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## CHAPTER 153

## SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY

AN ACT TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CORPORATION TO BE KNOWN AS THE SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY AND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONTROL OF, AND ASSISTANCE TO, THE TOURIST INDUSTRY, AND FOR MATTERS INCIDENTAL THERETO AND CONNECTED THEREWITH

13 of 1969  
11 of 1970  
9 of 1971  
LN 46A of 1978  
LN 88 of 1978

[Pts. I,II,III,IV & VI (except  
for s. 37-1st April, 1970)  
[Pt V & s. 37-1st February, 1972]

## PART I

## PRELIMINARY

1. This Act may be cited as the Solomon Islands Tourist Authority Act.

Short title

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—
- “Authority” means the Solomon Islands Tourist Authority established by section 3, and, in relation to any power or function delegated to any person under section 15, includes that person;
- “Chairman” means the Chairman of the Authority;
- “member” includes the Chairman.

Interpretation

## PART II

## ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AUTHORITY

3.—(1) There is hereby established an Authority to be known as the Solomon Islands Tourist Authority which shall be a body corporate under that name, with perpetual succession and a common seal.

Establishment  
and  
incorporation of  
the Authority

(2) The Authority shall have power to acquire, hold and dispose of real and personal property.

(3) The Authority may sue and be sued in its corporate name.

(4) Service of any document on the secretary of the Authority shall be deemed to be service on the Authority.

4.—(1) The affixing of the common seal of the Authority shall be authenticated by the signatures of—

Authentication of  
the common seal

(a) the Chairman or some other member of the Authority authorised for that purpose by the Authority either generally or specially; and

(b) one other person being a member, officer or servant of the Authority authorised for that purpose by the Authority, either generally or specially.

(2) Any instrument purporting to be an instrument duly executed under the seal of the Authority shall be received in evidence and shall, unless the contrary is proved, be deemed to be an instrument so executed.

Certain contracts and instruments not required to be under seal

5. Any contract or instrument which, if entered into or executed by a person not being a body corporate, would not be required to be under seal, may be entered into or executed on behalf of the Authority by any person generally or specially authorised by the Authority for that purpose.

Objects of the Authority  
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6. The objects of the Authority shall be—

(a) to foster the orderly development of tourism in the Solomon Islands;

(b) to stimulate the acceptance of the tourist industry and the recognition of its value;

(c) to establish and operate or assist tourist bureaux;

(d) to promote and control the provision and improvement of facilities and attractions for tourists;

(e) to secure local and overseas publicity for tourist facilities and attractions in Solomon Islands;

(f) to co-ordinate the activities of persons providing or intending to provide services for visitors to Solomon Islands;

(g) to provide to visitors such protection and safeguards as to it may seem appropriate and practicable; and

(h) to make recommendations to and advise the Minister in relation to any measures which may be taken to further any of the foregoing matters.

Membership  
LN 46A of 1978

7. The Authority shall consist of not more than ten members all of whom, including the Chairman, shall be appointed by the Minister and of whom at least—

(a) three members shall be Solomon Islanders within the meaning of section 2 (1) of the Land and Titles Act;

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(b) three members shall be representative of the fields of trade, commerce, entertainment or transport connected with the tourist industry or representative of interests otherwise connected with that industry; and

(c) one member shall be a public officer:

Provided that the Minister shall at all times ensure that the aggregate of members who are Solomon Islanders as aforesaid and of members who are public officers, exceeds the number of members who are representative of the fields and interests described in paragraph (b).

8. The members of the Authority shall, unless they earlier vacate their offices or die or resign or unless their appointments are revoked by the Minister, hold office for such period not exceeding two years as shall be specified at the time of appointment and shall be eligible for reappointment.

Tenure of office  
LN 46A of 1978

9. A member of the Authority shall be deemed to have vacated his office—

Vacation of office  
LN 46A of 1978

(a) if he becomes bankrupt, applies to take the benefit of a law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors, compounds with his creditors or makes an assignment of his salary or fees for their benefit;

(b) if he is absent, except on leave granted by the Chairman, from two consecutive meetings of the Authority;

(c) if he is certified to be insane or adjudged to be of unsound mind under any law for the time being in force in Solomon Islands; or

(d) if he is sentenced to a term of imprisonment without the option of a fine.

10. A member may be paid and receive from the funds of the Authority such attendance allowance in respect of his services on the Authority and such allowances for travelling and subsistence in such circumstances as may be generally or specially determined by the Minister.

Remuneration of members  
LN 46A of 1978

11.—(1) The Authority shall meet at such times and places as the Chairman considers necessary.

Meetings and quorum

(2) One half of the members actually appointed shall form a quorum.

(3) All questions shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present at any meeting of the Authority.

(4) In the absence of the Chairman from any meeting of the Authority the members present shall appoint one of their number to preside at that meeting.

(5) At any meeting of the Authority the Chairman, or in his absence the member presiding, shall have a deliberative vote and in the case of equality of votes shall also have a casting vote.

(6) The Authority shall keep records of its proceedings.

(7) The Authority may make rules, not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, governing its meeting procedure.

**12.** If a member has any pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in any contract or other matter and is present at a meeting of the Authority at which the contract or other matter is the subject of consideration, he shall at the meeting, as soon as practicable after the commencement thereof, disclose the fact, which shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting, and thereupon such member may take part in the consideration or discussion of the contract or matter, but shall not vote or otherwise take part in the decision of the Authority thereon.

**13.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Authority shall have all such powers as may be necessary to carry out its objects under section 6 and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, the Authority may—

(a) acquire any property whether real or personal by transfer, purchase, gift, devise, demise or bequest or otherwise and control and manage that property;

(b) sell, let or hire any property and apply or invest the proceeds therefrom for the purposes of this Act;

(c) establish, operate or assist tourist bureaux for the purposes of giving information, advice and assistance to tourists and persons who may wish to visit Solomon Islands;

(d) produce literature, maps, photographs, pamphlets, posters, models, films, radio tapes, notice boards, signposts, timetables and other similar devices containing information and publicity about places of interest in Solomon Islands and sell, distribute and display them;

(e) arrange lectures, talks, interviews and exhibitions for the purposes of informing the public about places of tourist interest in Solomon Islands;

Pecuniary  
interest to be  
disclosed

Powers of the  
Authority  
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(f) organise tourist expeditions to places of tourist interest;

(g) advise and assist persons desiring to establish, maintain and extend tourist facilities;

(h) co-operate with private organisations in co-ordinating services for tourists;

(i) co-operate with such persons, authorities or institutions as it thinks fit for the development and protection of, and access to, places of tourist interest;

(j) solicit gifts, subscriptions and donations; and

(k) engage in any other activity whether similar to those heretofore specified or not, which may be sanctioned by the Minister by order.

**14.—(1)** Where the proprietor of tourist facilities invites the Authority to inspect them, the Authority may do so and may issue to the proprietor a certificate setting out the Authority's assessment of the facilities.

Authority may  
assess tourist  
facilities and  
issue certificates

(2) Where the Authority has issued such a certificate it may, from time to time, at intervals not exceeding one year, again inspect the facilities in respect of which the certificate has been issued, and issue to the proprietor a fresh certificate based on the Authority's re-assessment of the facilities.

(3) A proprietor to whom a certificate has been issued under this section shall ensure that, in any advertisement relating to his tourist facilities, no reference is made to any assessment by the Authority of those facilities other than a reference to the last such assessment made by the Authority, being an assessment made not earlier than one year before the date of the advertisement.

(4) Any proprietor of tourist facilities who contravenes subsection (3), or who fails to ensure that in any advertisement relating to his tourist facilities no false claim is made to any assessment thereof by the Authority, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of two hundred dollars.

(5) No action shall lie against the Authority nor against any of its members, officers or servants in respect of any assessment or certificate made or issued in good faith under this section.

**15.—(1)** The Authority may by writing under its seal delegate to a person any of its powers and functions under this Act (except this power of delegation), so that the delegated powers and func-

Power of  
delegation by the  
Authority  
LN 46A of 1978

tions may be exercised by the delegate with respect to the matters or class of matters, or to the whole of Solomon Islands or part of Solomon Islands, specified in the instrument of delegation.

(2) A delegation under this section shall be revocable at will and no delegation shall prevent the exercise of a power or function by the Authority.

Address

16. The Authority shall establish an office in Honiara and in such other places as it considers necessary to which communications and notices may be sent.

Authority to have due regard to customs, culture, etc  
LN 46A of 1978

17. In exercise of its powers and discharge of its functions under this Act, the Authority shall have due regard to the customs, culture, traditions, beliefs and welfare of the indigenous inhabitants of Solomon Islands.

Power of the Minister in relation to the Authority  
LN 46A of 1978

18.—(1) The Minister may, after consultation with the Authority, give to the Authority directions of a general character as to the discharge by the Authority of its functions in relation to matters appearing to the Minister to affect the public interest, and the Authority shall give effect to such directions.

(2) The Minister may, after consultation with the Authority, give to the Authority specific directions for the purposes of remedying any defect which may be disclosed in the general arrangements of the Authority for the discharge of its functions under this Act, and the Authority shall give effect to any such directions.

(3) The Authority shall afford to the Minister facilities for obtaining information with respect to the property and functions of the Authority, and shall furnish him with returns, accounts and other information with respect thereto and afford to him facilities for the verification of information furnished in such manner and at such time as he may require.

## PART III

## PROVISIONS RELATING TO STAFF

Officers of the Authority

19. The Authority may appoint and employ on such terms and conditions as it may from time to time determine a secretary and such other officers and servants as it may consider necessary for the proper and efficient carrying out of the functions of the Authority.

20. The Authority may expend moneys out of its funds for the purpose of—

(a) subsidising any scheme or system of endowment assurance or other form of retirement benefit which may be approved by the Authority for the benefit of all or any of its officers or servants;

(b) granting gratuities in individual cases, or in accordance with any scheme or system instituted by the Authority, to any of its officers or servants who shall not be entitled to be contributories to any subsidised scheme or system of endowment assurance or other form of retirement benefit established by the Authority under the foregoing provisions of this section or for whose case such last-mentioned scheme or system, in the Authority's opinion, is not suitable or should not be applicable, or to any dependants of any such officer or servant; and

(c) making loans to any of its officers or servants, on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Authority, for the purpose of purchasing real property for the residential use thereof by such persons or for such other purposes specifically approved by the Authority as likely to increase the effectiveness of such persons in their services to the Authority.

Power of Authority to establish monetary schemes for officers and employees

## PART IV

## FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

21. The Authority shall open and keep such banking accounts as it may from time to time deem fit and cheques and orders for the payment of money from such accounts shall be signed by at least two authorised persons including at least one member of the Authority.

Banking account

22. The Authority may borrow by way of temporary loan or overdraft any sum or sums which the Authority may temporarily require for the purpose of defraying its administrative expenses, up to such limit as may from time to time be fixed by the Minister of Finance.

Temporary loans for administrative purposes  
LN 46A of 1978

23. The Authority may from time to time with the consent of and upon such terms and conditions as may be approved by the Minister of Finance raise loans for the purpose of exercising its powers and carrying out its objects and obligations under this Act.

Power to raise loans  
LN 88 of 1978

## Security

24. The repayment of any money borrowed or loans raised under the provisions of the last two preceding sections and the payment of interest thereon may be secured by mortgage, debenture or other charge upon the assets of the Authority.

## Income

25. For the purpose of raising funds for defraying its administrative expenses and carrying out any of its objects, the Authority shall have power to—

- (a) receive the proceeds of such levies, rates and charges as may be prescribed;
- (b) solicit and receive grants or contributions as may be available from any persons and the Government; and
- (c) use such other means as may from time to time be expedient to raise funds.

Investment of  
funds  
LN 46A of 1978

26. The Authority may invest and deal with any moneys in and upon such investments and securities allowed by the law for the time being applicable in Solomon Islands for the investment of trust funds or such other investments or securities as may be approved by the Minister of Finance for the purpose of this section.

## Accounts

27. The Authority shall keep proper accounts and records of the transactions and affairs of the Authority and shall do all things necessary to ensure that all payments out of the moneys of the Authority are correctly made and properly authorised and that adequate control is maintained over the assets of the Authority and the incurring of liabilities of the Authority.

## Auditor

28.—(1) The Authority shall, subject to the approval of the Minister of Finance, appoint an auditor and have power to terminate such appointment.

(2) The Authority shall determine the annual remuneration of the auditor.

## Financial year

29. The financial year of the Authority shall end on the thirtieth day of September in each year.

Annual report,  
accounts and  
returns  
LN 46A of 1978  
11 of 1970,  
sched.

30.—(1) The Authority shall furnish to the Minister as soon as possible after the expiration of each financial year a report upon the operation of the Authority together with a balance sheet and statement of revenue and expenditure of the Authority duly audited by the auditor.

(2) The report, balance sheet and statement shall be laid before the National Parliament and may in addition be published in such manner as the Minister may deem fit.

## PART V

## CONTROL OF TOURIST FACILITIES

31. In this Part, except where the context otherwise requires—

“enterprise” means any service, transport arrangement, tour promotion, guided tour, entertainment, shop or retail service, intended for or availed of primarily by tourists and given, operated, carried out or conducted regularly or as a business and for the purpose of profit or reward;

“facility” means any land, building, wharf, swimming pool or other construction or improvement which, for the purpose of profit or reward, is intended for use or permitted to be used primarily by tourists;

“tourist” includes any person who, for the purpose of recreation, sightseeing or holidaying, is not residing at his ordinary place of residence.

32. Subject to the provisions of this Act, any person who undertakes, operates, conducts or provides or who permits to be undertaken, operated, conducted or provided any enterprise or facility otherwise than under and in accordance with a licence issued under this Part shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of one thousand dollars.

33.—(1) Upon application therefor made in such manner as it may require and payment of the prescribed fee, if any, the Authority may issue a licence authorising any enterprise or facility subject to such terms and conditions as it shall therein specify.

(2) The Authority may refuse to issue a licence and it shall record its reasons for so doing.

(3) A licence shall be valid for such period as shall be prescribed.

(4) Any person who is aggrieved by the terms and conditions of a licence issued to him or by the refusal to issue to him a licence under this section may appeal in writing to the Minister whose decision thereon shall be final and shall not be questioned in any proceedings whatsoever.

Interpretation

Unlicensed  
tourist  
enterprises and  
facilities  
prohibitedLicences for  
tourist  
enterprises and  
facilities  
9 of 1971, s. 2  
LN 46A of 1978

Cancellation of  
certain licences  
9 of 1971, s. 3

**34.**—(1) The Authority, if satisfied that any of the terms and conditions of a licence have been contravened, may, by notice served upon the licensee or upon any person managing or conducting the enterprise or facility licensed—

(a) require that the terms and conditions of the licence be complied with within such period as it may specify in such notice; or

(b) cancel the licence:

Provided that the cancellation shall not have effect until the period of one month within which the licensee may appeal under subsection (2) has elapsed, and, if an appeal is filed within that period, until its decision thereon is made known by the court.

(2) Any licensee whose licence is cancelled by the Authority may within one month of the service of the notice thereof under subsection (1) appeal to a Magistrate's Court and the decision of the court shall be final and shall not be questioned in any proceedings whatsoever.

Power to inspect  
licensed facilities  
and enterprises

**35.**—(1) The Authority shall have power to enter and inspect at all reasonable times any facility licensed under this Part for the purpose of satisfying itself that the provisions of this Act and the licence relating to the facility are being complied with:

Provided that no premises or part thereof used as a dwelling-house shall be entered without the consent of the occupant unless twenty-four hours notice of the intention so to do shall have been given to the licensee, owner or occupant.

(2) It shall be the duty of every licensee holding a licence under this Part, and of every employee or agent of such licensee, to afford to the Authority all reasonable assistance for the purpose of inspecting the enterprise or facility licensed and any licensee, employee or agent who refuses or fails so to do or who obstructs the Authority in the inspection of the enterprise or facility shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of one hundred dollars or to imprisonment for three months or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

#### PART VI

#### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Liability of  
members,  
officers and  
servants of the

**36.** No member, officer or servant of the Authority shall be personally liable for any act or default done or omitted to be done in good faith under the provisions of this Act and any sums

of money, damages or costs which may be recovered against them or any one of them in respect of any such act or default shall be paid out of the funds of the Authority.

Authority

**37.**—(1) No person shall use as part of any title of any business or activity carried on, or any association in Solomon Islands, any of the words "visitor" or "tourist" or any of their grammatical variations and cognate expressions without the prior approval of the Authority, and the Authority may in writing require any person to cease such use.

Restriction on  
use of the words  
"visitor" and  
"tourist"  
LN 88 of 1978

(2) Any person who contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) or who fails to comply with a requirement made thereunder shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of one hundred dollars and to a further fine of two dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction.

**38.** The Minister, after consultation with the Authority, may make regulations for the better carrying out of the provisions and purposes of this Act, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power such regulations may—

Regulations  
LN 46A of 1978

(a) prescribe anything by this Act required or authorised to be prescribed;

(b) impose levies, rates and charges upon visitors and upon persons engaged in the provision of facilities for visitors or deriving profit from the tourist industry and provide for the collection and recovery of such levies, rates and charges and for matters incidental thereto and connected therewith;

(c) require statistical returns to be made to the Authority upon matters relating or incidental to the objects and functions of the Authority and generally to visitors and the tourist industry;

(d) exempt any person, organisation, facility or enterprise or class or description thereof from all or any of the provisions of this Act.

## CHAPTER 153

## SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY

*Subsidiary Legislation*

## THE TOURIST AUTHORITY REGULATIONS

[1st February 1972]

LN 6/1972  
LN 33/1980  
LN 8/1984  
LN 57/1990  
LN 75/1995

## Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Tourist Authority Regulations.

Charges  
First Schedule

2. The charges set out in the First Schedule shall be payable to the Authority in respect of the various matters therein contained.

Levies  
Second Schedule  
LN 33/1980

3. The levies set out in the Second Schedule shall be payable each year to the Authority in respect of the various matters therein contained:

Provided that in the case of any facility or enterprise first coming into operation, the levy payable shall be that part of the annual levy in the proportion that the unexpired portion of the calendar year bears to one year.

Duration of  
licence  
Third Schedule

4. A licence issued under section 33 of the Act in respect of an enterprise or facility of the value specified in the first column of the Third Schedule shall be valid for the period specified in relation thereto in the second column of that Schedule.

Exemption, etc.,  
from payment of  
charges or levies

5. The Minister acting in his discretion may exempt any religious, charitable, benevolent or educational institution or organisation undertaking, operating, conducting or providing any enterprise or facility from payment of any charges or levies prescribed by these Regulations or may reduce, waive or refund, in whole or in part, any such charges or levies which would otherwise be payable by any such institution or organisation.

Recovery of  
levies, etc  
LN 33/1980

6. Levies, rates and charges imposed by these Regulations may be recovered as a civil debt in a court and such proceedings may be commenced and prosecuted by an officer of the Authority duly authorised in that behalf.

FIRST SCHEDULE  
(Regulation 2)

## CHARGES

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| 1. Charge for inspection of tourist facility under section 14 of the Act: | \$1.00 plus travelling expenses necessarily incurred for the purposes of inspection. |
| 2. Charge for certificate issued under section 14 of the Act.             | \$2.00   |
| 3. Charge for issue of sticker for motor vehicle:                         | \$1.00   |

SECOND SCHEDULE  
(Regulation 3)

LN 75/1995

## Levies

| Categories of persons engaged in the provision of facilities for visitors or deriving profit from the tourist industry.                                      | Facility, Service or Enterprise                        | Basis for Assessment        | Unit Levy per calendar year or otherwise |
|--|--|-----------------------------|--|
| 1  | 2  | 3                           | 4  |
| 1. Tour Operators receiving request from tourist or on their behalf for any purpose mentioned in Column 2, before the arrival of tourists in Solomon Islands | Organising tours or providing tours or both            | Flat rate                   | \$100.00 per calendar year               |
| 2. Tour Operators who receive such requests when tourists are in Solomon Islands   | Organising tours or providing tours or both            | Flat rate                   | \$50.00 per calendar year                |
| 3. Business establishments specified below:  | Providing accommodation and other services to tourists | Percentage of total charges | 10%                                      |



## (A) ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS

## HONIARA

1. Solomon Kitano Mendana Hotel
2. Honiara Hotel
3. Hibiscus Hotel
4. Iron Bottom Sound Hotel
5. Lelei Resort
6. Airport Motel
7. Quality Motel
8. Super Accommodation
9. Pakoe Lodge
10. Tropicana Motel
11. Motel Tropics
12. Talise Motel
13. Lengakiki Apartment
14. Fountain Family Inn
15. Travellers Motel
16. Kukum Transit
17. SSEC Transit
18. United Church Rest House
19. Bina Boli Rest House
20. Church of Melanesia Rest house
21. Mbua Valley Transit Lodge (BG Kolaridge Motel)
22. Bilikiki Cruise Live-a-Board
23. Testimony Motel
24. Waikaru Transit Accomodation
25. Blue Lagoon Cruise Live-a-Board

## GUADALCANAL PROVINCE

26. Tambea Holiday Beach Resort
27. Tavanipupu Island Resort
28. Vulelua Island Resort

## WESTERN PROVINCE

- |  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| 29. Gizo Hotel                             | Gizo             |
| 30. Divers Lodge                           | Gizo             |
| 31. Pheobes Rest House                     | Gizo             |
| 32. Nello's Villa                          | Gizo             |
| 33. M.J.S. Rest House                      | Gizo             |
| 34. Naqua Rest House                       | Gizo             |
| 35. R.D. Rest House                        | Gizo             |
| 36. Noro Lodge                             | Noro             |
| 37. Agnes Lodge & Hopei Island Guest House | Munda            |
| 38. Maqarea Island Resort                  | Munda            |
| 39. Somba Rest House                       | Munda            |
| 40. Lubaria Island Guest House             | Roviana Lagoon   |
| 41. Zipale Habu Resort                     | Vona Vona Lagoon |
| 42. Uepi Island Resort                     | Marovo Lagoon    |
| 43. Matikuri Island Lodge                  | Marovo Lagoon    |
| 44. Shortland Islands Guest House          | Shortlands       |

## MALAITA PROVINCE

- |                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| 45. Auki Lodge        | Auki   |
| 46. Daves Transit     | Auki   |
| 47. Malu'u Lodge      | Malu'u |
| 48. Auki Motel        | Auki   |
| 49. Auki Dragon Motel | Auki   |

## CENTRAL PROVINCE

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|----------------------------------|--------|
| 50. Tulagi Provincial Rest House | Tulagi |
| 51. Vanita Accommodation         | Tulagi |
| 52. Legelau Accommodation        | Savo   |

## YSABEL PROVINCE

- |                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| 53. Diocese of Ysabel Rest House | Buala |
| 54. Mothers Union Rest House     | Buala |
| 55. Ysabel Provincial Rest House | Buala |

## RENNELL AND BELLONA PROVINCE

- |                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| 56. Tahamatangi Guest House          | Rennell |
| 57. Sauni Guest House                | Bellona |
| 58. Aotaha Rest House                | Bellona |
| 59. Provincial Government Rest House | Rennell |

## TEMOTU PROVINCE

- |                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 60. Ngarando Rest House          | Reef Islands |
| 61. Provincial Rest House        | Lata         |
| 62. Fresh Water Point Rest House | Lata         |

## MAKIRA ULAWA PROVINCE

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|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| 63. Provincial Government Rest House | Kira Kira |
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## (B) DIVE &amp; TOUR OPERATORS

## WESTERN PROVINCE

- |                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| 1. Solomon Sea Divers    | Munda |
| 2. Adventure Sports Gizo | Gizo  |
| 3. Barava Tours          | Gizo  |

## HONIARA

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|----------------------------------|---------|
| 4. Island Dive Services          | Honiara |
| 5. Dive Solomons                 | Honiara |
| 6. Tour Solomons                 | Honiara |
| 7. Discover Solomon Island Tours | Honiara |
| 8. Ra'anihai Tours               | Honiara |
| 9. Guadalcanal Travel Service    | Honiara |

## (C) TRANSPORT OPERATORS

1. Budget Rent-a-Car
2. Avis Hire Cars
3. Kosol Corporation Limited Hire Car
4. Harvest Pacific Taxi Service
5. Sombagi Transev Taxi Service
6. Ocean Navigation Limited
7. Solomon Airlines

## (D) RESTAURANTS

## HONIARA

1. Laeprouse Restaurant
2. Sea King Restaurant
3. Hong Kong Palace
4. South Sea Restaurant
5. Thai Restaurant & Kai Bar
6. Mandarin Restaurant
7. Super Club Restaurant
8. Lelei Resort Restaurant
9. Capitana Restaurant

Solomon Kitano Mendana Hotel

## OTHER PROVINCES

10. Trescols Island Restaurant
11. Louisa Palace Restaurant
12. Gizo Hotel Restaurant
13. Agnes Lodge Restaurant

Gizo  
Auki  
Gizo  
MundaTHIRD SCHEDULE  
(Regulation 4)

## DURATION OF LICENCE

| Value of enterprise or facility | Period of validity |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Over \$ 150,000              | 50 years           |
| 2. \$100,000-\$150,000          | 25 years           |
| 3. \$50,000-\$100,000           | 15 years           |
| 4. \$25,000-\$50,000            | 10 years           |
| 5. \$10,000-\$25,000            | 5 years            |
| 6. \$10,000-or under            | 1 year             |

THE TOURIST AUTHORITY LICENSING REGULATIONS  
(Section 38)

LN 98/1985

[29th November 1985]

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Tourist Authority Licensing Regulations.

Citation

2. In these Regulations, the expression "licence" means a licence issued by the Authority authorising the undertaking, operating, conducting or providing an enterprise or facility.

Interpretation

3.—(1) An application for the issue or renewal of a licence shall be made to the Authority in Form 1 in the Schedule.

Application for licence and fee

(2) A fee of twenty-five dollars shall be paid to the Authority in respect of the application.

4. A licence shall be in Form 2 in the Schedule and, subject to section 34(1) of the Act, shall be valid for one year from the date it is issued or renewed.

Form of licence and period of validity

5. A licence issued or renewed by the Authority shall be subject to the following terms and conditions—

Terms and conditions of licence

(a) the licensee shall display a copy of the licence in a conspicuous place on his facility or place of enterprise;

(b) the licensee shall, within seven days after the last day of each month, provide the Authority with the following—

(i) a return, in Form 3 in the Schedule, for the relevant month;

(ii) any change in the number of his employees and the circumstances surrounding, or reasons for, the change;

(iii) the authorised monthly levy in regards to the enterprise or facility; and

(iv) information regarding any arrangement of staff training courses whether locally or overseas;

(c) the licensee shall keep and maintain his place of enterprise or his facility in a good and hygienic condition;

(d) the licensee shall not cause or permit to be caused in his place of enterprise or on his facility any act which is likely to disturb any tourist who is a guest at the place of enterprise or at the facility;

(e) the licensee shall inform the Authority, or provide the Authority with a copy, of any complaint made to him by any tourist who is or was a guest at the place of enterprise or at the facility in regards to the conditions or services provided thereat;

(f) the licensee shall comply with all reasonable instructions given to him by the Authority, its servant or agent, in regards to the conditions of or services provided at the place of enterprise or facility; and

(g) that the information contained in the application for the licence and the monthly return required under paragraph (b) (i) are correct.

Surrender of licence and transferability

6.—(1) The licensee shall surrender the licence to the Authority within seven days of the occurrence of any of the following—

(a) where the licence is cancelled under section 34(1)(b) of the Act; or

(b) when the licence is not renewed.

(2) No licensee shall transfer, lend or part with possession of the licence to another person.

Savings and transitional

7.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), any licence issued or renewed prior to the commencement of these regulations shall remain good and valid until they are cancelled or amended or until their period of validity expires.

(2) Regulations 5 and 6 shall apply to a licence referred to in paragraph (1) as from the date of commencement of these Regulations.

SCHEDULE

FORM 1

SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY ACT

SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY

No:.....of 19.....

APPLICATION FOR LICENCE (s. 33 and reg.3(1))

1 Name of applicant: Nationality: Marital Status:

2 Address – in Solomon Islands:

Overseas:

3 Brief description of the kind of enterprise or facility applying for:

4 In the case of an application for facility, briefly describe the services that the facility is intended to provide:

5 Where services involve provision of accommodation or transport, state the number of rooms/seats:

- (a) Standard: .....
(b) First Class: .....
(c) Deluxe: .....

6 No. of persons employed or intended to be employed:

- (a) local: .....
(b) foreign: .....

7 If company or other commercial entity is or is intended to be formed to own the enterprise/facilities, state:

- (a) How many directors or shareholders there are:
(b) How many of the directors or shareholders are locals and how many are foreigners:

8 In the case of an application for renewal of licence, state:

- (a) the licence No.....
(b) Date licence was first issued.....
(c) No. of times the licence had previously been renewed:.....

9 If applicant is a foreigner, state whether or not Foreign Investment Division's approval has been obtained. (If approval has been obtained, please attach copy of it to this application).

Dated the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_\_

Signed:.....  
Applicant

Note:

- (a) This application must be lodged with the Authority with a fee of \$25.00. If the application is refused the \$25.00 will be refunded.
- (b) Copies of current certificates (or other documents), if any, issued by the Health or Fire authorities in respect of the enterprise/facility must also be attached to this application.
- (c) Applicant is reminded that it is a condition of the licence, if issued, that all information contained in this application must be true.

FORM 2

SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY ACT  
SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY

No:.....of 19.....

LICENCE  
(s.33(1) and reg. 4)

This licence is issued pursuant to section 33(1) of the Solomon Islands Tourist Authority Act to—

Mr/Mrs/Miss.....of.....  
to provide the following enterprise or facility services—

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This licence is valid until the.....of.....  
19.....

Dated the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_\_

.....Chairman

.....Secretary

FORM 3

SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY ACT  
SOLOMON ISLANDS TOURIST AUTHORITY

MONTHLY RETURN  
(reg. 5(b)(i))

Name of licensee .....

Licence Number .....

Enterprise/facility in respect of which Return is made.....

This Return is made for the month of.....19.....

| Name of tourist | Address | Date and time of arrival | Date and time of departure |
|-----------------|---------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
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Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 19.....

Signed:.....  
Licensee