LEGAL NOTICE No. 171

## THE FORESTS ACT

(Cap. 385)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 15 of the Forests Act, the Minister for Environment makes the following Rules:—

## THE FORESTS (SUSPENSION OF TIMBER HARVESTING AND STONE QUARRYING) RULES, 1999

- 1. These Rules may be cited as the Forests (Suspension of Timber Harvesting and Quarrying) Rules, 1999.
- 2. The carrying out of the activities specified in the first column of the Schedule in the forest areas specified in the second column is suspended.
- 3. No person or vehicle shall enter or remain in the forest areas specified in the Schedule for the purpose of engaging in any activity the carrying out of which is suspended under these Rules.
- 4. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of these Rules shall be guilty of an offence.
- 5. (1) The suspension imposed under these Rules shall unless earlier revoked be for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of publication of these Rules.
- (2) The Minister shall, before the expiry of ninety days as provided under paragraph (1) cause such studies as he may specify to be conducted in the forest areas set out in the Schedule and may upon the conclusion of such studies revoke the suspension or extend the period of its application for such further period as he may deem appropriate:

Provided that the Minister may at any time during the suspension exempt any forest or part thereof from these Rules upon receipt of a satisfactory status assessment report and a sustainable felling plan from the Chief Conservator of Forests.

## **SCHEDULE**

Activity	Forest Area
1. Timber harvesting	All forest areas
2. Quarrying	Oloolua Forest

Dated the 17th November, 1999.

FRANCIS NYENZE,
Minister for Environment.