



# Visiting Forces Act 1952

1952 CHAPTER 67 15 and 16 Geo 6 and 1 Eliz 2

## PART II

### DESERTERS AND ABSENTEES WITHOUT LEAVE

#### 14 Evidence for purposes of Part II.

For the purposes of any proceedings under or arising out of any provision of the [<sup>F1</sup>Armed Forces Act 2006] as applied by the last foregoing section—

- (a) a document purporting to be a certificate under the hand of the Secretary of the [<sup>F2</sup>Defence Council], stating that a request has been made for the exercise of the powers mentioned in subsection (2) of the last foregoing section, and indicating the effect of the request, shall be sufficient evidence, unless the contrary is proved, that the request has been made and of its effect; and
- (b) a document purporting to be a certificate under the hand of the officer commanding a unit or detachment of any of the forces of a country to which this section applies, stating that a person named and described therein was at the date of the certificate a deserter, or absentee without leave, from those forces shall be sufficient evidence, unless the contrary is proved, of the facts appearing from the document to be so certified.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 14 substituted (28.3.2009 for specified purposes, 31.10.2009 in so far as not already in force) by [Armed Forces Act 2006 \(c. 52\), s. 383\(2\), Sch. 16 para. 19](#); S.I. 2009/812, art. 3(a)(b) (with transitional provisions in S.I. 2009/1059); S.I. 2009/1167, art. 4
- F2** Words substituted by [S.I. 1964/488](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Visiting Forces Act 1952, Section 14.