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ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.

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AN ACT

entitled

Oil and Gas (Amendment) Act 2001,

Being an Act to amend the *Oil and Gas Act 1998*,

MADE by the National Parliament to come into operation in accordance with a notice in the National Gazette by the Head of State, acting with and in accordance with, the advice of the Minister.

1. COMPLIANCE WITH CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS, ETC. (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1).

Section 1(2) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after Paragraph (h) the following new paragraph: –

(ha) the construction, maintenance or operation of facilities (including, without limitation, access roads, docks, ports, airports, marinas and accommodation) to be used by a licensee in connection with the prospecting for, recovery, conveyance or processing of petroleum or petroleum products; and”

2. INTERPRETATION (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 3).

Section 3(1) of the Principal Act is amended –

(a) by repealing the definition of

‘**buffer zone**’ means, in relation to a petroleum project, the area around the dedicated project facilities of that petroleum project determined by the Minister to be the buffer zone for that petroleum project, but does not include land within a petroleum development licence pursuant to which the petroleum project is conducted or any land not within five kilometres of a dedicated project facility; and”

(b) by repealing the definition of “the Chief Warden” and replacing it with the following: –

‘the Chief Warden ’ means the Chief Warden appointed under Section 119(1) (a);”

(c) inserting after the definition of “ the Company ”the following new definitions: –

‘Customary land’ means the land that is owned or possessed by an automatic citizen or community of automatic citizens by virtue of rights of proprietary or possessory kind that belonged to that citizen or community and arise from and are regulated by custom;

‘customary land owner’ means a person who has an interest in customary land.”

(d) by inserting after the definition of “dedicated project facility” the following new definition: –

‘Department’ means the Department responsible for petroleum matters;”

(e) in the definition “development forum ”by inserting after the word “ meeting ”the following: –

(f) of gas field the following new definition: –”

3 - 48. *The amendment effected by this section has been incorporated into the Oil and Gas Act 1998.*

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