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- f. The holiday observed as the Sovereign's birthday
- g. Labour Day
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 - the 3rd day of January in any year when New Year's Day falls on a Sunday or
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Dated this 2 February 2017

Ross van der Schyff
Commissioner of Patents
Commissioner of Trade Marks
Commissioner of Designs

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Southern Field Days

Pursuant to Section 9(2) of the Patents Act 2013 and Section 10(2) of the Designs Act 1953, I, Ross van der Schyff, Commissioner of Patents and Designs, do hereby declare the Southern Field Days to be held at 575 Waimumu Road, R.D. 4, Gore 9774, New Zealand, on 9th February 2022 to 11th February 2022, to be an Industrial Exhibition for the purposes of the said Acts.

Ross van der Schyff
Commissioner of Patents and Designs
8 March 2021