

## BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

No. 74 OF 1947.

(Promulgated 19th December, 1947.)

### PROCLAMATION

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER  
Entitled the Bechuanaland Protectorate Police  
(Amendment) Proclamation, 1947.

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Bechuanaland Protectorate Proclamation No. 69 of 1937, hereinafter referred to as "the principal law";

Now therefore under and by virtue of the powers in me vested I do hereby declare, proclaim and make known as follows:—

1. Section *one* of the principal law is here-  
by amended by deleting the definitions of <sup>Amend-  
ment of  
section 1  
of Procla-  
mation  
No. 69 of  
1937.</sup> "Commandant", "Inspector", "Warrant  
Officer", "Non-Commissioned Officer",  
"Member of the Force", "Police Messen-  
ger" and "Officer", and inserting in lieu  
thereof the following definitions:—

"Commissioner" means the Commis-  
sioner of Police appointed in terms of sub-  
section (2) of section *two*;

"Officer" shall include both senior  
officers and subordinate officers;

"Superintendent" includes an Assistant  
Superintendent;

"Senior Officer" means a member of the  
Force of or above the rank of Assistant  
Superintendent;

"Subordinate Officer" means a member  
of the Force of the rank of Senior Inspector,  
Inspector, or Sub-Inspector;

"Police Cadet" means any European  
member of the Force under the age of  
twenty years;

"Warrant Officer" means an African  
Sergeant Major;

"Non-Commissioned Officer" means any  
African member of the Force below the  
rank of Warrant Officer and above the rank  
of trooper or constable;

"Member of the Force" includes any  
senior officer, subordinate officer, police

7. Section *ten* of the principal law is hereby repealed and the following section is substituted therefor:—

“ Powers of Commissioner.

10. The Commissioner shall, subject to the directions of the Resident Commissioner, have entire command, superintendence and control of the Force, and, subject to the provisions of this Proclamation and of the regulations, may appoint proper persons to be members of the Force, other than senior officers, and may promote, suspend, reduce, discharge or dismiss any such member.”

New section 10 of Proclamation No. 69 of 1937.

8. Section *eleven* of the principal law is hereby repealed and the following section is substituted therefor:—

“ Commissioner to issue orders, etc.

11. The Commissioner may issue or approve such orders and directions for the government of the Force as circumstances may require, and may direct the issue of books registers for securing the efficiency, discipline and interior economy of the Force.”

New section 11 of Proclamation No. 69 of 1937.

9. Section *twelve* of the principal law is hereby repealed and the following section is substituted therefor:—

“ Delegation of Commissioner's powers.

12. Any power conferred upon the Commissioner under this Proclamation or the regulations may, subject to the approval of the Resident Commissioner, be exercised by the Deputy Commissioner.”

New section 12 of proclamation No. 69 of 1937.

10. Section *thirteen* of the principal law is hereby amended by deleting the words—

“ Any contravention of the lawful orders of the Commandant, Deputy Commandant, or any officer, warrant or non-commissioned officer shall be deemed an offence, and any member of the Force or a police messenger ” and substituting therefor the words—

Amendment of section 13 of Proclamation No. 69 of 1937.

“ Any contravention of the lawful orders of the Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner or of any senior officer, subordinate officer, police cadet, warrant officer or non-commissioned officer shall be deemed an offence, and any member of the Force ”.

11. Section *fourteen* of the principal law is hereby amended by deleting the word “ Commandant ” and substituting therefor the word “ Commissioner ”.

Amendment of section 14 of Proclamation No. 69 of 1937.

short title. 12. This Proclamation may be cited as the  
Bechuanaland Protectorate Police (Amend-  
ment) Proclamation, 1947.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Pretoria this  
Eighth day of December, One thousand Nine hundred  
and Forty-seven.

E. BARING,  
High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency  
the High Commissioner.

H. E. PRIESTMAN,  
Administrative Secretary.