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**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR DISABLED
PERSONS ACT**

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1. This Act may be cited as the National Council for Disabled Persons Act.

2. In this Act -

"Council" means the National Council for Disabled Persons established under Section 3;

"Disabled person" means a person suffering from a physical or mental disability on account of injury, disease or congenital deformity.

3. There is hereby established the National Council for Disabled Persons.

4.(1) The Council shall consist of not more than 10 members, appointed by the Minister, from amongst persons who, in the opinion

of the Minister, represent the organisations connected with matters relating to disabled persons.

(2) The members of the Council shall hold office for such term as the Minister may determine.

(3) The Minister shall appoint one of the members of the Council to be the Chairman of the Council.

(4) The Council may, from time to time, provide for the regulation of the proceedings.

5.(1) The functions of the Council are -

- (a) to co-ordinate the activities of public or private organisations and other persons engaged in the welfare of disabled persons;
- (b) in collaboration with public or private organisations and other persons -
 - (i) to provide care and assistance to disabled persons;
 - (ii) to promote, develop and organise services and programmes for rehabilitation and employment of disabled persons;
 - (iii) to provide and secure employment for disabled persons;
- (c) to cooperate with public or private organisations and other persons in furtherance of the welfare of disabled persons;
- (d) to assist public or private organisations and other persons in promoting and organising projects and income generating activities for the benefit and welfare of disabled persons;
- (e) to advise the Government on education, sports, training programmes, employment and vocational training courses for disabled persons;
- (f) to assist public or private organisations and other persons in organising sporting activities for disabled persons;
- (g) to assist in the provision of facilities considered by the

Council to be necessary or desirable for the welfare of disabled persons;

- (h) to undertake any other activities in furtherance of the functions of the Council.

(2) For the furtherance of the functions of the Council, the Council may -

- (a) receive grants or donations;
- (b) raise funds in Seychelles or elsewhere.

(3) The Council may apply the moneys received or raised under subsection (2) for any purposes in connection with, or for the furtherance of any of, the functions of the Council.

(4) The Council shall keep proper accounts and records of the moneys received or raised under subsection (2) and shall prepare for each financial year a statement of accounts.

(5) The accounts and the statement of accounts of the Council shall be audited by an auditor appointed by the Minister.

(6) As soon as the accounts and statement of accounts of the Council have been audited, the Council shall send to the Minister a copy of the statement of accounts together with a copy of any report made by the auditor on the statement or on the accounts of the Council.

(7) The financial year of the Council shall be a period of 12 months ending on the 31st December of any year but the first financial year of the Council shall end on the 31st December next following the date of commencement of this Act.

6. The Minister may provide the Council with necessary staff and office accommodation required for the performance of its functions.

7. The Minister may make regulations for carrying into effect the purposes and provisions of this Act and for any other matter necessary or convenient to be prescribed by regulations.

NO SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION
