ANTI-CORRUPTION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2019

(Act 8 of 2019)

I assent

Danny Faure
President
5th August, 2019

AN ACT to amend the Anti-Corruption Act, 2016.

ENACTED by the President and the National Assembly.

1. This Act may be cited as the Anti-Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2019.

I certify that this is a correct copy of the Bill which was passed by the National Assembly on 24th July, 2019.

Ms. Jutta Alexis
Clerk to the National Assembly

[Signature]
2. The Anti-Corruption Act, 2016 is amended as follows —

(a) in section 10(5) by repealing the word “two” and substituting therefor the word “four”;

(b) in section 15 by inserting after the word “committee” the words “or staff”;

(c) in section 21(1) by repealing the words “direction, control and” in the chapeau;

(d) by inserting after section 51 the following —

“51A. The Commission may investigate or take over and continue the investigation of offences provided under Chapter X and Chapter XXXVIII of the Penal Code (Cap 158)”;

(e) by inserting after section 52 the following —

“52A. Subject to this Act, the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code (Cap. 54), the Police Force Act (Cap. 172) and any other law conferring on the police the rights, powers, authorities, privileges and immunities necessary for the detection, prevention and investigation of offences shall, so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or any other law, apply to the Chief Executive Officer and any officer authorised under section 22(2)(a) or 52(8) in the performance of their duties under this Act as if reference in those provisions to a police officer included reference to the Chief Executive Officer or officer of the Commission.”.

(f) in section 55 (2) (b) —

(i) by inserting after the word “document” a comma and the words “telephone record”;

(ii) by repealing the word “or” after the word “deposited” and inserting a comma after the word “deposited”;

(iii) by inserting after the word “concealed” the words “or is kept”;

(g) in section 63(f) by inserting after the word “property” where it first occurs, the words “including recordings, or information however stored”.

(h) In PART IV; repealing the heading and substituting therefor “PROSECUTION POWERS OF THE COMMISSION”

(i) in section 64 by repealing the section and substituting therefor “Prosecution for an offence under PART III may be instituted by the Commission.”

(j) in section 65 —

(i) by inserting after the words “or permanently, the” the words “Commission or”;

(ii) by inserting after the words “for an order” the words “preventing the person from leaving the jurisdiction or”.

Amendment of Act 2 of 2016

Penal Code Offences

Police powers to the Chief Executive Officer and officers of the Commission