

Officers of the Government of the Ross Dependency Appointed

The Rt HON Dame PATSY REDDY, GNZM, QSO,
Governor-General

Background:

- A. An Order in Council dated 30 July 1923¹ (“order”) made under the British Settlements Act 1887 (UK) appoints the Governor-General of New Zealand to be the Governor of the Ross Dependency (“Governor”) and vests in the Governor certain powers:
- B. The order empowers the Governor to make rules and regulations for the peace, order, and good government of the Ross Dependency.
- C. Regulations made by the Governor on 14 November 1923² provide that all persons appointed by the Governor may be empowered to do such things as may be necessary or desirable to ensure that the laws in force in the Ross Dependency are duly observed and complied with in every respect, and to do all things necessary or expedient for the peace, order, and good government of the Ross Dependency, and to safeguard and preserve Her Majesty’s rights and sovereignty over and in respect of the Ross Dependency.
- D. It is now expedient that Jonathan Harrison, Peter Beggs, and Simon Trotter each be appointed as an officer of the Government of the Ross Dependency.

Now therefore I, The Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy, the Governor-General of New Zealand, and as such the Governor of the Ross Dependency, appoint

Jonathan Harrison

to be an officer of the Government of the Ross Dependency while he acts as Senior New Zealand Representative at Scott Base during the period beginning with the date of this appointment and ending with the close of 12 October 2018, and also appoint

Peter Beggs

Simon Trotter

to be officers of the Government of the Ross Dependency while they act as Senior New Zealand Representatives at Scott Base during the period beginning with the date of this appointment and ending with the close of 28 February 2021.

I confer on Jonathan Harrison, Peter Beggs, and Simon Trotter, while they hold office as officers of the Government of the Ross Dependency, all the powers exercisable in New Zealand by a Justice of the Peace.

Jonathan Harrison, Peter Beggs, and Simon Trotter are to perform their functions at such places within the Ross Dependency as may be directed by an officer of the Government of the Ross Dependency who has the general executive and administrative authority in preserving Her Majesty’s rights and sovereignty and the laws in force in the Ross Dependency.

Given under the hand of Her Excellency the Governor-General as the Governor of the Ross Dependency, and issued this 20th day of March 2018.

Rt HON WINSTON PETERS, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1. *New Zealand Gazette*, 16 August 1923, No. 63, page 2211.

2. *New Zealand Gazette*, 15 November 1923, No. 80, page 2815.