

Assented to in Her Majesty's name this 29th day of March, 1958.

R. F. A. GREY,
Governor-General's Deputy

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IN THE SEVENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF

HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

SIR JAMES WILSON ROBERTSON, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., K.B.E.
Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE RE-ALLOCATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS IN LAGOS PREVIOUSLY CARRIED OUT BY THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, LAGOS, AND BY THE SENIOR DISTRICT OFFICER, LAGOS, AND FOR MATTERS ANCILLARY THERETO.

Title.

[1st April, 1958]

Commence-
ment.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, because of the growth of Ministerial government as a part of constitutional changes, and in order to allow for an increase in the responsibilities of the Lagos Town Council, it is desired to provide for the devolution

of the functions of the Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos, and of the Senior District Officer, Lagos, and to effect the abolition of those offices :

Enactment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the Federation of Nigeria as follows—

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Lagos (Administrative and Executive Functions) Ordinance, 1958.

Interpretation and application.

2. (1) In this Ordinance, except where the context otherwise requires, "Minister" means the Minister charged with responsibility for matters relating to Lagos municipal affairs.

(2) This Ordinance applies to any law enacted by the Federal Legislature or having effect as if it had been so enacted, and to any power or duty conferred or imposed directly or indirectly upon the Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos, or upon the Senior District Officer, Lagos, by such a law.

Minister may make Order of transfer.

3. (1) The Minister may by Order transfer to himself or to the Lagos Town Council, or to the chairman or any officer of the Lagos Town Council, any power or duty to which this Ordinance applies.

(2) After consultation with the Governor-General the Minister may by Order transfer to any other Minister any power or duty to which this Ordinance applies.

(3) Unless and until an Order under this section is made in respect of a power or duty to which this Ordinance applies such power or duty shall be deemed to be transferred to the Minister with effect from the 1st day of April, 1958.

Minister may make substituted appointment.

4. Where, by any law to which this Ordinance applies, the Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos, or the Senior District Officer, Lagos is prescribed to be the chairman or a member of any body or authority, the Minister may by Order appoint or make provision for the appointment of some other person or (with the consent of the Governor-General) some other public officer to occupy such position as chairman or member.

Ancillary provisions.

5. An Order made under section 3 or 4 may make such provisions as appear to be consequential or incidental to the transfer of any power or duty, or to any appointment or provision for appointment, and may include directions (either general or in relation to any particular matter) for the carrying on and completion by the authority or person to whom a power or duty or appointment is transferred of anything commenced by the officer from whom it is transferred.

Laws may be modified.

6. An Order made under section 3 or 4 may make such modifications, whether by means of addition, substitution or deletion, to a law to which this Ordinance applies as may appear necessary for the purposes of this Ordinance, and the provisions of section 42 of the Interpretation Ordinance (which relate to the re-printing of Ordinances and Laws which have been amended) shall apply to any modification effected in accordance with this Ordinance as they do to additions, omissions, substitutions and amendments effected by an amending Ordinance or Law.

Abolition of offices.

7. (1) The offices of Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos, and Senior District Officer, Lagos, shall cease to exist on the 31st day of March, 1958, without prejudice to the provisions of sections 3 and 4 and to the power to make an Order under either such section whether before or after such date.

(2) With effect from the same date, any delegation of powers made to the Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos, or to the Senior District Officer, Lagos, under section 33 of the Interpretation Ordinance shall cease to be operative.

8. No body or authority shall be deemed to be improperly constituted nor shall its proceedings be rendered invalid by any omission of the Minister to make an Order under section 4.

9. The Interpretation Ordinance is amended in accordance with the Schedule hereto.

The
resulting
vacancies on
Boards, etc.

Conse-
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amend-
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Cap. 94,
Schedule.

SCHEDULE

(sec. 9)

Section	Definition to be amended	Amendment
3.	administrative officer	Delete "a person appointed by the Governor-General to be Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos, and all".
3.	Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos	Delete the definition.
3.	Resident.	Delete references to Lagos, the Chief Administrative Officer, Lagos, and the reference to that officer being in charge of Lagos as though it were a province.

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which has passed the House of Representatives, and is found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.

B. ADE. MANUWA,

Clerk of the House of Representatives