PUBLIC OFFICERS' ETHICS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2021

(Act 17 of 2021)

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I assent

GEPTING OF STANCES OF

Wavel Ramkalawan President

16th April, 2021

AN ACT to amend the Public Officers' Ethics Act (Cap 304).

ENACTED by the President and the National Assembly.

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Public Officers' Ethics (Amendment) Act, 2021.

Amendment of section 2 of Cap 304

- **2.** Section 2 of the Public Officers' Ethics Act (Cap 304) (hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act") is amended
 - (a) by repealing the definition of "Commission", and substituting therefor the following definition
 - " "Commission" means the Anti-Corruption Commission established by section 4 of the Anti-Corruption Act, 2016 (Act 2 of 2016);";
 - (b) by repealing the definition of "member".

Amendment of Part III head note

3. The principal Act is amended, in the head note of Part III, by repealing the words "ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS' ETHICS COMMISSION", and substituting therefor the words "INVESTIGATION BY THE COMMISSION".

Repeal of section 20

4. The principal Act is amended by repealing section 20.

Repeal of section 25

5. The principal Act is amended by repealing section 25.

Amendment of section 27

6. Section 27 of the principal Act is amended by repealing the proviso to subsection (1) and substituting therefor the following —

Provided that the Commissioner of the Commission shall make his or her declaration to the Chief Justice.

Amendment of section 28

7. Section 28 of the principal Act is amended by repealing the word "Chairperson" and substituting therefor the word "Commission".

Amendment of section 35

8. Section 35 of the principal Act is amended by repealing the words "or any member".

Transitional provisions

9. On the commencement of this Act, the administrative and other technical staff appointed under section 20(8) of the Public Officers' Ethics Act (Cap 304) shall be deemed to be the administrative and other technical staff of the Anti-Corruption Commission established under the Anti-Corruption Act, 2016 (Act 2 0f 2016), appointed on the same terms and conditions of employment and shall continue until the expiry of their respective terms of appointment and the provisions of the Anti-Corruption Act, 2016 shall apply as if they were respectively appointed under the Anti-Corruption Act, 2016.

I certify that this is a correct copy of the Bill which was passed by the National Assembly on 14th April, 2021.

Mrs. Tania Isaac

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Clerk to the National Assembly