

# Pitcairn Trials Act Commencement Order 2003

### Silvia Cartwright, Governor-General

## **Order in Council**

At Wellington this 17th day of February 2003.

Present:

Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 2 of the Pitcairn Trials Act 2002, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following order.

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- 1 Title This order is the Pitcairn Trials Act Commencement Order 2003.
- 2 Commencement of Pitcairn Trials Act 2002 The Pitcairn Trials Act 2002 comes into force on 14 March 2003.

Marie Shroff, Clerk of the Executive Council.

#### **Explanatory note**

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order brings into force, on 14 March 2003, the Pitcairn Trials Act 2002. The Act arises from an Agreement (dated 11 October 2002) between the Government of New Zealand and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning Trials under Pitcairn Law in New Zealand and Related Matters. The purpose of the Act is to make provision to implement in New Zealand law New Zealand's obligations under the Agreement. To that end, the Act provides—

- for Pitcairn Courts to sit in New Zealand for the purpose of holding certain trials under Pitcairn law; and
- for the enforcement in New Zealand, if New Zealand agrees, of certain sentences imposed and orders made in those trials by a Pitcairn Court sitting in New Zealand.

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This order is administered in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.