

I assent,

**D. J. G. ROSE**  
Governor-General.

2nd June, 1969

ACT No. 10 OF 1969.

**BAUXITE AGREEMENTS (ADAPTATION AND MODIFICATION  
OF LAWS) ACT, 1969.**

Arrangement of Sections.

Section

1. Short title.
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AN ACT to provide for the Adaptation and Modification of Laws touching the carrying into effect of the two Agreements entered into by the Government of British Guiana with the Reynolds Metals Company and the Demerara Bauxite Company, Limited, respectively.

2nd June, 1969.

A.D. 1969.

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana :—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Bauxite Agreements (Adaptation and Modification of Laws) Act, 1969.

Interpreta-  
tion.

2. In this Act —

“Agreement” means —

- (a) the Agreement made on 16th February, 1965, between the Government of British Guiana and the Reynolds Metals Company, and laid before the National Assembly on 29th April, 1969; or
- (b) the Agreement made on 29th October, 1965, between the Government of British Guiana and the Demerara Bauxite Company, Limited, and laid before the National Assembly on 29th April, 1969;

“enactments” includes statutes which were in force in British Guiana and instruments having the force of law pursuant to Acts of the Parliament of Guyana or Ordinances;

“undertaking” means any undertaking in either Agreement and includes anything agreed therein.

3. (1) The words “but with any variations, as regards terms and conditions, that the Governor-General deems meet”, in reference to the issue of an exclusive permission for the purpose of satisfaction of any undertaking, shall be deemed to have been inserted after the word “regulations” where it appears for the first time in regulation 11 of the Bauxite Mining Regulations. Specific modification of Bauxite Mining Regulations.

(2) Without prejudice to the provisions of section 4 of this Act, no exclusive permission shall, by virtue of its having any variations embodied therein pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, be deemed excluded from the definition of “permission” in regulation 2 of the said Regulations.

(3) The words “or otherwise vary the terms and conditions so set out”, in reference to the grant of a mining lease for the purpose of satisfaction of any undertaking, shall be deemed to have been inserted after the word “regulations” in paragraph (b) of the proviso to regulation 21 of the said Regulations.

4. Any enactments for the time being in force that, apart from this section, render illegal any of the terms or conditions of an exclusive permission or mining lease issued or granted as mentioned in subsection (1) or (2) of section 3 of this Act, or preclude the satisfaction of any undertakings, or, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, confer powers or authorities relevant thereto but which would be exceeded in the event of their purported exercise as required in that behalf, shall, for the purpose of allowance or sanction (as the case may require) of any such terms, conditions, exercise or satisfaction as aforesaid, be construed with due adaptations and modifications. General adaptation and modification of enactments.

5. Anything done or omitted at any time prior to the commencement of this Act, and which would have been done or omitted lawfully or validly by virtue of any of the foregoing provisions of this Act if they had been in operation at that time, shall be deemed to have been lawfully or validly done or omitted, as the case may be. Validation.

*Passed by the National Assembly on the 20th of May, 1969.*

M. B. HENRY,  
*Acting Clerk of the National Assembly.*

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