

I assent.

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GEORGE VELLA
President

25th October, 2019

ACT No. XXVII of 2019

AN ACT to amend the Occupational Health and Safety Authority Act, Cap. 424.

BE IT ENACTED by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. The short title of this Act is the Occupational Health and Safety Authority (Amendment) Act, 2019, and this Act shall be read and construed as one with the Occupational Health and Safety Authority Act, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act".

Short title.

Cap. 424.

2. In sub-article (1) of article 2 of the principal Act immediately after the definition "Code of Practice" there shall be added the following new definition:

Amendment of article 2 of the principal Act.

" "disciplined force" shall have the same meaning as is assigned to it by article 47 of the Constitution and shall include the Civil Protection Department established by the Civil Protection Act;"

Cap. 411.

3. Article 3 of the principal Act shall be substituted by the following:

Substitution of article 3 of the principal Act.

"3. This Act shall apply to all work places and to all

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sectors of work activity, both public and private, and to all work activities, but shall not apply in the case of those activities carried out by members of a disciplined force, having characteristics particular to an activity by the disciplined force inevitably conflicting with this Act, including activities relating to civil emergencies, public order, national security or operations by the military:

Provided that with regard to the exclusions mentioned in the previous paragraph, the health and safety of the workers concerned must be ensured for the purposes of the scope of this Act:

Provided further that the phrase "operations by the military" shall exclude any action antecedent to the operation."

Passed by the House of Representatives at Sitting No. 256 of the 21st October, 2019.

CLAUDETTE BUTTIGIEG
Deputy Speaker

RAYMOND SCICLUNA
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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