at a British consulate shall cease to be a British subject unless within one year after he attains the age of twenty-one, or within such extended period as may be authorised in special cases by regulations made under this Act -

- (i) he assents his British nationality by a declaration of retention of British nationality registered in such manner as may be prescribed by regulations made under this Act; and
- (ii) if he is a subject or citizen of a foreign country under the law of which he can, at the time of asserting his British nationality divest himself of the nationality of that foreign country by making a declaration of alienage or otherwise, he divests himself of such nationality accordingly.
- (1) A person born on board a foreign ship shall not in the Union be deemed to be a British subject by reason only that the ship was in British territorial waters at the time of his birth.
- (2) Nothing in this section shall, except as otherwise expressly provided, affect the status of any person born before the commencement of this Act.

## (3) Act no. 40 of 1927.

The Union Nationality and Flags Act (No. 40 of 1927) came into force on the 31st May, 1928.

Chapter 1 of the Act provides that the following persons shall be Union nationals.

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