

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



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Julius Nyerere
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President

12TH AUGUST, 1975

An Act to confer upon Peoples Militia powers of arrest for Criminal Offences

[..... AUGUST, 1975]

ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

1. This Act may be cited as the Peoples Militia (Powers of Arrest) short title Act, 1975.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

Interpretation

"Minister" means the Minister for Home Affairs;

"Peoples Militia" means an organized group of the people of the United Republic operating with the authority of and under the aegis of the Government and which is receiving any military training or participating in any military, quasi-military or law enforcement exercise for the protection of the sovereignty of the United Republic or for the protection of the people or the property of the United Republic, but does not include the Police Force, any arm or branch of the Defence Forces, the Prisons Service or the National Service.

3. Every member of the Peoples Militia shall have the same powers of arrest for breach of any provision of a written law and of search as are vested in a police officer of the rank of constable and such powers may be exercised subject to the same limitations, restrictions and conditions as apply in relation to an arrest or search effected by such police officer:

Powers of arrest

Provided that the Minister may by notice in the *Gazette* designate ranks in the Peoples Militia which shall for the purposes of this Act, be comparable to the ranks in the Police Force specified in relation thereto in such order and where such order is made a member of the Peoples Militia of a rank so designated shall have the same powers of arrest and of search as police officer of comparable rank.

Passed in the National Assembly on the seventeenth day of July, 1975.



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Clerk of the National Assembly

