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An Act to make provisions for the incorporation of governing boards for the purpose of conducting Government schools and aided schools and for matters connected therewith.

[1st January 1990]

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the School Boards (Incorporation) Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“aided school” means a school which —

- (a) is established by any person other than the Government; and
- (b) is conducted by a committee of management which is in receipt of a grant-in-aid from the Government for the defraying of the expenses incurred for conducting the school;

“Director-General” means the Director-General of Education;

“governing board” means a governing board constituted by an order made by the Minister under section 3(1) for the purpose of conducting a school named in the order;

“governor” means a member of a governing board.

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PART II

ESTABLISHMENT OF GOVERNING BOARDS FOR SCHOOLS

Establishment of governing boards for schools

- 3.—(1) The Minister may, from time to time, by order published in the *Gazette*, establish a governing board by such name as the Minister

may designate for the purpose of conducting a school named in the order and promulgate a constitution for that governing board.

(2) A governing board established pursuant to an order made under subsection (1) shall be a body corporate by the name specified in the order capable of performing such acts as bodies corporate may by law perform and of suing and being sued and having perpetual succession and a common seal with power to exercise and perform such functions and duties as are conferred or imposed on it by or under this Act and the order made under subsection (1).

(3) A governing board shall consist of such number of governors as may be prescribed in an order made under subsection (1).

(4) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), an order made under that subsection shall make provisions —

- (a) to provide that the appointments of governors are to be made with the approval of the Minister;
- (b) as to the tenure of office and the qualifications of governors;
- (c) as to the suspension or removal from office of governors;
- (d) as to the circumstances in which persons are disqualified for holding office as governors;
- (e) for filling vacancies in the governing board;
- (f) as to the election or appointment of a chairman or vice-chairman (if any) of the governing board;
- (g) to provide that the principal of the school named in the order shall be appointed by the governing board with the approval of the Director-General;
- (h) conferring upon the governing board full discretion to act with respect to the following matters:
 - (i) the recruitment, promotion and dismissal of and the exercise of disciplinary control over teachers and other staff of the school;