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Read the first time on 18th January 1996.

An Act to amend the Commercial and Industrial Security Corporation Act (Chapter 47 of the 1985 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Commercial and Industrial Security Corporation (Amendment) Act 1996 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 2

2. Section 2 of the Commercial and Industrial Security Corporation Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately above the definition of “Chairman”, the following definition:

““auxiliary police force” means the auxiliary police force established by the Corporation under section 12;”; and

(b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “Chairman”, the following definition:

““Commandant” means the Commandant of the auxiliary police force appointed by the Corporation under section 12(2);”.

Amendment of section 4

3. Section 4(1) of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the colon in the third line and substituting a full-stop; and
- (b) by deleting the proviso.

Repeal and re-enactment of section 7

4. Section 7 of the principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

“Functions and powers of Corporation

7.—(1) The functions of the Corporation shall be —

- (a) to provide guards and escorts for the protection of persons and property;
- (b) to provide such other security services as the Corporation may determine; and
- (c) to assist the Singapore Police Force in the maintenance of law and order and any department of the Government and statutory board in the discharge of their duties and functions under any written law.

(2) The Corporation shall have power to do anything for the purpose of the discharge of its functions under this Act or which is incidental or conducive to the discharge of those functions and in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, may —

- (a) at the request of the Commissioner, any department of the Government or statutory board, carry out such functions and duties of the Singapore Police Force, department of the Government or statutory board;
- (b) act in combination or association with other persons or organisations for the discharge of any of its functions;
- (c) promote the carrying on of any activities for the discharge of its functions by other persons or organisations;
- (d) purchase, lease or obtain by exchange or other means any land and premises required for the discharge of its functions under this Act;
- (e) enter into any contract;
- (f) receive for services rendered by the Corporation commissions, fees and other payments;
- (g) with the written approval of the Minister, form or participate in the formation of a company or companies or enter into any joint venture

or partnership in Singapore or elsewhere;

- (h) with the written approval of the Minister, subscribe to stocks, shares, bonds or debentures of a company or corporation;
- (i) with the written approval of the Minister, grant loans to any company in which the Corporation or any of its subsidiary companies holds any shares;
- (j) provide training for persons employed whether by the Corporation or otherwise for the provision of security services, and training for guard dogs and other animals;
- (k) provide consultancy services on all matters relating to security including fire safety and computer security systems;
- (l) supply, install and maintain security systems including fire safety and computer security systems;
- (m) grant loans to the employees and officers of the Corporation for any purposes specifically approved by the Corporation;
- (n) award scholarships and study grants to the employees of the Corporation including prospective employees of the Corporation;
- (o) provide recreational facilities for the employees and officers of the Corporation; and
- (p) carry on all such other activities as may appear to the Corporation necessary, advantageous or convenient for it to carry on for or in connection with the discharge of its functions under this Act.”.

New section 8A

5. The principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 8, the following section:

“Minister may give directions to Corporation

8A.—(1) The Minister may, after consultation with the Corporation, give such directions, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, to the Corporation as to the exercise and performance by the Corporation of its functions and powers and the Corporation shall give effect to any such directions.

(2) The Corporation shall furnish the Minister with such information or facilities for obtaining information with respect to its functions and activities as the

Minister may from time to time require.”.

Repeal and re-enactment of section 9

6. Section 9 of the principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

“Appointment of chief executive officer

9.—(1) The Corporation shall, with the approval of the Minister, appoint a chief executive officer who shall be known by such designation as the Corporation may determine.

(2) The chief executive officer shall, subject to the directions of the Corporation on matters of policy, be charged with the direction of the business of the Corporation, its administration and organisation and the administrative control of its employees.

(3) In the event of the absence or incapacity of the chief executive officer, another person may be appointed by the Corporation to discharge his duties during the period of his absence or incapacity.”.

Repeal and re-enactment of section 12

7. Section 12 of the principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

“Auxiliary police force

12.—(1) The Corporation may, after consulting the Commissioner and subject to the provisions of this Act, establish an auxiliary police force which shall consist of officers and employees who are employed by the Corporation.

(2) The Corporation may, after consulting the Commissioner, appoint a Commandant for the auxiliary police force who shall be responsible for the command, direction and administration of the auxiliary police force.

(3) The members of the auxiliary police force shall be organised in ranks similar to but not necessarily identical to those of the Singapore Police Force, and shall be subject to the authority of the Commissioner for the maintenance of law and order, the preservation of public peace and the prevention and detection of crime subject to such directions as may be issued by the Commissioner from time to time.

(4) The members of the auxiliary police force shall also carry out such other