WHEREAS by section two of the Cockatoo and Schnapper Islands Act 1949, it is provided that that Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Commonwealth of Australia this 28th day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign.

By His Excellency's Command,  
WILLIAM JOHN McKELL  
Minister of State for the Navy.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

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RULES CONTROLLING THE UTILIZATION BY COMMONWEALTH DEPARTMENTS OF THE SERVICES OF THE COMMONWEALTH REPORTING BRANCH.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Rules controlling the utilization by Commonwealth Departments of the services of the Commonwealth Reporting Branch, to come into operation forthwith.

Dated this sixteenth day of August, 1950.

W. J. McKELL  
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,  
J. A. SPICER, Attorney-General.

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COMMONWEALTH REPORTING BRANCH RULES.  
Short title.

1. These Rules may be cited as the Commonwealth Reporting Branch Rules.

Definitions.

2. In these Rules unless the contrary intention appears—
   "Department" includes any branch of a Department and any authority under the Commonwealth.
   "Permanent Head" includes the Chief Officer of any Branch of a Department or of any authority under the Commonwealth.
   "The Branch" means the Commonwealth Reporting Branch.
   "The Secretary" means the Secretary to the Attorney-General's Department.

Services not available except in accordance with Rules.

3. The services of the Branch shall not be available to any Department, except in accordance with these Rules.

Applications for reporting.

(4.)—(1.) Any Department which desires the services of the Branch shall apply in writing to the Secretary.

(2.) Each application under this Rule shall be lodged with the Secretary, (except in cases of great urgency) not less than fourteen days prior to the date upon which the services of the Branch are required:

Provided that, where the Secretary is satisfied that in any case, owing to the urgency of the matter it is impossible to make the application at least fourteen days prior to that date, the Secretary may deal with an application lodged with him less than fourteen days prior to that date.