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“ Person interested ” includes all persons claiming an interest in compensation to be made on account of the acquisition of land under this Law, and a person shall be deemed to be interested in land if he is interested in an easement affecting the land;

“ Commissioner ” means the Commissioner of the District within which the land acquired or to be acquired is situate;

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High Commissioner may authorize public works for which land required.

Recommendation to acquire land.

Notice to persons interested.

Sanction by High Commissioner of acquisition.

Vesting of land.

(As amended by 6. 1918, 3.)

3. Where any land is needed for any undertaking of public utility the High Commissioner may by notification in the *Cyprus Gazette* authorize the carrying out of the undertaking under the provisions of this Law.

4. From and after the publication of the aforesaid notification the Director of Public Works or other officer entrusted by the High Commissioner with the supervision of any undertaking so authorized may recommend that any land he acquired for the purpose of carrying out the undertaking.

On any such recommendation the officer by whom it is made shall forward to the Commissioner a copy of the recommendation, together with a plan or particulars of the land to be acquired.

5. The Commissioner before submitting the recommendation and plan or particulars to the consideration of the High Commissioner shall caused a notice to be served (in manner hereinafter provided) on the persons interested in the land it is proposed to acquire, notifying to them the proposed acquisition, and informing them that they are at liberty to examine the plan or particulars thereof and present any objections they may have to make thereto within six weeks, or in all cases in which it is proposed to acquire land for the purpose of a Government railway within ten days, from the service of the notice. At the expiration of the period of six weeks, or ten days, as the case may be, the Commissioner shall forward to the High Commissioner the recommendation and plans or particulars, together with the objections made, if any.

6. If the High Commissioner approves the plan or particulars submitted and considers it expedient, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, that the land in question shall be acquired, he may by notification in the *Cyprus Gazette* sanction the acquisition of the land; and thereupon the land may be acquired and compensation, which may include compensation for damage occasioned by determination of a lease, may be awarded for its acquisition in manner hereinafter provided.

7. When the High Commissioner has notified his sanction to the acquisition of any land, the land shall thereupon vest absolutely in the Government or His Majesty's Naval, ^{or Air Force} Military Authorities, as the case may be, free from all encumbrances; and the notification of the High Commissioner's sanction shall be sufficient authority to the Registrar-General to cause amendments of registration to be effected in accordance with the plan and particulars so approved by the High Commissioner.