



902 Lane Street,

HASTINGS.

28th May, 1951.

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The Director,
Department of Agriculture,
Horticulture Division,
WELLINGTON.

Dear Sir,

I propose, subject to your consent, importing from Australia the following Caucasiana and Italian Queen Bees:-

- (a) 20 Caucasiana queens to be supplied by Mr. A.S. Emzy, Mount Emlyn, Queensland. Purchaser, Mr. R.W. Biggs, Buller Street, Hastings.
- (b) 14 Italian queens to be supplied by Mr. P. Ward, Yeronga, Queensland. These are for my own apiaries.

Will you please advise me what legal formalities I must comply with, and if these bees must be quarantined on arrival in New Zealand.

I enclose a Certificate of Registration for cancellation

Yours faithfully,

(A.J. Peterson)

Encl:

Mr. A.J. Peterson,
902 Lane Street,
HASTINGS.

8th June, 1951.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of 28th May, 1951, regarding the importation of bees from Australia.

You should first make application to this office for the necessary authority to import bees, stating the variety (race) and number of Queen bees you wish to import, also the name and address of the breeder of the bees. I attach for your information a copy of the conditions which must be complied with in any case where authority is granted.

With regard to races of bees. Successful development and maintenance of good strains of Italian bees which are considered best for New Zealand conditions, would be impossible if ~~importations of~~ dark coloured strains of bees are allowed to be imported. It is most unlikely therefore that any application for authority to import Caucasian bees would be granted.

Any authority to import bees issued by this Department would be subject to a successful application for an import license from the Comptroller of Customs, Wellington.

Yours faithfully,

J.W.
(T.S. Winter)
for Director, Horticulture Division.

*Miss Simpkins Please
when convenient
T.S.*

*copy the minutes to Horticultural Superintendent
Palmerston North
for the information of the company
Director at Hastings*