

DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITIES.

No. 2 of 1958.

An Act to amend the *Diplomatic Immunities Act 1952*.

[Assented to 3rd April, 1958.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Diplomatic Immunities Act 1958*.

(2.) The *Diplomatic Immunities Act 1952** is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Diplomatic Immunities Act 1952–1958*.

Commencement.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Title.

3. The title of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the words “parts of the Queen's dominions” and inserting in their stead the words “Countries within the Commonwealth of Nations”.

Definitions.

4. Section two of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting before the definition of “chief representative” the following definition:—

“ ‘Australia’ means the Commonwealth of Australia; ”;

(b) by omitting from the definition of “chief representative” the words “the Commonwealth” and inserting in their stead the word “Australia”; and

(c) by omitting from the definition of “country to which this Act applies” all the words after the word “Ceylon” and inserting in their stead the words “, the Federation of Malaya, Ghana or a country declared by the regulations to be a country within the Commonwealth of Nations to which this Act applies;”.

5. Section three of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

Application.

“ 3. This Act extends to all the Territories of Australia, including any Territory governed by Australia under a Trusteeship Agreement.”.

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6. Section six of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the words "the Commonwealth" (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the word "Australia".

Regulations may modify application of Act.

7. Section seven of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the words "a prescribed part of the Queen's dominions, not being a country to which this Act applies," and inserting in their stead the words "a place (not being a country to which this Act applies) declared by the regulations to be a place within the Commonwealth of Nations to which this section applies".

Regulations may confer consular immunity on certain persons.
