



THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (URGENCY SIGNAL) ORDER 1932

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 10th day of November, 1932

Present :

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL

WHEREAS by subsection (1) of section 25 of the Merchant Shipping (Safety and Load Line Conventions) Act, 1932, it is provided that His Majesty may by Order in Council prescribe what signals shall be signals of urgency :

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, and by virtue of the authority conferred on Him by the aforesaid Act and of all other powers enabling Him in that behalf,* is pleased to order, and doth hereby order, as follows :—

1. The following signal shall be a signal of urgency, that is to say :—

Several repetitions of the group XXX in the Morse Code sent by radiotelegraphy with the letters of each group and the successive groups clearly separated from each other.

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889†, shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Urgency Signal) Order 1932, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1933.

M. P. A. HANKEY.

* The Merchant Shipping (Safety and Load Line Conventions) Act, 1932 (Imperial), 22 & 23 Geo. 5, c. 9, is not in force as part of the law of New Zealand. This Order is regarded as being enacted for New Zealand under the authority of section 434 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (Imperial), 57 & 58 Vic., c. 60, still in force as part of the law of New Zealand.

† 52 & 53 Vic., c. 63.

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These regulations are administered in New Zealand by the Marine Department.