GUYANA

REGULATIONS

MADE UNDER

THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (ADAPTATION AND MODIFICATION OF LAWS) ACT, 1968.

(No. 16 of 1968)

UNDER SECTION 3(1)(d) OF THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (ADAPTATION AND MODIFICATION OF LAWS) ACT, 1968, AND BY VIRTUE AND IN EXERCISE OF ALL OTHER POWERS ENABLING ME IN THAT BEHALF, I HEREBY MAKE THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS —

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Representation of the People (Adaptation and Modification of Laws) (No. 3) Regulations, 1968 and shall come into operation forthwith.
- 2. The following amendments to the Election Regulations, 1964, are hereby prescribed for the purposes of section 3 of the Representation of the People (Adaptation and Modification of Laws) Act, 1968, that is to say
 - (a) the substitution of a colon for the full stop at the end of regulation 43A and the addition thereto of the following proviso —

"Provided that if the Commissioner of Registration finds it for any reason impracticable —

- (a) for a print of the photograph of any elector to be affixed to such identification card of that elector as may be required for the purposes of these Regulations;
- (b) for any such identification card of an elector as aforesaid to be prepared in conformity with paragraph (b) of regulation 20 of the National Registration (Residents) Regulations, 1967,

the lack of any such print or preparation, as the case may be, shall not invalidate the identification card for the said purposes";

- (b) the insertion in paragraph (1) of regulation 47 after the word "held," of the words "and after procuring his identity paper if made available for his procurement at the polling place in pursuance of regulation 43A,":
- (c) the insertion after the word "elector" at the end of sub-paragraph (e) of paragraph (1) of regulation 49 of the words "unless any such identity paper has been provided at the polling place in pursuance of regulation 43A."

(d) the addition thereto of the following regulation immediately after regulation 52 -

"Power to dispense with production of identity paner.

52A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any provisions of these Regulations, the presiding officer or the poll-clerk may in the event of his being satisfied as to the identity of any elector. dispense with the production of the identity paper of such elector who shall, in that event and if the presiding officer is satisfied as to the other matters specified in paragraph (1) of regulation 48, be permitted to vote in like manner as if his identity paper had been so produced; and, for that purpose, such provisions of these Regulations as aforesaid shall have effect with all necessary adaptations and modifications."; and

- "Returning officers to count
- (e) the substitution of the following regulation for regulation 61 61.(1) Subject to the provisions of these Regulations, the votes cast at the polling places in each district shall be counted by the returning officer of that district in accordance with the provisions of this Part.
 - (2) If the Chief Election Officer is satisfied that it is necessary or expedient in the interests of the carrying out of the provisions of this Part with due despatch or security he may, by notice published in the Gazette not later than two days before election day, direct that for the purposes of the counting of the votes the returning officers of districts specified in the notice shall count the votes for their respective districts at a place appointed by the said notice and these Regulations shall have effect accordingly.
 - (3) Where the Chief Election Officer has given a direction pursuant to paragraph (2) of this regulation -
 - (a) he may designate one of the returning officers of the districts specified in the notice to exercise general direction and supervision over the counting of votes at the place so appointed;
 - (b) references in this Part to election officers, appointed candidates and counting agents shall have effect as if they included references to such persons appointed in respect of any of the districts in respect of which the direction applies."

Made this 12th day of December, 1968.