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2003, No. 17

An Act to amend the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act 2003

(10 September 2003)

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Cook Islands in Session assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title - This Act may be cited as the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Amendment Act 2003 and shall be read together with and deemed part of, the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act 2003 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act").

2. Interpretation - Section 3 of the principal Act is amended by deleting the definition of "criminal matters" and substituting the following new definition -

"criminal matter" means an offence against a provision of -

- (a) any law of the Cook Islands, for which the maximum penalty is imprisonment for a term of not less than 12 months or a fine of more than \$5,000;
- (b) a law of a foreign country, in relation to acts or omissions, which had they occurred in the Cook Islands, would have constituted an offence for which the maximum penalty is imprisonment for a term of not less than 12 months, or a fine of more than \$5,000;".

This Act is administered by the Crown Law Office