
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 701

The Zimbabwe (Independence and Membership of the Commonwealth) (Consequential Provisions) Order 1980

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Zimbabwe (Independence and Membership of the Commonwealth) (Consequential Provisions) Order 1980.

(2) This Order shall be deemed to have come into operation on, and shall have effect from, the 18th day of April 1980, being the day appointed⁽¹⁾ for the purpose of section 1(1) of the Zimbabwe Act 1979 (therein and hereinafter referred to as “Independence Day”) and on which Zimbabwe became a member of the Commonwealth.

Nationality

2.—(1) Section 1(3) of the British Nationality Act 1948 (Commonwealth countries having separate citizenship) shall have effect as if there were added at the end the words “and Zimbabwe”.

(2) The provisions of section 2(1) of the Zimbabwe Act 1979 shall not apply to a citizen of Southern Rhodesia who on Independence Day became a citizen of Zimbabwe.

Transitional provisions as to applications for registration as a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies

3. Paragraph 1 and 2 of Schedule 1 to the Zimbabwe Act 1979 are hereby repealed.

Schedule 2 of the Zimbabwe Act 1979

4. The following provisions of Schedule 2 to the Zimbabwe Act 1979 are hereby repealed:—

Paragraph 1 (Temporary savings from certain disabilities);

Paragraph 5 (Parliamentary and local elections);

Paragraph 7 (Right of abode in the United Kingdom);

Paragraph 8 (Liability to deportation).

Provisions relating to the Colonial Stock Acts⁽²⁾

5.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Article, the Colonial Stock Acts 1877 to 1948 shall apply in relation to Zimbabwe in respect of the following stock,

(a) stock issued by the Government of Southern Rhodesia; and

(b) stock issued by the Government of the former Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland for which the Government of Southern Rhodesia became responsible under the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland (Dissolution) Order in Council 1963

(1) S.I. 1980/394.

(2) 1877 c. 59, 1892 c. 35, 1900 c. 62, 1948 c. 1 (12, 13, & 14 Geo 6).

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(2) In its application to the stock referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article, section 20 of the Colonial Stock Act 1877 shall have effect as if for the second paragraph of that section the following were substituted:—

“(2) Any person claiming to be interested in colonial stock to which this Act applies, or in any dividend thereon, may institute civil proceedings in the United Kingdom against the registrar in relation to that stock or dividend.”

The Southern Rhodesia (Legal Proceedings and Public Liabilities) Order 1979(3)

6.—(1) The Southern Rhodesia (Legal Proceedings and Public Liabilities) Order 1979 shall have effect, as it applies in the law of the United Kingdom,—

- (a) as if the references therein to the Crown in right of, or in respect of, the Government of Southern Rhodesia included a reference to the Government of Zimbabwe;
- (b) as if the references in Article 4(2) thereof to the person appointed by Her Majesty to administer the Government of Southern Rhodesia, or any officer or agent of that Government, included a reference to a Minister of the Government of Zimbabwe or, as the case may be, an officer or agent of the Government of Zimbabwe.

(2) Nothing in this Article shall be construed as limiting or otherwise affecting the powers or functions conferred upon a Secretary of State by Article 3 of that Order.

Provisions relating to other enactments or instruments

7. The enactments and instruments specified in the Schedule to this Order shall have effect subject to the modifications therein specified.

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Clerk of the Privy Council