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**1956 No. 2043**

**VISITING FORCES**

**The Visiting Forces (Military Courts-Martial) (Amendment) Order, 1956**

*Made* - - - - *19th December 1956*  
*Coming into Operation* *1st January 1957*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of December, 1956

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Visiting Forces (British Commonwealth) Act, 1933, and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

**Citation and Commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Visiting Forces (Military Courts-Martial) (Amendment) Order, 1956 and may be cited together with the Visiting Forces (Military Courts-Martial) Order, 1942<sup>(1)</sup>, as the Visiting Forces (Military Courts-Martial) Orders, 1942 and 1956.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1957.

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) In this Order the Visiting Forces (Military Courts-Martial) Order, 1942, is referred to as the Principal Order.

**Amendments to the Principal Order**

3. The Principal Order shall be amended as follows:—

- (a) in the preamble, the expression “as an officer or soldier” shall be revoked;
- (b) In the preamble and in Articles 1 and 2, for the references to “The Commonwealth of Australia, the Dominion of New Zealand or the Union of South Africa” and “the

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<sup>(1)</sup> (Rev.XXIII, p. 370: 1942 I, p. 841).

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Commonwealth of Australia, the Dominion of New Zealand and the Union of South Africa”, wherever they occur, there shall be substituted references to “the Commonwealth of Australia, the Dominion of New Zealand, the Union of South Africa or Ceylon” and “the Commonwealth of Australia, the Dominion of New Zealand, the (2), Union of South Africa and Ceylon” respectively, and for references to “the Army Act” there shall be substituted references to “the Army Act, 1955”.

*W. G. Agnew*

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Visiting Forces (Military Courts-Martial) Order, 1942, modified the provisions of the Army Act as to courts-martial, in relation to members of the Commonwealth Forces referred to in that Order attached to a Home Force. The present Order includes Ceylon Forces amongst such Commonwealth Forces, and substitutes references to the Army Act, 1955, for references to the Army Act.