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I

Citizens and Overseas Citizens

§1 Citizens by operation of law

The following persons shall be deemed to be citizens of the Hutt River Province Principality:

- (1) those who are resident citizens of the Hutt River Province Principality when this act comes into force;
- (2) the child of a Hutt River citizen shall become a Hutt River citizen by birth;
- (3) a child of unknown parents found in Hutt River;
- (4) any person naturalised in accordance with chapter IV.

§2 Overseas Citizens by operation of law

The following persons shall be deemed to be overseas citizens of the Hutt River Province Principality:

- (1) those who are overseas citizens of the Hutt River Province Principality when this act comes into force;
- (2) the child of a Hutt River overseas citizen shall become a Hutt River overseas citizen by birth;
- (3) any person naturalised in accordance with chapter III;
- (4) citizens living abroad granted citizenship by application, before the adoption of this act.

II

General Provisions

§3 Naturalisation of aliens

A non-Hutt River citizen may be naturalised by the Cabinet on application if:

- (1) the person has attained the age of 18 years, or has obtained the consent of his or her parents or guardians for acquiring citizenship or overseas citizenship of the Hutt River Province Principality;
- (2) the person has according to the laws of the Hutt River Province Principality a clean criminal record and there are no criminal proceedings against him or her in any court when the application is decided.
- (3) the person's naturalisation does not prejudice the interests of the Hutt River Province Principality.

§4 Documentation

The application shall be accompanied by:

- (1) documentary proof of statements made pursuant to §7 or §8 or certified copies of such documents;
- (2) payment of the naturalisation and passport fee;
- (3) a signature of a witness stating that the stated information is correct.

§5 Certificate of naturalisation

Admittance to overseas citizenship or citizenship of the Hutt River Province Principality shall be decided by the Cabinet of the Hutt River Province Principality. When overseas citizenship or citizenship is granted, a certificate of naturalisation will be issued.

A certificate of naturalisation shall not take effect until the applicant has taken the oath of allegiance.

§6 The oath of allegiance

I do solemnly declare to respect the laws and uphold the dignity of the Hutt River Province Principality. I pledge also my allegiance to the sovereign of the Hutt River Province Principality.

III Naturalisation for Overseas Citizenship

§7 The application

The application for overseas citizenship shall indicate:

- (1) the applicant's given name and surname;
- (2) date of birth;
- (3) civil status;
- (4) name and date of birth of spouse and children;
- (5) citizenship;
- (6) place of residence;
- (7) occupation;
- (8) information concerning culpable offenses;

IV Naturalisation for citizenship

§8 The application

The application of citizenship shall indicate:

- (1) the applicant's given name and surname;
- (2) date of birth;
- (3) civil status;
- (4) name and date of birth of spouse and children;
- (5) citizenship;
- (6) place of residence;
- (7) occupation in last ten years;
- (8) information concerning culpable offences;
- (9) annual income in last five years;
- (10) education;
- (11) a statement of the reason for acquiring citizenship;

V Loss of citizenship or overseas citizenship

§9 Renunciation of citizenship

A Hutt River citizen of full capacity residing abroad may renounce his or her Hutt River citizenship or overseas citizenship in a declaration addressed to the Sovereign Prince of the State, if he or she:

- (1) possesses a foreign citizenship or may rely on the probability of acquiring one;
- (2) has no criminal proceedings against him or her in a Hutt River court, or the executability of a sentence judged by a Hutt River court no longer exists;
- (3) has no tax or other public arrears in Hutt River;
- (4) has attained the age of 18 years.

§10 Deprivation of citizenship

Hutt River citizenship or overseas citizenship may be withdrawn from a Hutt River citizen or overseas citizen residing abroad, if the citizenship was acquired by the violation of legal rules, particularly through the statement of false data, or through misleading the authorities by omitting data or facts, or has committed any voluntary act which is incompatible with loyalty to the Principality.

The Cabinet shall not deprive a person of citizenship or overseas citizenship under this paragraph unless it is satisfied that it is not conducive to the public good that the person should continue to be a citizen or overseas citizen of the Hutt River Province Principality and that he or she holds citizenship of another nation.

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of the Hutt River Province Principality
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Sovereign



Prince Ian Casley
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