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# Administration of Estates by Consular Officers Act Act 17 of 1940

Commenced on 18 December 1940

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*[Act 17 of 1940; S.I. 95 of 1975; S.I. 72 of 1976]*

WHEREAS it is expedient that effect should be given in Seychelles to the provisions of certain Treaties of Commerce and Navigation mentioned in the schedule hereto—

### 1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Administration of Estates by Consular Officers Act.

### 2. Administration of Estates by Consular Officers

Whenever any subject or citizen of any State mentioned in the first column of the schedule hereto—

- (a) dies within Seychelles; or
- (b) dies outside Seychelles, leaving property within Seychelles;

and no person is present in Seychelles at the time of his death who is rightfully entitled to administer the estate of such deceased person, the Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent of such State within Seychelles may take possession and have the custody of the property of such deceased person, and may apply the same in payment of his debt and funeral expenses, and may retain the surplus for the benefit of the persons entitled thereto; but such Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent shall immediately apply for, and shall be entitled to obtain from the court, letters of administration of the property of such deceased person, limited in such manner and for such time as to the court shall seem fit.

### 3. Variation of Schedule

It shall be lawful for the President by notice published in the *Gazette* to vary the schedule—

- (a) by deleting therefrom any State when the provision of the Treaty with that State mentioned in the schedule shall have ceased to have effect;
- (b) by adding thereto any State with whom the Republic shall make a Treaty of Commerce and Navigation containing provision similar to any of the provisions mentioned in the schedule.

### Schedule

Name of State	Title of Treaty	Date of Treaty	Provision
Estonia	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Estonia	18 <sup>th</sup> January 1926	Article 22
Finland	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Finland	14 <sup>th</sup> December 1923	Article 19 (third paragraph).
Greece	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Greece	16 <sup>th</sup> July, 1962	Article 23
Hungary	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Hungary	23 <sup>rd</sup> July 1926	Article 14
Japan	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Japan	3 <sup>rd</sup> April, 1911	Article 5
Thailand	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Thailand	23 <sup>rd</sup> November, 1937	Article 19
Turkey	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Turkey	1 <sup>st</sup> March, 1930	Article 28