

dated 14th November, 1985

SIGNED this 11th day of November, 1985.

SIAKA STEVENS
President.

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No. 8

Sierra Leone

The Constitution (Amendment) (No. 3) Act, 1985

Short title.

Being an Act to amend the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1978
(Act No. 12 of 1978)

[14th November, 1985] Date of commencement.

BE IT ENACTED by the President and Members of Parliament
in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1. The Constitution of Sierra Leone 1978 (Act No. 12 of 1978) hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (6) of section 23 thereof of the following new subsection—

Section 23(6)
of Constitu-
tion replaced

“(6) A person elected to the office of President under this section shall assume that office on the day upon which he is declared elected, or upon the date his predecessor ceases to hold office as President by that office becoming vacant in any manner described in section 23 of this Constitution, whichever is the later.”

23(7) 2. The said section 23 of the Constitution is hereby further substituted. amended by the substitution for the proviso to subsection (7) thereof of the following new proviso—

“Provided that—

- (i) where any proceedings have been lawfully commenced or taken for the purposes of the election and assumption of office of a President in accordance with paragraph (a) of this subsection, it shall not be necessary for the said proceedings to be recommenced or retaken whether or not a President has thereby been duly elected, by reason only that a vacancy has occurred in the office of President otherwise than by effluxion of time; and the said proceedings shall, subject to the provisions of this Constitution, be continued and completed in accordance with this Constitution and any law for the time being in force relating thereto, with such modifications as may be necessary; and
- (ii) where the office of President becomes vacant during a period when Parliament is dissolved, the Presidential Election shall be held and completed before the the election of Members of Parliament.”

8 of 3. (1) For section 28 of the said Constitution there is hereby substituted the following new section—
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etc.

“Vacancy in office of President.

28. (1) The Office of President shall become vacant—

- (a) on the expiration of the period prescribed in subsection (1) of section 25 of this Constitution; or
- (b) where the incumbent dies or resigns or retires from that office, or
- (c) where the incumbent ceases to hold that office in pursuance of section 30 or 31 of this Constitution:

sed in Parliament this 31st day of October in the year of our Lord
usand nine hundred and eighty-five.

R. C. O. GILPIN-JACKSON, J.P.
Clerk of Parliament.

PRINTED IMPRESSION has been carefully compared by me with the
h has passed Parliament and found by me to be a true and correctly
opy of the said Bill.

R. C. O. GILPIN-JACKSON, J.P.
Clerk of Parliament.