

**CHAPTER 85**

**GENOCIDE**

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**CHAPTER 85****GENOCIDE****An Act to create the offence of genocide.***29 of 1969**[Commencement 19th December, 1969]*

1. This Act may be cited as the Genocide Act. Short title.
2. In this Act “The Genocide Convention” means the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 9th December 1948. Interpretation.
3. (1) A person commits an offence of genocide if he commits any act falling within the definition of “genocide” in Article II of the Genocide Convention as set out in the Schedule. Genocide.  
Schedule.
- (2) A person guilty of an offence of genocide shall on conviction on information —
  - (a) if the offence consists of the killing of any person, be sentenced to death;
  - (b) in any other case, be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding fourteen years.
- (3) Proceedings for an offence of genocide shall not be instituted except by or with the consent of the Attorney-General.

**SCHEDULE (Section 3)****ARTICLE II OF THE GENOCIDE CONVENTION**

In the present Convention, genocide means any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such —

- (a) killing members of the group;
- (b) causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group;
- (c) deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part;
- (d) imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group;
- (e) forcibly transferring children of the group to another group.