CIVIL AUTHORITIES (SPECIAL POWERS) ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922-1943

REGULATIONS, DATED 15TH DECEMBER, 1956, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (3) OF SECTION ONE OF THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES (SPECIAL POWERS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922.

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Whereas by virtue of the Civil Authorities (Special Powers) Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, there are in force certain Regulations for peace and order in Northern Ireland being—

(*a*) Regulations contained in the Schedule to that Act, and

(*b*) Regulations made by the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland pursuant to powers conferred by sub-section (3) of Section One of the said Act

(which Regulations where contained in the Schedule or made as aforesaid are hereinafter referred to as the "principal Regulations"):

And whereas the said Minister is empowered by the said sub-section (3) to make Regulations for making further provision for the preservation of the peace and maintenance of order and any Regulations so made shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act have effect and be in force in like manner as Regulations contained in the Schedule to that Act:

And whereas it is expedient that further provision for the preservation of the peace and maintenance of order should be made:

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable W. W. B. Topping, Q.C., Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by the said sub-section, do hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. At the end of Regulation 10 of the principal Regulations there shall be inserted the following Regulations:—

"**11.**—(1) Any person authorised for the purpose by the civil authority, or any police constable, or member of any of Her Majesty's forces on duty when the occasion for the arrest arises may arrest without warrant any person whom he suspects of acting or of having acted or of being about to act in a manner prejudicial to the preservation of the peace or maintenance of order, or upon whom may be found any article, book, letter, or other document, the possession of which gives ground for such a suspicion, or who is suspected of having committed an offence against these Regulations or of being in possession of any article or document which is being used or intended to be used for any purpose or in any

way prejudicial to the preservation of the peace or maintenance of order, and anything found on any person so arrested which there is reason to suspect is being so used or intended to be used may be seized.

(2) Any person so arrested may, on the order of the civil authority, be detained either in any of Her Majesty's prisons or elsewhere, as may be specified in the order, upon such conditions as the civil authority may direct, until he has been discharged by direction of the Attorney-General or is brought before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction. Any person to be brought before a Court under this regulation shall receive at least twenty-four hours' notice in writing of the nature of the charge preferred against him.

(3) Any person so arrested shall, if so ordered by the civil authority, or by a chief officer of police, or by police officer of higher rank, be photographed and finger-print impressions of the fingers and thumbs of both his hands taken, and if such person refuses to allow his photograph or such impressions to be taken or obstructs the taking thereof he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations.

(4) On a person being taken into custody under this regulation he may apply to the civil authority for release on bail, and, if the civil authority so directs in writing, any resident magistrate may discharge the person so in custody upon his entering into a recognizance, with, or without, sureties, for a reasonable amount to appear at a time and place to be named in the recognizance.

(5) Any person detained under this regulation may, without prejudice to any other powers of removal, be removed on the order of the civil authority to any place where his presence is required in the interest of justice and may be detained in such place for such time as his presence is so required there, and whilst being so removed or detained he shall be deemed to be detained under the provisions of this regulation.

(6) If any person assists or connives at the escape of any person who may be in custody under this regulation, or knowingly harbours or assists any person who has so escaped, he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations.

12.—(1) When it appears to the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, on the recommendation of an officer of the Royal Ulster Constabulary not below the rank of a County Inspector or of an advisory committee that for securing the preservation of the peace and the maintenance of order in Northern Ireland it is expedient that a person who is suspected of acting or having acted or being about to act in a manner prejudicial to the preservation of the peace and the maintenance of order in Northern Ireland, shall be subjected to such obligations and restrictions as are hereinafter mentioned, the Minister of Home Affairs may by order require that person forthwith, or from time to time, either to remain in, or to