

L.N. 53 of 1977

**COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY (SPECIAL PROVISIONS)  
DECREE 1974**

(1974 No. 22)

**Currency Offences Tribunal (Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 1977**

*Commencement : 20th July 1977*

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 16 of the Counterfeit Currency (Special Provisions) Decree 1974, and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Augustine Nnamani, Attorney-General of the Federation with the approval of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following rules:—

1. The Currency Offences Tribunal (Procedure) Rules 1975 are hereby amended as follows:—

Amendment  
of L.N. 58 of  
1975.

(a) for paragraphs 1 and 2 thereof there shall be substituted the following new paragraphs, that is—

“Initiation of proceedings. 1. The trial of offences under the Decree shall commence by way of an application made to the Chairman of the tribunal by the prosecutor and accompanied by proofs of the evidence intended to be adduced at the trial.

Order on an accused to appear. 2. Where after perusal of the application and the accompanying proofs of evidence in such form as the Chairman may consider necessary the Chairman is satisfied that any person appears to have committed any offence under the Decree, the Chairman shall cause that person to be brought before the tribunal on such date and at such time as the Chairman may direct:

Provided that where after perusal of the application and any further evidence aforesaid the Chairman is of opinion that no prima facie case has been established against any person, the Chairman shall not give his ruling on the application until he has consulted the other members of the tribunal.”;

(b) in paragraph 14 thereof for the word “tribunal” where it occurs in the first and second lines therein there shall be substituted the word “Chairman”; and

(c) in the Schedule thereto, for Form 1 there shall be substituted the Form 1 set out in the Schedule hereunder.

2. These rules may be cited as the Currency Offences Tribunal (Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 1977 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 20th July 1977.

Citation and  
commence-  
ment.

## SCHEDULE

NEW FORM TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR FORM 1 OF THE CURRENCY OFFENCES  
(PROCEDURE) RULES 1975

## "FORM 1

APPLICATION TO COMMENCE TRIAL FOR AN OFFENCE UNDER THE COUNTERFEIT  
CURRENCY (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) DECREE 1974

To : The Chairman,

Tribunal for the Trial of Offences under the Counterfeit  
Currency (Special Provisions) Decree 1974

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Pursuant to section 16 (2) of the Counterfeit Currency (Special Provisions)  
Decree 1974, I hereby apply for the commencement of a trial for the offence of

(i) .....  
under section.....of the Counterfeit Currency (Special Provisions)  
Decree 1974 against the undermentioned person :—

(ii) .....  
2. In support of this application I attach herewith proofs of the evidence  
intended to be adduced at the trial.

3. If this application is granted I shall be relying on the facts disclosed in  
the proofs of evidence and any further evidence the Tribunal may consider  
necessary. I attach herewith four copies of the charge against the accused.  
A list of the witnesses and their addresses is also attached for the purpose of  
issuing witness summons on them.

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*Prosecutor*

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(i) *Insert the offence.*

(ii) *Insert name of accused."*

MADE at Lagos this 26th day of September 1977.

A. NNAMANI,  
*Attorney-General of the Federation*