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**FOREST RESOURCES AND TIMBER UTILISATION ACT
(Cap. 40)****EXEMPTION ORDER**

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 4 (1) (c) of the Forest Resources and Timber Utilisation Act (Cap.40), I Dickson Mua, Minister for Forestry and Research hereby make this Order –

1. That Lands referred to in Schedule 1 of this Order are exempted from the provisions of section 4 of the Forest Resources and Timber Utilisation Act (Cap.40) and the provisions of the Forest Resources and Timber Utilisation (Protected Species) Regulations 2012 including any subsequent amendments therein.
2. That Lands are to be used for agricultural purposes and to be certified by the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development.
3. All felling of logs in the specified lands shall comply with the terms and conditions of special permit to be issued by the Commissioner of Forest.
4. Logs felled under clause 3 of this Order including any logs that are considered as protected species under Regulation 4 of the Forest Resources and Timber Utilisation (Protected Species) Regulation 2012, shall be exported and sold in processed form pursuant to the law of Solomon Islands.
5. Records of logs felled, exported or sold shall be furnished to the Commissioner of Forest within 14 days of the export or sale of such logs.

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6. Any person who contravenes any of the clauses in this Order is deemed to have committed an offence under section 4 of the Act, as if the exemption were not granted under this Order.

Made at Honiara this fifth day of September, 2014.

HON. DICKSON MUA, (MP)
Minister for Forestry and Research

SCHEDULE

The lands referred to in Clause 1 of this Order are described as follow –

- (1) Tumuku, Japuana, Kaurujeu Islands, Gatokae Island, Marovo Western Province.
- (2) Talau Customary Land Reserved Area, Pavuvu Island, Russell Islands.