

Hampering
manœuvres.

238. Every person who without reasonable excuse obstructs or interferes with manœuvres authorized under section two hundred and five is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars.

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Unlawfully
dealing with
property.

239. (1) Every person who
(a) unlawfully disposes of or removes any property;
(b) when lawfully required, refuses to deliver up any property that is in his possession; or
(c) except for lawful cause, the proof of which lies on 10 him, has in his possession any property,
is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence.

Definition.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "property" means any public property under the control of the Minister, 15 non-public property, and property of any of His Majesty's Forces or of any forces co-operating therewith.

Assisting or
harbouring
deserters or
absentees.

240. (1) Every person who
(a) procures, persuades, aids, assists or counsels an officer or man to desert or absent himself without 20 leave; or
(b) in an emergency, aids, assists, harbours or conceals an officer or man who is a deserter or an absentee without leave and who does not satisfy the court that he did not know that such officer or man was a deserter 25 or an absentee without leave,
is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and not less than one hundred dollars or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding twelve months or to both fine and 30 imprisonment.

Certificate
of Judge
Advocate
General.

(2) A certificate signed by the Judge Advocate General, or such person as he may appoint for that purpose, that an officer or man was convicted under this Act, of desertion or absence without leave or had been continuously absent 35 without leave for six months or more, and setting forth the date of commencement and the duration of such desertion, absence without leave or continuous absence without leave, shall for the purposes of proceedings under this section be evidence that the officer or man was a deserter or absentee 40 without leave during the period mentioned in the certificate.

Aid to
intending
deserters or
absentees.

241. Every person who, knowing that an officer or man is about to desert or absent himself without leave, aids or assists him in his attempt to desert or absent himself without leave is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary con- 45 viction to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding twelve months or to both fine and imprisonment.