

REGULATION 9.—MINISTER MAY DIRECT EMPLOYEES TO REMAIN IN SPECIFIED INDUSTRIES.

The Minister may, if it appears to him to be necessary or expedient so to do for securing the public safety, the defence of New Zealand, or the efficient prosecution of any war in which His Majesty may be engaged, or for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community, direct that any persons or class of persons who are employed in any specified industry or undertaking (whether pursuant to a direction under the last preceding regulation or otherwise) shall not relinquish employment in that industry or undertaking without first obtaining the consent of the Minister.

REGULATION 10.—ADVISORY BODIES.

(1) For the purpose of assisting the Minister in the exercise of his powers under the last two preceding regulations the Minister may appoint an Advisory Council consisting of such persons as the Minister thinks fit.

(2) The functions of the Advisory Council shall be to advise the Minister as to any matters referred to it by him relating to the administration of these regulations and, if requested by the Minister so to do, to formulate proposals or plans for the utilization of the services of reservists with a view to securing the maximum efficiency.

(3) The Minister may also, if he thinks it expedient so to do, appoint advisory committees and may define their functions.

(4) The Advisory Council and every advisory committee appointed under this regulation shall hold office during the pleasure of the Minister, and shall be subject in all things to the control of the Minister.

REGULATION 11.—APPEALS AGAINST MINISTER'S DIRECTIONS.

(1) Any person affected by any direction given by the Minister under Regulation 8 or Regulation 9 hereof may at any time appeal to the Minister on the ground that by reason of his domestic circumstances or the state of his health or for any other reason compliance by him with the direction would be a cause of undue hardship.

(2) Upon receiving any such appeal the Minister shall cause the circumstances to be fully investigated and he may refer the appeal to an Appeal Board or to the Advisory Council or to any advisory committee appointed as aforesaid for inquiry and report, and if the Minister deems it just and equitable so to do he shall revoke or vary the direction in so far as it affects the appellant or take such other action in relation thereto as he thinks fit.

REGULATION 12.—PERSONS ENGAGED IN ESSENTIAL OCCUPATIONS.

(1) In this regulation the expression "person engaged in an essential occupation" means—

- (a) A man called up for service with any armed force, if an appeal on the ground that by reason of his occupation his calling up is contrary to the public interest has been allowed or adjourned, or if his obligation of service has been suspended by an Appeal Board pending the hearing of an appeal on that ground; or
- (b) A voluntary recruit, if he has been granted leave of absence from his duties as a member of any armed force on the ground that by reason of his occupation his calling up for service is contrary to the public interest;
- (c) A person directed by the Minister to perform any services under Regulation 8 hereof;
- (d) A person directed by the Minister under Regulation 9 hereof not to relinquish employment in any industry or undertaking.