Minister of National Service appointed.

Official Secretary's Office, Government House, Wellington, 21st June, 1940.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to appoint The Minister of Public Works to be the Minister of National Service for the purposes of the National Service Emergency Regulations 1940.

By command,

D. E. FOUHY, Official Secretary.

The General Reserve Classification Order 1940.

Pursuant to Regulation 5 of the National Service Emergency Regulations 1940* the Minister of National Service doth hereby order as follows:

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the General Reserve Classification Order 1940.
   (2) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, expressions defined in the National Service Emergency Regulations 1940 shall have the meanings so defined.

2. The Reserve shall consist of three divisions, to be distinguished as the First Division, the Second Division, and the Third Division thereof.

* Statutory Regulations 1940, Serial number 1940/117.
3. (1) The First Division shall consist of all male reservists who are natural-born British subjects and who for the time being are unmarried within the meaning of this Order and have attained the age of nineteen years but have not attained the age of forty-six years, with the following exceptions:—

(a) Members of any armed force who are liable as such members for service outside New Zealand:
(b) Men who have been discharged in consequence of disablement or ill health from any armed force after service in that force outside New Zealand during the present war:
(c) Men undergoing a sentence of imprisonment for a term not less than one year, or in confinement as of unsound mind.

(2) The Second Division shall consist of all male reservists who are natural-born British subjects and who for the time being are married within the meaning of this Order and have attained the age of nineteen years but have not attained the age of forty-six years, with the exceptions specified in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of the last preceding clause.

(3) The Third Division shall consist of all other reservists.

4. The First Division is hereby divided into classes as follows:—

(a) Class A shall comprise all reservists of the First Division who for the time being have attained the age of twenty-one years but have not attained the age of forty-one years.
(b) Class B shall comprise all reservists of the First Division who for the time being have not attained the age of twenty-one years.
(c) Class C shall comprise all reservists of the First Division who for the time being have attained the age of forty-one years.

5. For the purposes of this Order, every man shall be deemed to be unmarried if for the time being—

(a) He has never been married; or
(b) He is married but his marriage took place on or after the 1st day of May, 1940, and he has no children; or
(c) He is a widower with no children; or
(d) His marriage or (if he has been married more than once) his latest marriage has been dissolved or he is judicially separated from his wife by decree of judicial separation, separation order, or otherwise, and he has no children,—

and all other men shall be deemed to be married.

6. (1) For the purposes of this Order, the term "child" is used irrespectively of age, and—

(a) Includes a child legally adopted by the reservist before the 1st day of May, 1940, if the reservist was married before that date, but includes no other adopted children:
(b) Includes a child of the wife of the reservist if the reservist married the mother of that child before the 1st day of May, 1940; and includes no other step-children;
(c) Includes a legitimated child of the reservist if the reservist married the mother of that child before the 1st day of May, 1940, but includes no other legitimated children.

(2) For the purposes of this Order a child who has been legally adopted by any person shall not be regarded as a child of his natural parents.

(3) If any child of a reservist has during the present war died while a member of any armed force, that child shall for the purposes of this Order be regarded as one of the children of that reservist in the same manner as if he had been still living.

Dated at Wellington, this 24th day of June, 1940.

D. WILSON,
For the Minister of National Service.

By Authority: E. V. PAUL, Government Printer, Wellington.