

DECISION

A single copy of the above paperback was imported by a commercial firm and seized at Auckland in September 1981. As the importer has disputed forfeiture the Customs Department has referred the publication to the Tribunal for classification, prior to the commencement of condemnation proceedings, pursuant to the Customs Act 1966, with the recommendation that the book should be declared to be indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 16 years.

Little Birds Erotica is a paperback, 159 pages in length, published in 1980.

Anais Nin, who is now deceased, having died in 1974, was a noted writer of both serious fiction and non-fiction. In the early 1940's she began writing erotica on a commercial basis, for the sum of "a dollar a page", a literary venture which is described in her earlier book, *Delta of Venus: Erotica*. This publication was considered by the Tribunal to be indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 16 years (Decision No.'s 920 (handbook) and 924 (paperback), 12 April 1979).

The short stories included in *Little Birds Erotica* all centre on a sexual theme, sometimes explicit in detail, and designed to titillate the reader, although well written and of a high literary appeal.

In his submission, Mr Leloir states that according to the information supplied in the preface to *Little Birds Erotica* the stories were written at about the same time as Nin's earlier book, *Delta of Venus*. In giving its decision the Tribunal commented that *Delta of Venus* contained frankness in the description of sexual encounters, but the stories were "easily distinguished from run-of-the-mill pornography by their literary character".

It appears that the publication under consideration is similar in content and style to the earlier book, and warrants a restriction rather than an indecent classification. The publication *Little Birds Erotica* is therefore classified as indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 16 years.

W. M. WILLIS, District Court Judge, Chairman.

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Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975

PURSUANT to section 10 of the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975, notice is given that an integration agreement has been signed between the Minister of Education and the proprietor of the following school.

Monte Cecilia School, Hillsborough Road, Mount Roskill, Auckland.

The said school will enter into the State education system in accordance with the provisions of the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975 with effect from 8 December 1982.

Copies of the integration agreement are available for inspection without charge by any member of the public at the Department of Education, Head Office, Government Buildings, Lambton Quay, Wellington and at regional offices.

Dated at Wellington this 6th day of December 1982.

J. S. JOLLIFF, for Director-General of Education.

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Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975

PURSUANT to section 10 of the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975, notice is given that an integration agreement has been signed between the Minister of Education and the proprietor of the following school.

Francis Douglas Memorial College, New Plymouth.

The said school was entered into the State education system in accordance with the provisions of the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975 with effect from 9 June 1982.

Copies of the integration agreement are available for inspection without charge by any member of the public at the Department of Education, Head Office, Government Buildings, Lambton Quay, Wellington and at regional offices.

Dated at Wellington this 3rd day of December 1982.

J. S. JOLLIFF, for Director-General of Education.

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The Weights and Measures (Dual Denominations) Notice (No. 2) 1982

Revoked 19 87 / 123 / 80

PURSUANT to section 4A of the Weights and Measures Amendment Act 1976 (as inserted by section 2 of the Weights and Measures Amendment Act 1980), the Minister of Labour, being satisfied—

- (a) That the goods specified in the Schedule to this notice are part of a line of goods intended for sale by retail both—
 - (i) In New Zealand; and
 - (ii) In a country in which the denomination of an Imperial weight or measure is required by law to be marked on the package in which the goods are enclosed; and
- (b) That the quantity of that line of goods to be sold by retail in New Zealand is too small to justify the cost of marking the packages of the goods that are to be sold in New Zealand differently from the packages of the goods that are to be sold by retail in a country outside New Zealand,—

hereby gives the following notice.

NOTICE

1. Title and commencement—(1) This notice may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Dual Denominations) Notice (No. 2) 1982.
(2) This notice shall come into force on the day after the date of its publication in the *Gazette*.

2. Use of Imperial weights authorised—(1) In the case of the goods specified in the Schedule to this notice, any of the net Imperial weights of the denominations specified in that Schedule in relation to those goods is hereby authorised to be used (in addition to the equivalent metric weight) on the packages of any such goods displayed or exposed for sale by retail.

(2) It is a condition of the authority conferred by subclause (1) of this clause that the denomination of the Imperial weight used be not given greater prominence than the denomination of the metric weight used.

SCHEDULE

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GOODS IN RESPECT OF WHICH THE USE OF IMPERIAL WEIGHTS (IN ADDITION TO METRIC WEIGHTS) IS AUTHORISED

Goods	Net Imperial Weight	Equivalent Net Metric Weight
Hand-made shortbread made to an old fashioned 100 percent butter recipe (having as ingredients flour, butter, and sugar) and sold under the brand name Joyce Landers New Zealand Export	7 oz	200 g
	13¼ oz	375 g
	18 oz	500 g

Dated at Wellington this 9th day of December 1982.

JIM BOLGER, Minister of Labour.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This notice authorises the use of certain Imperial weights (in addition to the equivalent metric weights) on the packages of certain goods sold by retail in New Zealand. It is a condition of the authority conferred by this notice that the denomination of the Imperial weight be not given greater prominence than the denomination of the metric weight.

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Fire Service Act 1975

CONTRIBUTIONS BY INSURANCE COMPANIES AND RETURNS OF PREMIUM INCOME

1. In terms of section 51 of the above Act, it is hereby notified that the returns required by that section, showing the total gross amount of premiums received by or due to insurance companies or reinsurance companies during the year ended 31 December 1982 shall be sent to the New Zealand Fire Service Commission on or before 28 February 1983.

2. The attention of all persons, companies and associations, being owners of property in respect of which premiums are paid to a fund or to an insurance company not carrying on business in New