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TWENTY-THIRD REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MANDATED  
TERRITORY OF WESTERN SAMOA, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1946

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*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Leave*

Western Samoa, 2nd July, 1946.

SIR,—

I have the honour to submit herewith the twenty-third report of the Administration of the Mandated Territory of Western Samoa, covering the year ended 31st March, 1946.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. W. VOELCKER,  
Administrator.

The Right Hon. P. FRASER, Minister of  
Island Territories, Wellington.

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