

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999, No. 26

The Non-Citizens Land Holding Regulation (Montserrat Evacuee) (Exemption) Order, 1999 made by the Governor-General under section 23 of the Non-Citizens Land Holding Regulations Act Cap. 293.

1. This Order may be cited as the Non-Citizens Land Holding Regulation (Montserrat Evacuee) (Exemption) Order, 1999. Short title.

2. Subject to the conditions contained in the Second Schedule hereto, the class of persons specified in the First Schedule is exempted from the provisions of section 18 of the Non-Citizens Land Holding Regulations Act, Cap. 293. Exemption.

FIRST SCHEDULE

The class of non-citizens for the purposes of this Order are nationals of Montserrat who as a direct result of the Soufrière Hills Volcanic Eruption have been certified by the Chief Immigration Officer to have lived for a consecutive period of not less than four (4) years since June 1995 in Antigua and Barbuda.

SECOND SCHEDULE

(1) The class of persons specified in the First Schedule shall prior to obtaining an exemption under the Non-Citizens Land Holding Act submit to the Minister with responsibility for lands the following:

- (a) an application containing the name, age and address of the applicant;
- (b) a certificate from the Chief Immigration Officer verifying the residency of the applicant prior to the coming into force of this Order;
- (c) a description of the land to be bought or leased.

(2) Any land acquired under this exemption order shall not exceed one acre to a single applicant and such exemption shall be noted in the encumbrance section of the land Register.

(3) A person who belongs to the class of non-citizens as defined in the First Schedule is entitled to only one exemption.

(4) Where a national of Montserrat, being a person exempted under the Non-Citizens Land Holding Act, intends to sell, lease or mortgage land bought under the term of this Order to a person who is not a citizen, such sale, lease or mortgage shall not be subject to an exemption under this Order nor be exempted from stamp duty.

Made this 16 day of June, 1999.

Yvonne Maginley,
Governor-General's Deputy.

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