencement of the period and the date of the coming into operation of this Law may be taken into account for the purposes of section 5 of this Law:

Provided that no importation made prior to the date of the coming into operation of this Law shall constitute an offence under section 7 of this Law.

4. No person shall import any regulated textiles unless he Returns and shall, at the time of importation, submit to the Comptroller declarations of origin. in the prescribed form a return of the quantity, class, and origin of the goods imported and a declaration of origin:

Provided that, during a period of three months after the date of the coming into operation of this Law, imports of regulated textiles may, at the discretion of the Comptroller, and subject to such conditions as he may impose either generally or in any particular case as to the subsequent submission of evidence of origin, be admitted without the submission of such a declaration of origin.

5. (1) The imports of regulated textiles manufactured in Records of any foreign country shall be separately recorded by the imports and publication Comptroller.

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- (2) Any person may at any time on payment of the prescribed fee, require the Comptroller to furnish a statement of the total quantity already imported of any regulated textiles manufactured in any individual foreign country during any quota period and the Comptroller shall furnish such statement accordingly.
- (3) When the imports of any regulated textiles manufactured in any foreign country during any quota period

attain the quota prescribed in respect of such textiles for such country in that period, the Governor shall issue a notice to that effect in the Gazette; and such notice shall specify the foreign country, the regulated textiles and the quota period to which it refers.

Prohibition of imports in excess of quota.

6. Upon the issue of a notice under subsection (3) of section 5 of this Law further imports of the regulated textiles concerned manufactured in the country specified therein shall be prohibited until the end of the quota period:

Provided that notwithstanding anything in this Law, the Governor may, if he thinks fit, in any proclamation issued under this Law, direct that regulated textiles in excess of the several quotas therein fixed may be imported on payment of such duties in addition to those prescribed by the Customs Tariff Law, or any enactment amending or substituted for the same, as may be specified in the proclamation, and accordingly this Law shall have effect subject to such direction.

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Offences and penalties.

7. Any person who shall knowingly import any regulated textiles contrary to the provisions of section 4 or section 6 of this Law or shall fail to comply with any conditions imposed by the Comptroller under the proviso to the said section 4 shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to imprisonment not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds or to both.

Regulations.

8. The Governor may make Regulations to be published in the Gazette for giving effect to the provisions of this Law.