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### ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.

- 1. Disciplined forces.
- 2. Member of a disciplined force not liable for the consequences of carrying out lawful order, etc.
- 3. Liability to make compensation in certain cases to lie on authority responsible for disciplined force.

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## Organic Law on the Relief of Members of Disciplined Forces from the Responsibility for the Consequences of Carrying out a Lawful Order,

Being an Organic Law to implement Section 208 (protection of members of disciplined forces) of the Constitution by providing for—

- (a) the relief of members of disciplined forces from the responsibility for the consequences of carrying out a lawful order; and
- (b) liability to make compensation to lie on the authority responsible for the disciplined force,

and for related purposes.

## 1. DISCIPLINED FORCES.

For the purposes of this Organic Law-

- (a) the Police Force; and
- (b) the Defence Force; and
- (c) the Correctional Services,

are disciplined forces.

## 2. MEMBER OF A DISCIPLINED FORCE NOT LIABLE FOR THE CONSEQUENCES OF CARRYING OUT LAWFUL ORDER, ETC.

A member of a disciplined force is not liable for the consequences of carrying out—

- (a) a lawful order; or
- (b) on order which he honestly, and on reasonable grounds believed to be a lawful order (the onus of establishing his belief and the reasonable grounds on which it was based, being on him).

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## 3. LIABILITY TO MAKE COMPENSATION IN CERTAIN CASES TO LIE ON AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR DISCIPLINED FORCE.

- (1) Where, but for the provisions of Section 2, a member of a disciplined force would be liable to make compensation, the liability to make compensation shall lie on the authority responsible for that disciplined force.
- (2) The provisions of Subsection (1) do not derogate any other right to compensation from an authority responsible for that disciplined force.

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