

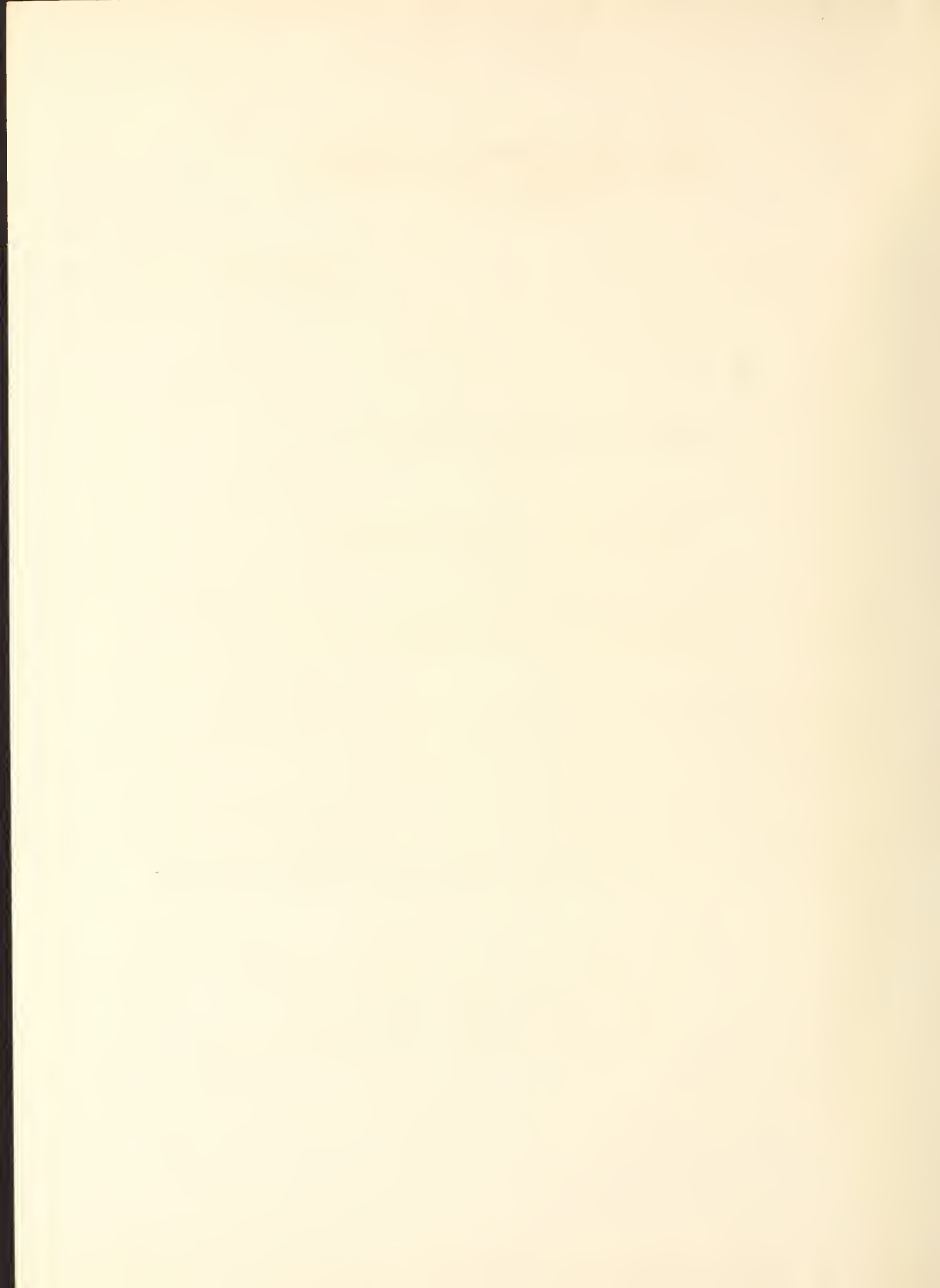
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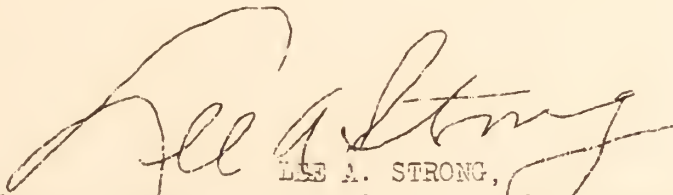
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This summary of the plant-quarantine import restrictions of the Presidency of the Virgin Islands has been prepared for the information of nurserymen, plant-quarantine officials, and others interested in the exportation of plants and plant products to those islands.

It was prepared by Harry B. Shaw, Plant Quarantine Inspector in Charge, Foreign Information Service, Division of Foreign Plant Quarantines, from the original texts of the Plants Protection Ordinance 1897, and the Proclamation of December 27, 1935, and reviewed by the Agricultural Authority of the Presidency.

The information contained in this circular is believed to be correct and complete up to the time of preparation, but it is not intended to be used independently of, nor as a substitute for, the original texts, and it is not to be interpreted as legally authoritative.


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BASIC LEGISLATION

The Plants Protection Ordinance, No. 3 of June 10, 1897.

This Ordinance authorizes the Governor and Legislative Council to impose restrictions or prohibitions on the importation into the Presidency of the Virgin Islands of plants and plant products in the following terms:

Section 1. The Ordinance may be cited as "The Plants Protection Ordinance 1897."

Sec. 2. Prohibits the introduction of coffee plants and uncured berries (Coffea spp.) from Ceylon, Mauritius, Reunion, Fiji, Southern India, Sumatra, Java, and Natal, to prevent the introduction of the coffee berry borer (Stephanoderes (coffeae) hampei Hagedorn) and other injurious insects and diseases.

Sec. 3. (1) The Governor may, by proclamation, prohibit either absolutely or conditionally the importation into the Presidency of any plants, seeds, berries, earth, soil, or other article or thing packed therewith, or any goods, packages, covering, or other articles or things which there shall be reason to believe to be affected with disease, or which may have come either directly or indirectly from any country or place named in such proclamation, or which in his judgment, may be likely to communicate disease to plants.

(2) Any proclamation under this Ordinance may be varied or revoked by the like authority.

Sec. 4. Any person contravening Section 2 of this Ordinance or any proclamation published thereunder shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding 20 pounds.

Sec. 5. Every article or thing imported into the Presidency in contravention of this Ordinance or of any proclamation thereunder may be seized by any Treasury or Revenue Officer or by any member of the Leeward Islands Police Force and shall be forfeited, and may be destroyed or otherwise dealt with as the Governor may direct.

PROCLAMATION OF DECEMBER 27, 1935

PROHIBITING THE IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN PLANTS AND PLANT PRODUCTS

This proclamation prohibits absolutely the importation into the Presidency of the Virgin Islands of the articles mentioned in the First Schedule, and prohibits conditionally the entry of those named in the Second Schedule.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Importation Absolutely Prohibited

BANANA FRUITS (Musa spp.): Importation prohibited from all countries except Barbados and the other islands of the Leeward Islands Colony (Anguilla, Antigua, Barbuda, Dominica, Montserrat, Nevis, Redonda, and St. Kitts), to prevent the introduction of the Panama wilt disease (Fusarium cubense E.F.Sm.).

LIME FRUITS (Citrus aurantifolia Swingle): Importation prohibited from Bahamas, Bermuda, British Guiana, St. Lucia, Trinidad, and all other countries except the other islands of the British West Indies not mentioned in this paragraph, to prevent the introduction of wither-tip disease (Colletotrichum gloeosporioides Penz.).

ALL OTHER FRUITS except plantains, nuts, dried, canned, candied or other processed fruits: Importation prohibited from Bahamas, Bermuda, British Guiana, and all other countries except the British Isles, Canada, the British West Indies, and Virgin Islands, U.S.A., and the United States of America, to prevent the introduction of the Mediterranean fruit fly (Ceratitidis capitata Wied.).

ALL VEGETABLES except onions, Irish potatoes, canned or processed vegetables: Importation prohibited from Bahamas, Bermuda, British Guiana, and all other countries except the British Isles, Canada, and the British West Indies, to prevent the introduction of the Mediterranean fruit fly (Ceratitidis capitata Wied.).

SOIL: Importation prohibited from the same sources as in the preceding paragraph, to prevent the introduction of injurious soil fungi and insects.

SECOND SCHEDULE

Importation Conditionally Prohibited

SUGARCANE, sugarcane seedlings, and plants and all parts of the sugarcane (Saccharum officinalis L.): Importation prohibited from all countries except under license granted by the Governor, to prevent the introduction of mosaic or yellow mottling disease.

BANANA PLANTS and parts thereof (Musa spp.): Importation prohibited except under license granted by the Governor, from Bahamas, Bermuda, British Guiana, Central America, Dutch Guiana, and any island or place in the West Indies except Barbados and the other islands of the Leeward Islands Colony, to prevent the introduction of Panama wilt disease (Fusarium cubense E. F.Sm.).

CITRUS PLANTS, ROOTED: Importation prohibited from Cuba, Haiti, Jamaica, Dominican Republic, and the United States of America, unless under license granted by the Governor, and also unless accompanied by a certificate signed by a responsible inspecting officer stating that the district from which such plants originate has not been affected by, or has been free for the preceding two years from citrus canker (Bacterium citri (Hasse)Doidge).

LIME PLANTS and parts thereof (Citrus aurantifolia Swingle): Importation prohibited from British Guiana, Dominica, St. Kitts, St. Lucia and Trinidad, unless under license granted by the Governor, to prevent the introduction of wither-tip (Colletotrichum gloeosporioides Penz.).

LIME FRUITS: Importation prohibited from Dominica and St. Kitts, except under license granted by the Governor, to prevent the introduction of wither-tip (Colletotrichum gloeosporioides Penz.).

COTTONSEED, COTTON LINT, AND SEED COTTON, and all packages, coverings, bags, or other articles or things which have been used as packages, coverings, or bags for cottonseed, cotton lint, and seed cotton: Importation prohibited from all countries unless under license granted by the Governor, to prevent the introduction of the pink bollworm (Pectinophora gossypiella Saund.).

SPROUTED COCONUTS (Cocos nucifera L.): Importation prohibited from Grenada, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent, to prevent the introduction of the red ring disease (Anhelenchoides cocophilus (Cobb) Goodey).

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