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Definition.

1. In this Act the expression 'the South Africa Act' means the South Africa Act, 1909 (9, Edw. 7, c. 9) as amended from time to time.

Union Parliament to be sole sovereign legislature for Union.

2. The Parliament of the Union shall be the sovereign legislative power in and over the Union, and notwithstanding anything in any other law contained, no Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland passed after the eleventh day of December, 1931, shall extend, or be deemed to extend, to the Union as part of the law of the Union, unless extended thereto by an Act of the Parliament of the Union.

Adoption of parts of Statute of Westminster.

3. The parts of the Statute of Westminster, 1931 (22, Geo. V, c. 4) and the Afrikaans version thereof, set forth in the Schedule to this Act, shall be deemed to be an Act of the Parliament of the Union and shall be construed accordingly.

King to act with advice of his South African Ministers.

4. (1) The Executive Government of the Union in regard to any aspect of its domestic or external affairs is vested in the King, acting on the advice of His Ministers of State for the Union, and may be administered by His Majesty in person or by a Governor-General as his representative.

(2) Save where otherwise expressly stated or necessarily implied, any reference in the South Africa Act and in this Act to the King shall be deemed to be a reference to the King acting on the advice of his Ministers of State for the Union.

(3) The provisions of sub-sections (1) and (2) shall not be taken to affect the provisions of sections twelve, fourteen, twenty and forty-five of the South Africa Act and the constitutional conventions relating to the exercise of his functions by the Governor-General under the said sections.

Amendment of section 2 of South Africa Act.

5. Section two of the South Africa Act is hereby amended by the insertion after the word 'implied' of the words -

' "heirs and successors" shall be taken to mean His Majesty's heirs and successors in the sovereignty of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland as determined by the laws relating to the succession of the Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland'.

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