

Assented to in Her Majesty's name this 24th day of
July, 1968.

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BANJA TEJAN-SIE,
Acting Governor General.

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The Protective Custody (Nullification) Act, 1968 Short title.

[25th July, 1968.] Date of commencement.

WHEREAS by Decrees entitled the National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) Decree, 1967 and the National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) (No. 2) Decree, 1967, the National Reformation Council sought to legalise the purported protective custody of certain persons:

N.R.C. Decree No. 6 of 1967.
N.R.C. Decree No. 25 of 1967.

N.R.C. Decree No. 35 of 1967.

N.R.C. Decree No. 26 of 1967.

AND WHEREAS by Decrees entitled the National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) (Revocation) Decree, 1967 and the National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) (No. 2) (Revocation) Decree, 1967, that same Council purported to revoke the aforesaid National Reformation Council Protective Custody Decrees:

AND WHEREAS the so-called National Reformation Council was a body established by force and in contravention of the Constitution of Sierra Leone and therefore had no legal authority to enact laws for the people of Sierra Leone:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 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:—

N.R.C. Decrees Nos. 6, 25, 26 and 35 of 1967 declared null and void.

1. The Decrees specified in the Schedule hereto shall be deemed to have been null and void *ab initio* and accordingly no such Decree shall provide a defence in any proceedings whether civil or criminal instituted before or after the commencement of this Act in which the detention or imprisonment of any person is alleged.

SCHEDULE

1. The National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) Decree, 1967 (N.R.C. Decree No. 6 of 1967).
2. The National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) (No. 2) Decree, 1967 (N.R.C. Decree No. 25 of 1967).
3. The National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) (No. 2) (Revocation) Decree, 1967 (N.R.C. Decree No. 26 of 1967).
4. The National Reformation Council (Protective Custody) (Revocation) Decree, 1967 (N.R.C. Decree No. 35 of 1967).

Passed in the House of Representatives this 16th day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight.

J. E. W. DAVIES,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.

THIS PRINTED IMPRESSION has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which has passed the House of Representatives and found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.

J. E. W. DAVIES,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives