

No. 33 OF 1937.

A LAW TO DISQUALIFY CERTAIN PERSONS FROM BEING ELECTED TO THE VACANT ARCHIEPISCOPAL THRONE OF THE AUTOCEPHALOUS GREEK-ORTHODOX CHURCH OF CYPRUS.

H. R. PALMER,  
Governor.

[12th November, 1937.]

WHEREAS a vacancy in the Archiepiscopal Throne of the Autocephalous Greek-Orthodox Church of Cyprus has existed since the death of the late Archbishop Cyrillus the Third :

AND WHEREAS the proper ecclesiastical authority in the Autocephalous Greek-Orthodox Church of Cyprus may convene and hold an Electoral Assembly for the purpose of electing a person to fill the existing vacancy aforesaid :

AND WHEREAS for the purpose of safeguarding peace and order in the Colony it is deemed expedient that certain persons should be disqualified from being elected by an Electoral Assembly to fill the existing vacancy aforesaid :

BE it therefore enacted :—

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Autocephalous Greek-Orthodox Church of Cyprus (Archbishop's Disqualifications) Law, 1937.

Interpretation.

2. In this Law—

“ Archbishop ” means the Archbishop of the Church ;

“ Church ” means the Autocephalous Greek-Orthodox Church of Cyprus ;

“ Electoral Assembly ” means the Electoral Assembly which the proper ecclesiastical authority in the Church may convene and hold for the purpose of electing a person to fill the vacancy which has existed in the Archiepiscopal Throne of the Church since the death of the late Archbishop Cyrillus the Third ;

“ enactment ” means any Law and includes any regulations made under the authority of any Law and any order made in the exercise of powers conferred by any such regulations ;

“ native of the Colony ” means any person born in the Colony or of parents who at the time of his birth were ordinarily resident in the Colony, and who is a member of the Church.

3. No person shall be capable of being elected Archbishop by the Electoral Assembly, who—

Certain persons disqualified from being elected to the Office of Archbishop.

- (a) has been deported from the Colony under any enactment in force at the date of his deportation ; or
- (b) has been convicted under any enactment in force at the date of his conviction—
  - (i) of the offence of sedition, or
  - (ii) of any offence punishable with imprisonment or penal servitude for more than two years; or
- (c) is not a native of the Colony.

No. 34 OF 1937.

A LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROVAL BY THE GOVERNOR OF ANY PERSON ELECTED TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE ARCHIEPISCOPAL THRONE OF THE AUTOCEPHALOUS GREEK-ORTHODOX CHURCH OF CYPRUS.

H. R. PALMER,]

[12th November, 1937.

*Governor.*

WHEREAS the proper ecclesiastical authority in the Autocephalous Greek-Orthodox Church of Cyprus may convene and hold an Electoral Assembly for the purpose of electing a person to fill any vacancy that may at any time exist in the Archiepiscopal Throne of the said Church :

AND WHEREAS it is established by practice and precedents that the person elected to be Archbishop should, before his election is consummated by any religious and ceremonial rites, be approved by the Governor :

BE it therefore enacted :—

1. This Law may be cited as the Autocephalous Greek-Orthodox Church of Cyprus (Governor's Approval of Archbishop) Law, 1937.

Short title.

2. In this Law—

“ Archbishop ” means the Archbishop of the Church ;

“ Church ” means the Autocephalous Greek-Orthodox Church of Cyprus ;

Interpretation.

“ Electoral Assembly ” means the Electoral Assembly which the proper ecclesiastical authority in the Church may convene and hold for the purpose of electing a person to fill any vacancy that may at any time exist in the Archiepiscopal Throne of the Church.