Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1577-97, 3 December 1997

An Act respecting the civil aspects of international and interprovincial child abduction (R.S.Q., c. A-23.01)

Application of the Act respecting the civil aspects of international and interprovincial child abduction to the Special Administrative Region of Hong Kong, China

WHEREAS under section 41 of the Act respecting the civil aspects of international and interprovincial child abduction (R.S.Q., c. A-23.01), the Government, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Justice and, as the case may be, of the Minister for Canadian Intergovernmental Affairs or the Minister of International Relations, shall designate by order published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* any State, province of territory in which it considers that Québec residents may benefit from measures similar to those set out in that Act;

WHEREAS under that same section, the order shall indicate the date of the taking of effect of the Act for each State, province or territory designated in it;

WHEREAS the Special Administrative Region of Hong Kong, China, became a party to the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction and that Convention came into force for that State on 1 September 1997;

WHEREAS the Government considers that Québec residents may benefit in that State from measures similar to those set out in the Act respecting the civil aspects of international and interprovincial child abduction;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Justice and of the Minister of International Relations:

THAT the Special Administrative Region of Hong Kong, China, be designated as a State to which the Act respecting the civil aspects of international and interprovincial child abduction applies and that the Act take effect, in respect of that State, on 1 September 1997.

MICHEL CARPENTIER, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1582-97, 3 December 1997

Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1)

Forest royalties — Amendment

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting forest royalties

WHEREAS under paragraph 1 of section 172 of the Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1), the Government may, by regulation, determine, for each species, group of species and quality of timber, the unit rate or the rules of calculation of the unit rate at which the Minister is to determine, for any class of forest management permit, the dues payable by the permit holder;

WHEREAS by Order in Council 372-87 dated 18 March 1987, the Government made the Regulation respecting forest royalties;

WHEREAS the first paragraph of section 5 of the Regulation fixes, for the 1994 to 1997 years, the unit rate applicable to the holder of a forest management permit for sugar bush management for acericultural purposes;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the first paragraph of that section to fix the unit rate applicable for 1998;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), the text of the draft Regulation was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 1 October 1997 with a notice that it could be made by the Government upon the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of State for Natural Resources:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting forest royalties, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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