STATUTORY RULES.

1918. No. 50.

REGULATIONS UNDER THE WAR PRECAUTIONS ACT 1914-1916

WAR PRECAUTIONS (SUPPLEMENTARY) REGULATIONS—ADDITION.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Regulation under the War Precautions Act 1914-1916 to come into operation forthwith.

Dated this twentieth day of February, 1918.

R. M. FERGUSON,

Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

G. F. PEARCE, Minister of State for Defence.

WAR PRECAUTIONS (SUPPLEMENTARY) REGULATIONS 1916.

Addition.

The War Precautions (Supplementary) Regulations 1916 are amended by inserting the following new Regulation after Regulation 35:--

"36. (1) For the purposes of this regulation—

Supplies for

- "Commonwealth" includes any Department, Minister, or Commonwealth. Officer of the Commonwealth;
- "Supplies" includes clothing, equipment, foodstuffs, or other commodity used by or required for the use of the Forces notified by the Minister by notice in the Gazette as being supplies within the meaning of this regulation.
- (2) Any person who either as principal or agent makes or enters into or is or continues to be a party to any contract, agreement, undertaking, or understanding (not being a contract with the Commonwealth) by or under which there is or may be fixed or determined or which provides for or has for its object or one of its objects the fixing or determining of a minimum price for supplies shall be guilty of an offence against the Act.
- (3) Any person who requests, persuades, or in any manner induces any other person—
 - (a) not to sell or offer to sell supplies to the Commonwealth;
 - (b) not to sell or offer to sell supplies to the Commonwealth at less than a price fixed or approved by such first-mentioned person,

shall be guilty of an offence against the Act.

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- (4) Any person who—
 - (a) fails or refuses to sell or deliver to any other person; or
- (b) requests, persuades, or in any manner induces any person not to sell or deliver to any other person, supplies of raw material used in the manufacture of supplies on

the ground that that other person—

(a) has sold or offered to sell supplies to the Commonwealth:

(b) will not agree or has not agreed not to sell or offer to sell supplies to the Commonwealth.

at a price less than a price fixed or approved by the first-mentioned person or by any association or body of persons corporate or unincorporate, shall be guilty of an offence against the Act.

(5) In a prosecution under this regulation any matter purporting to be printed, written or signed by or with the authority of a person shall be admissible in evidence against that person unless he proves that it was not in fact printed, written or signed by him or with his knowledge, consent or authority.