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# COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY (STATE HOUSING CORPORATION) (IMPLEMENTATION OF FINDINGS) ACT, 1979

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[Issue 1]

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# COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY (STATE HOUSING CORPORATION) (IMPLEMENTATION OF FINDINGS) Act, 1979<sup>2</sup>

AN ACT to provide for the forfeiture to the State of certain properties and for related matters.

# 1. Houses forfeited to the Republic

The houses described in the first column of the First Schedule, belonging to the persons specified in the second column in relation to each of those houses, are hereby forfeited to the Republic and accordingly are hereby vested in the Republic free from all encumbrances.

# 2. Houses revested in the Corporation

- (1) The estate houses described in the first column of the Second Schedule, belonging to the persons specified in the second column in relation to each of the houses, are hereby revested in the State Housing Corporation for reallocation free from all encumbrances.
- (2) Despite subsection (1) a person whose estate house has been so revested may opt for a refund of the moneys paid by that person to the State Housing Corporation in respect of the house or for the moneys to be applied towards the purchase price of another estate house, but in the case of the last two named persons in the Schedule their moneys shall be refunded without any option.

# 3. Persons to surrender one house each to the Corporation

- (1) The persons specified in the Third Schedule shall each surrender forthwith free from all encumbrances to the State Housing Corporation one of the estate houses described in relation to that person.
- (2) The State Housing Corporation shall refund the moneys paid by those persons in respect of the houses surrendered to the Corporation.

The Act was issued as the Committee of Inquiry (State Housing Corporation) (Implementation of Findings)
Decree, 1979 (A.F.R.C.D. 69) made on the 21st day of September, 1979 and notified in the *Gazette* on 23rd
September, 1979. The Decree had the following Preamble:

<sup>&</sup>quot;WHEREAS on the 10th day of August, 1979 the Armed Forces Revolutionary Council caused to be published certain findings made by the Committee of Inquiry into the Affairs of the State Housing Corporation appointed under section 26 of the National Redemption Council (Establishment) Proclamation, 1972;

AND WHEREAS the said findings declared that there were certain irregularities and malpractices in the allocation of estate houses built by the Corporation and in the dealings of certain persons with the Corporation;

AND WHEREAS the Armed Forces Revolutionary Council deems it fit to give due effect to the said findings:".

# 4. Corporation not liable for cost of extensions

The State Housing Corporation is not liable to pay the cost of the extensions, improvements or renovations made to any of the houses revested in or surrendered to the Corporation under sections 2 and 3.

### 5. Surrender of property

A person who immediately before the coming into force of this Act is in possession of any of the estate houses referred to in the First, Second and Third Schedules shall surrender it forthwith to the President or to a person authorised by the President or to the State Housing Corporation<sup>2</sup>.

# 6. Ex gratia payments

The Government may, and despite anything to the contrary, make provisions for the compensation of a person who satisfies the Government regarding the granting of a loan on the security of the property forfeited to the Republic by this Act, being a loan a part of which remains for the time being unpaid.

# 7. Payment of moneys to the Republic

Each of the persons specified in the first column of the Fourth Schedule shall pay forthwith into the Consolidated Fund the sum specified in relation to that person in the second column of the Schedule.

# 8. Refund to the Corporation

Each of the persons specified in the first column of the Fifth Schedule shall pay forthwith to the State Housing Corporation the sum specified in relation to that person in the second column of the Schedule.

#### 9. Offences

A person who

- (a) refuses or without reasonable excuse, the proof of which lies on that person, fails to surrender an estate house or pay the money required to be surrendered or paid under this Act,
- (b) otherwise obstructs the President or a person authorised by the President or the State Housing Corporation in the recovery of the revesting of any of the estate houses specified in the First and Second Schedules in the Republic or the State Housing Corporation,

commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding two thousand penalty units or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding ten years or to both the fine and the imprisonment.

<sup>2.</sup> The reference to the Armed Forces Revolutionary Council has been replaced by reference to the President.

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## 10. Commencement

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## FIRST SCHEDULE

[Section 1]

# Houses Forfeited to the Republic

	Description of House	Owner
1.	No. 99A, 4th Norla Street, North Labone, Accra	E. K. Mensah
2.	No. 100A, 4th Norla Street, North Labone, Accra	Nana Akua Addae
3.	No. 101A, 4th Norla Street, North Labone, Accra	Kwame Antwi Adjei Boateng, alias Joseph Antwi Adjei
4.	No. 98A, 4th Norla Street, North Labone, Accra	Edward Osei Boakye
5.	No. 6, 4th Norla Street, North Labone, Accra	Miss Barbara Boakye
6.	No. 97A, 4th Norla Street, North Labone, Accra	Nour el Din Captan
7.	No. 161A, 4th Norla Street, North Labone, Accra	K. Owasa Adjei
8.	No. 11, 1st Close, East Cantonments, Accra	E. K. Buckman
9.	No. H461, Kwadaso, Kumasi	Commander G. E. Osei
10.	No. A66, Airport, Kumasi	A. A. T. Ankrah
11.	No. A24, Airport, Kumasi	Paul Acheampong
12.	No. A105, Airport, Kumasi	Ernest Brefo

## SECOND SCHEDULE

[Section 2]

# Houses Revested in the State Housing Corporation

Description of House	Owner
1. No. G12, Patasi, Kumasi	Hanna Bouley
2. No. G15, Patasi, Kumasi	Florence Sarpong
3. No. G13, Patasi, Kumasi	Victoria Akyea
4. No. G14, Patasi, Kumasi	Elizabeth Yeboab
5. No. H25, Patasi, Kumasi	Esther Arhin
6. No. A46, Patasi, Kumasi	J.K.Taah
7. No. F25, Patasi, Kumasi	Alhaji Yaya

The section provides that the Decree shall be deemed to have come into force on the 10th day of August, 1979.

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# SECOND SCHEDULE - continued

	Description of House	Owner
8.	No. F447, Kwadaso, Kumasi	Peter Adu Adjei
9.	No. A42, Airport, Kumasi	Alfred Boadi
10.	No. A9, Airport, Kumasi	Yaw Boateng
11.	No. A10, Airport, Kumasi	Charles Osei Bonsu
12.	No. A22, Airport, Kumasi	Joseph Frimpong
13.	No. A34, Airport, Kumasi	Grace Achiaa
14.	No. A33, Airport, Kumasi	Kwaku Asante
15.	No. A52, Airport, Kumasi	Afua Fofie
16.	No. A26, Airport, Kumasi	Kwame Sarpong
17.	No. A70, Airport, Kumasi	Yaw Amankwa
18.	No. A56, Airport, Kumasi	Yaa Konasu
	No. C3A, New Effiakuma	A.Y.Bediako
20.	No. C15, New Effiakuma	Lawrence Osei Kwaku
21.	No. 125, Pedu	Miss Victoria Asher
22.	No. 11, Carrot Street Mawuli, Ho	Master Alfred Adu Aboagye
23.	No. 9, Carrot Street, Mawuli, Ho	Miss Millicent Adu Aboagye

# THIRD SCHEDULE

[Section 3]

# Houses One of which is to be Surrendered to State Housing Corporation

	Description of House	Owner
1.	Nos. A.23 and 24, Tamale	J. A. Braimah, Jnr.
2.	Nos. L.7 and 8, Tamale	Albert B. Katon
3.	Nos. H.7 and 8, Tamale	Kwesi Prempeh
4.	Nos. L.11 and 12, Tamale	A.A. Mortrage
5.	Nos. K.7 and 8, Tamale	S.M. Sibidow
6.	Nos. F.13 and 14, Bolgatanga	Mohammed Issaka & Co.
7.	Nos. J.7 and 8, Bolgatanga	Braimah Zira Issaka
8.	Nos. H.13 and 14, Bolgatanga	Yakubu Seidu

# FOURTH SCHEDULE

## [Section 7]

# Unlawfully Acquired Moneys to be Paid into Government Chest

	Name	Amount
5.	Timothy Oku	7,000.00
6.	Ade Bashiru	3,000.00
7.	Delanyo	3,000.00
8.	Hayford	5,000.00

# FIFTH SCHEDULE

## [Section 8]

# Moneys to be Refunded to the Housing Corporation

	Name	Amount
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1.	S. A. Boadu	75,965.00
2.	Kabara of Jafi Trading Enterprise	50,000.00
3.	Major M. K. Botchway	4,200.00
4.	Kwabena Bartels	757.52
5.	D. O. Annan	109,557.56
6.	Major-General N.A. Aferi	29,686.36
7.	Henry Ofori Attah	7,028.42
8.	LtCol. S.K. Bawuah	77,438.20
9.	Col. George Slater	74,024.30