



A GOVERNMENT HAD TO BE FORMED, WHERE TO BEGIN? A BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION WAS CHOSEN AND FROM THIS BOARD LEONARD GEORGE CASLEY WAS ELECTED THEIR ADMINISTRATOR. THE BOARD CHOSE THE NAME HUTT RIVER PROVINCE FOR THE 75 SQUARE KILOMETRE INDEPENDENT STATE.

THE BRITISH DIPLOMATIC LAWS OF RECOGNITION OF A NEW FOREIGN GOVERNMENT WERE FOLLOWED. ADOPTION OF A PROVINCIAL FLAG WAS ALSO A JUDICIAL REQUIREMENT WITH WHICH THE BOARD COMPLIED. IN THE PRINCIPAL OF LAW WHEN UNDER CONSIDERATION TO GIVE RECOGNITION IT IS SPECIFIED THAT: VALIDITY IS NOT THE QUESTION, AND THAT THE RIGHT OF THE GOVERNMENT TO SPEAK FOR THE PEOPLE IT REPRESENTS IS TO BE CONSIDERED. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE HUTT RIVER PROVINCE WAS THE ONLY GOVERNMENT SPEAKING FOR THE PEOPLE OF ITS TERRITORIES AND IT HAD EMERGED AS A SELF PRESERVATION GOVERNMENT. TWO EXCHANGES OF CORRESPONDANCE WERE MADE WITH THE GOVERNOR -GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT WITH THE DATA AS REQUIRED. FOLLOWING THE SECOND EXCHANGE MR.L.G. CASLEY WAS CORDINALLY ADDRESSED AS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE HUTT RIVER PROVINCE. THE ROYAL PREROGATIVE STATES THAT ONCE RECOGNITION IS GIVEN IT IS BINDING ON ALL COURTS. LAWS UPON ROYAL PREROGATIVE STATE THAT NO COURT MAY INQUIRE INTO THE WHYS AND WHEREFORES OF ANY ROYAL PREROGATIVE EXERCISED. PRECEDENT CASE LISTINGS ALSO RULE THAT IF ANY RECOGNITION IS GIVEN BY THE PERSON AUTHORISED TO DO THE BUSINESS OF THE DAY WHO SHOULD OTHERWISE HAVE OBTAINED SOME OTHER AUTHORITY FIRSTLY, HAVING FAILED TO DO SO DOES NOT INVALIDATE HIS RECOGNITION SO GIVEN. THE LIMITATIONS ACT ALSO STATES THAT ONCE ANY RECOGNITION IS GIVEN TO A PERSON ENTITLED THEN THE STATUTE RUNS FROM THAT FACT.

THUS THE NEW GOVERNMENT, THE ADMINISTRATION BOARD OF THE HUTT RIVER PROVINCE WAS INFACIT THE DEJURE GOVERNMENT. NO FURTHER FORMALISING OF THE ACT OF SECESSION WAS ESSENTIAL.

DURING THOSE EARLY MONTHS AFTER SECESSION THE ADMINISTRATOR AND HIS BOARD PROCEEDED QUITELY WITH THE FORMATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR GOVERNING. MUCH OF THE CORRESPONDENCE COMING INTO THE PROVINCE WAS ADDRESSED TO THE ADMINISTRATOR, HUTT RIVER PROVINCE VIA NORTHAMPTON, WESTERN AUSTRALIA. THIS CORRESPONDENCE INCLUDED LETTERS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF AUSTRALIA ON DOWN THE LINE OF BOTH STATE AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENTS. THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT WAS HAVING PROBLEMS TOO, THERE WAS A CHANGE OF PARTY LEADERSHIP AND A CHANGE OF PRIME MINISTER.

SHORTLY AFTER THE NEW AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER WAS INSTALLED IN OFFICE, THE PEACE AND TRANQUILITY OF THE HUTT RIVER PROVINCE WAS CHANGED TO A SCENE OF CONCERN ....WORD HAD BEEN PASSED ON THAT THE NEW PRIME MINISTER HAD, SHORTLY AFTER TAKING OFFICE, SENT WORD TO THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT THAT IT, THE COMMONWEALTH, WOULD PUT ALL RESOURCES AT THEIR DISPOSAL IN A BID TO DESTROY THE PROVINCE ONCE AND FOR ALL.

THE ADMINISTRATOR LEONARD GEORGE CASLEY SEARCHED FURTHER AND URGENTLY INTO ANY SOURCE MATERIALS HE COULD FIND IN HIS DETERMINATION TO PROTECT HIS PEOPLE THROUGH THE PEACEFUL MEANS OF LAW, AND AT THE SAME TIME PRESERVE THEIR INDEPENDENCE FROM THE STATE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. AT THIS STAGE BOTH EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL FEAR WERE VERY REAL TO THE PEOPLE OF THE PROVINCE.

AFTER MUCH INTENSE SEARCHING, THE ADMINISTRATOR CALLED A MEETING OF ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PROVINCE. THEY DISCUSSED THEIR CURRENT SITUATION AND WHETHER OR NOT AN OLD LAW WHICH LEONARD HAD DISCOVERED MIGHT BE APPLIED TO THEIR SITUATION. THIS LAW HELD THAT ANYONE ASSISTING A DEFACTO PRINCE TO ATTAIN HIS OFFICE COULD NOT BE CHARGED WITH TREASON. MORE IMPORTANTLY THE IMPERIAL TREAONS ACT WENT ON TO SAY THAT ANYONE HINDERING A DEFACTO PRINCE IN THE DISCHARGE OF HIS PRINCELY DUTIES COULD BE CHARGED WITH TREASON. IT WAS DECIDED THAT SUCH A LAW FITTED THEIR SITUATION, AND INORDER TO GAIN ADDED PROTECTION BY LAW THE PEOPLE OF THE HUTT RIVER PROVINCE ADOPT THE STATUS OF AN INDEPENDENT PRINCIPALITY AND BESTOWED THE TITLE OF PRINCE UPON THEIR ADMINISTRATOR.

THIS ACTION WAS IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL LAW RELATIVE TO SOVEREIGN TERRITORY WHICH HAS BE OCCUPIED.

HENCE, LEONARD GEORGE CASLEY, WITH THE WORLD OF SCIENCE AND INAUSPICIOUS BIRTH, THROUGH MUCH ADVERSITY AND HARD WORK HAD EARNED A PLACE IN THE WORLD OF SCIENCE, BUSINESS AND FINANCE. AND NOW, THOUGH NOT SEEKING AFTER A TITULAR STATUS ON HIS OWN PART HAD, NONETHELESS, BECOME HIS MAJESTY PRINCE LEONARD GEORGE CASLEY, SOVEREIGN OF THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF THE HUTT RIVER PROVINCE.