ORDER IN COUNCIL

MADE UNDER

THE HOLIDAYS WITH PAY ORDINANCE, 1952, (No. 3 of 1952).

UNDER SECTION 3 OF THE HOLIDAYS WITH PAY ORDINANCE, 1952, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Holidays with Pay (Laundry Employees) Order, 1953.

2. In this Order —

"earnings" means the regular amounts paid by an employer to an employee in respect of the employee's services, and includes the value of any meals supplied to such employee under or by virtue of his contract of employment, but does not include any amount paid in respect of overtime or by way of bonus, unless such payments by way of bonus form part of such regular amounts:

"employee" means any person employed in a laundry;

"laundry" means any place where persons are employed by way of trade or business or for purposes of gain in washing, ironing, pressing or dry cleaning of clothing, bed-linen or tablelinen and on all duties incidental thereto; and also where any such persons are employed on any of the aforementioned duties incidental to any other trade or business;

"medical practitioner" means a person registered as a medical practitioner under the Colonial Medical Service (Consolida-

tion) Ordinance, Chapter 186.

3. (1) Every employee being in employment at the date of the commencement of this Order shall be allowed a period of holidays with pay of not less than one day for each completed month of employment computed as though his employment commenced on the date of the commencement of this Order.

(2) Every employee not being in employment at the date of the commencement of this Order but thereafter being in employment shall be allowed a period of holidays with pay of not less than one day for each completed month of employment computed from the date of his engagement.

4. (1) No employer shall require an employee to take his holidays with pay in periods of less than six consecutive days, and no employee shall require his employer to allow his holidays with pay prior to the

completion of six consecutive months' service:

Provided that any of the days which are public holidays under the provisions of the Public Holidays Ordinance for the time being in force may, by agreement between the employer and the employee, be allowed as a period of holidays with pay.

(2) The holidays with pay shall be given by the employer and shall be taken by the employee before the expiration of three months after

the date upon which the right to such holiday accrues.

(3) The employer shall determine the date on which the holiday shall commence and shall give to the employee not less than seven days notice of such date.

5. In respect of a period of holidays with pay the employer shall pay to the employee for each day of such period remuneration at the rate of one-sixth of the average weekly earnings of the employee during the previous six months or during the period of his employment with the em-

ployer whichever is the lesser period.

6. When the employment of an employee is terminated, either by the employee or by the employer, the employer shall pay to the employee in lieu of such period of holidays with pay as shall have accrued under the provisions of this Order and in respect of which no payment has been made, a sum equal to the remuneration which would have been paid for a like period of holidays with pay if taken at that date.

7. For the purposes of this Order a period of employment shall be deemed to be continuous if it has not been interrupted by absence from work without the permission of the employer for a period not exceeding

two consecutive days:

Provided that periods of illness certified by a medical practitioner not exceeding fourteen days shall not be deemed to be a break in employment for the purposes of this Order.

8. This Order shall apply —

- (a) to the city of Georgetown and within three miles of the boundaries thereof;
- (b) to the town of New Amsterdam; and

(c) to the village of Bartica.

9. This Order shall come into operation on the 1st day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

Made in Council this 21st day of March, 1953.

JOHN C. MALONE, Clerk to the Executive Council.