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#### **GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA**

# **ACT**

No. 2 of 2021

Date of Assent: 23rd March, 2021

An Act to provide for cyber security in the Republic; provide for the constitution of the Zambia Computer Incidence Response Team and provide for its functions; provide for the constitution of the National Cyber Security Advisory and Coordinating Council and provide for its functions; provide for the continuation of the Central Monitoring and Co-ordination Centre; provide for the protection of persons against cyber crime; provide for child online protection; facilitate identification, declaration and protection of critical information infrastructure; provide for the collection of and preservation of evidence of computer and network related crime; provide for the admission; in criminal matters, of electronic evidence; provide for registration of cyber security service providers; and provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

[24th March, 2021

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

### PART I

## PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

1. This Act may be cited as the Cyber Security and Cyber Crimes Act, 2021, and shall come into operation on the date appointed by the Minister by statutory instrument.

Short title and commencement

Enactment

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

"access" has the meaning assigned to the word in the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, 2021;

"advanced electronic signature" has the meaning assigned to the words in the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act, 2021;

"article" means any data computer program, computer data storage medium or computer system which—

Interpretation

Act No. 4 of 2021

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