

SUPPLEMENT No. 2

TO

THE SOVEREIGN BASE AREAS GAZETTE

No. 258 of 6th DECEMBER, 1968.

LEGISLATION.

ORDINANCE 20 OF 1968.

AN ORDINANCE

TO ENABLE THE TAKING IN THE AREAS OF CENSUSES AND SURVEYS AND THE COLLECTION OF STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

E. GORDON JONES,

29th November, 1968.

ADMINISTRATOR.

BE it enacted by the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia as follows:-

PART I - PRELIMINARY.

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Statistics Ordinance, short title. 1968.
 - 2. In this Ordinance—

Interpretation.

"census" means—

(a) an enumeration of the population which may include the collection of statistical information respecting age, sex, place of birth, place of residence, race, nationality, employment, earnings, property, health, education, housing or any condition of the people;

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(b) a full and systematic enquiry with the object of statistical collecting information concerning agriculture, fisheries, industry, commerce, labour and employment, and any other matter that may be specified by the Administrator in an Order made under section 3 of this Ordinance:

"Census Officer" means any person appointed under paragraph (a) of section 6 of this Ordinance;

"statistical information" means information compiled in statistical form, the compilation of which is designed to serve a public purpose;

"Superintendent" means the person appointed by the Administrator under section 5 of this Ordinance to carry out the taking of any census and includes any person appointed to be an Assistant Superintendent;

"survey" means a systematic enquiry, whether of a general or limited nature, having the object of collecting statistical information respecting any of the matters specified in section 10 of this Ordinance, and includes a sample and ad hoc survey, and "statistical enquiry" shall be construed similarly.

PART II - CENSUS.

3. Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance, it shall be lawful for the Administrator by Order from time to time to direct that a census shall be taken in the Areas or any part of the Areas. Any Order made under this section shall be published in the Gazette and may prescribe—

- (a) the date on which or the period during which such census is to be taken;
- the subject matter in respect of which the census shall be taken;
- the persons by whom and in respect of whom the returns for such census are to be made;
- (d) the particulars to be stated in the returns.

4. For the purpose of enabling any Order directing a census to be taken to be carried into effect, the Administrator may make Regulations-

- providing for the division of the Areas into areas (a) for the purpose of any census;
- providing for the forms to be used for the taking (b) of such census;
- requiring the persons by whom and in respect of whom the returns are to be made to give any information required in the forms;

Power to the Administrator to direct taking of census.

Regulations.

- (d) requiring information to be given to the Census Officers by persons by whom and in respect of whom the returns are to be made;
- (e) making provision for any other matters in respect of which it is necessary to make provision for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the Order.
- 5. It shall be lawful for the Administrator to appoint any person to be Superintendent to carry out any census and to appoint with the approval of the Administrator an Assistant Superintendent.

Appointment of Super-intendent.

6. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to make generally such arrangements and do all such things as are necessary for the taking of a census in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and of any Order or Regulations made thereunder and in particular he shall—

Duty of Superintendent to carry out census.

- (a) appoint such persons to be Census Officers as may seem to him necessary for the taking of a census;
- (b) make arrangements for the preparation of the necessary forms; and
- (c) issue instructions for the distribution, completion and collection of the forms.
- 7. All Census Officers shall be appointed in writing under the hand of the Superintendent and the production of such appointment shall be sufficient proof of the authority of such officers to act in that behalf for the taking of a census. Such appointment shall state the area within which any Census Officer is empowered to exercise such authority.

Appointment of Census Officers.

8. All Census Officers shall, before entering upon their duties, take oath in the form set out in the Schedule hereto before the Registrar.

Census Officers' Oath. Schedule.

9. The Superintendent shall, as soon as possible after the taking of a census, prepare reports on the census returns and shall transmit such reports to the Administrator for consideration whether they should be published and, if so, in what form.

Superintendent to prepare reports.

PART III - SURVEYS AND STATISTICAL ENQUIRIES.

10. It shall be lawful for the Administrator to direct that a survey shall be carried out in respect of any of the following matters:—

Surveys and matters in respect of which surveys may be held.

- (a) housing and rentals therefor;
- (b) emigration and immigration;
- (c) health and sanitation;

- (d) social and educational matters;
- (e) wholesale and retail prices;
- (f) trade and commerce and rents for shops and industrial buildings;
- (g) transport, storage, and communications;
- (h) industry and industrial matters;
- (i) matters relating to immovable property and in particular to the tenure, occupation, distribution and use of land, its production, methods and means employed for its cultivation, the rents charged therefor, and prices of agricultural produce;
- (j) matters relating to animal husbandry, animal production and prices of animal products;
- (k) gross national product and national income and its distribution;
- (1) salaries, wages and conditions of employment;
- (m) employment and unemployment;
- (n) industrial accidents, industrial injuries and compensation;
- (o) life and other insurance;
- (p) electricity, gas and water supply consumption;
- (q) tourism and allied matters;
- (r) investment, realized and planned;
- (s) such other matters as the Administrator may by Order prescribe.

Carrying out of surveys.

- 11.—(1) All surveys under this Ordinance shall be carried out under the supervision of the Fiscal Officer who may appoint such officers of the Administration or other persons as he may deem fit and proper with the object of assisting him to carry out such surveys.
- (2) All appointments under subsection (1) of this section shall be in writing under the hand of the Fiscal Officer and the production of any such appointment shall be sufficient proof of the power of such officers or persons to act in that behalf for the carrying out of a survey.
- (3) Such appointment shall state the area in which any such officer or person is empowered to exercise such authority.

Information to be supplied.

12.—(1) Every person who is required to supply any information for the purpose of any survey under this Ordinance shall supply such information and answer truthfully any questions put to him by any officer or person employed in such survey and duly authorised by the Fiscal Officer.

- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1) of this section, "person" includes any corporate body, trade union, organization or other organization of persons.
- 13. Upon the completion of a survey, the results shall be submitted in the form of a report to the Administrator for consideration and a decision as to whether the results should be published and, if so, in what form.

Results of surveys and publication thereof.

14. Subject to the approval of the Administrator, the Fiscal Officer may carry out statistical enquiries for the purpose of collecting statistical information which the Administrator may require for the purposes of the Administration, and the provisions of this Ordinance relating to surveys shall apply mutatis mutandis to the carrying out of such statistical enquiries.

Statistical returns.

PART IV - MISCELLANEOUS.

15. Every person who has the custody or charge of any public records or documents, or of any records or documents of any corporation, from which information relating to the objects of any census ordered under this Ordinance may be obtained, or which would aid in the completion of such census, shall grant any person specially authorised in writing by the Superintendent access thereto for the purpose of obtaining such information therefrom.

Access to records.

16. No returns or other documents made or obtained in connection with the taking of a census or the carrying out of a survey shall be open to inspection by the public and no such returns or other documents, and no information obtained in connection with the taking of a census or the carrying out of a survey shall be admissible or used in evidence in any civil or criminal proceedings whatsoever except in criminal proceedings for an offence under this Ordinance.

Secrecy of census or survey returns.

17.—(1) If any person (including a Census Officer or other officer charged with a duty under this Ordinance)—

Offences and penalties.

- (a) wilfully refuses or neglects to comply with or acts in contravention of any of the provisions of this Ordinance or any Order or Regulations made thereunder or of any instructions issued by the Superintendent under this Ordinance; or
- (b) being a person required under the provisions of this Ordinance or any Order or Regulations made thereunder or by any instructions issued by the Superintendent under this Ordinance to make, sign or deliver any document, makes, signs or delivers or causes to be made, signed or delivered a false document; or
- (c) being a person required under the provisions of this Ordinance or in pursuance of any such Order or Regulations or by any instructions issued by

the Superintendent under this Ordinance to answer any question, refuses to answer or gives a false answer to that question; or

(d) wilfully obstructs, or attempts to obstruct, the Superintendent or any Census Officer or person authorised in writing by the Superintendent from obtaining any information to which he is entitled, or from having access to any records or documents under the provisions of this Ordinance,

he shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds, or to both such imprisonment and fine.

- (2) If any person (including a Census Officer)—
 - (a) being a person employed in taking a census or carrying out a survey without lawful authority publishes or communicates to any person otherwise than in the ordinary course of such employment any information acquired by him in the course of such employment; or
 - (b) having possession of any information which to his knowledge has been disclosed in contravention of this Ordinance, publishes or communicates that information to any other person; or
 - (c) in the pretended performance of duties under this Ordinance, obtains or seeks to obtain information which he is not duly authorised so to obtain,

he shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months or to a fine not exceeding four hundred pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine.

Saving.

Repeal. Cap. 38 (Laws of Cyprus).

- 18. Nothing in this Ordinance contained shall apply to any survey carried out under the provisions of any other Ordinance which may be in force at any time.
 - 19. The Census Ordinance is hereby repealed.

SCHEDULE

(Section 8).

OATH BY CENSUS OFFICER.

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| (Signed)Census Officer | ••• |
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Chief Officer.

29th November, 1968.

