

No. 44 of 1953.

A LAW TO AMEND THE POST OFFICE LAW.

CAP. 281.

A. B. WRIGHT,
Governor.

[30th December, 1953.]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Cyprus as follows :—

1. This Law may be cited as the Post Office (Amendment) Law, 1953, and shall be read as one with the Post Office Law (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Law").

Short title.
Cap. 281.

Repeal of section 20 of the principal Law and substitution of new section.

2. Section 20 of the principal Law is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:—

“Power to deal with postal packets containing goods forbidden to be imported, etc.

20.—(1) If the Postmaster-General has reasons to believe that any postal packet contains any goods—

(a) the importation of which is forbidden or restricted or the conveyance of which by post is forbidden, or which is subject to the payment of any Customs duties ;

(b) in respect of which an offence has been committed, is being committed or is attempted to be committed,

he shall order it to be retained at the post office of the chief town of the district wherein the place to which it is addressed is situate, and require by notice in writing the attendance at such post office at a specified time of the addressee or his duly authorized agent for the opening of such postal packet in his presence.

(2) At the appointed time and place such postal packet shall, in the presence of an officer of the post office authorized for the purpose by the Postmaster-General, be opened by the addressee or his duly authorized agent, or if such addressee or agent fails to attend or refuses to open such packet, by the said officer of the post office, in the presence of an officer of the Customs in the case of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) or a police officer in the case of paragraph (b) thereof.

(3) If the postal packet is found to contain any goods—

(a) the importation of which is forbidden or restricted or the conveyance of which by post is forbidden, the packet shall be forfeited ;

(b) liable to the payment of any Customs duties, the packet shall be retained in the post office until such duties are paid ;

(c) in respect of which an offence has been committed, is being committed or is attempted to be committed, the packet shall be detained for the purpose of any further proceedings under this Law or any other Law in force for the time being.”

3. Section 37 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows:—

Amendment
of section 37
of the
principal
Law.

(a) by the substitution for paragraphs (c) and (d) thereof of the following paragraph:—

“(c) has thereon or encloses therein any words, marks, designs or pictures of a seditious, scurrilous, threatening, indecent, obscene, or grossly offensive character.”;

(b) by the substitution for the words “(b), (c) and (d)” (line 22) of the words “(b) and (c)”;

(c) by the insertion immediately after the words “detained in the post office” (line 25) of the words “and dealt with in such manner as the Postmaster-General may deem fit”.

J. FLETCHER-COOKE,

30th December, 1953.

Colonial Secretary.

NO. 45 OF 1953.

A LAW TO AMEND THE CRIMINAL CODE LAW.

CAP. 13
27 of 1949
12 of 1951
28 of 1952
4 of 1953.

A. B. WRIGHT,]

[30th December, 1953.

Governor.

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Cyprus as follows:—

1. This Law may be cited as the Criminal Code (Amendment No. 2) Law, 1953, and shall be read as one with the Criminal Code Law (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Law”).

Short title.
Cap. 13
27 of 1949
12 of 1951
28 of 1952
4 of 1953.