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An Act to give effect to certain provisions of the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel and the Optional Protocol to the Convention, and for matters connected therewith.

> [5 April 2011: Except sections 3(3) and 12; 23 May 2011: Sections 3(3) and 12]

Short title

1. This Act is the United Nations Personnel Act 2011.

Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires
 - "Convention" means the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 9 December 1994;
 - "Convention country" means a foreign country that is a Party to the Convention;
 - "country" includes a State or territory, as the case may be;
 - "offence against a UN worker" means
 - (a) an offence under section 4, 5 or 6; or
 - (b) an abetment of, or a conspiracy or an attempt to commit, an offence under section 4 or 5;
 - "Protocol" means the Optional Protocol to the Convention adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 8 December 2005;
 - "relevant premises" means premises at which a UN worker resides or is staying or which the UN worker uses for the purpose of carrying out his or her functions as such person;

"UN worker" has the meaning given by section 3;

"vehicle" includes any means of conveyance.

(2) In this Act, "abetment", in relation to an offence, includes an abetment of —

- (*a*) an abetment of the offence; or
- (b) an attempt to commit the offence.

UN workers

3.—(1) In this Act, "UN worker" means a person who is —

(*a*) engaged or deployed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations as a member of the military, police or civilian component of a UN operation;

- (b) in the person's capacity as an official or expert on mission of the United Nations, a specialised agency of the United Nations or the International Atomic Energy Agency, present in an area where a UN operation is being conducted;
- (c) assigned, with the agreement of an organ of the United Nations, by the government of any State or by an intergovernmental organisation to carry out activities in support of the fulfilment of the mandate of a UN operation;
- (d) engaged by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, a specialised agency or the International Atomic Energy Agency to carry out such activities; or
- (e) deployed by a humanitarian non-governmental organisation or agency under an agreement with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, with a specialised agency or with the International Atomic Energy Agency to carry out such activities.
- (2) In this section, "UN operation" means an operation
 - (*a*) which is established, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, by an organ of the United Nations;
 - (*b*) which is conducted under the authority and control of the United Nations; and
 - (c) which -
 - (i) has as its purpose the maintenance or restoration of international peace and security; or
 - (ii) has, for the purposes of the Convention, been declared by the Security Council or the General Assembly of the United Nations to be an operation where there exists an exceptional risk to the safety of the participating personnel.
- (3) In this section, "UN operation" also includes an operation
 - (*a*) which is established, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, by an organ of the United Nations;