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AN ACT to restrict the use of military uniforms and to provide for related matters.

1. Military uniforms not to be worn by civilians

A person shall not wear or use any military uniform, equipment, accoutrements or any other materiel unless that person is

- (a) a member of the Armed Forces of Ghana wearing or using the uniform, equipment, accourrements or material which that person is authorised to wear or use; or
- (b) a member of any other Armed Forces and has the consent of the President, or is entitled by law or by diplomatic usage to wear or use that uniform, equipment, accourtements or materiel; or
- (c) an ex-serviceman wearing or using the uniform, equipment, accourtements or materiel on a ceremonial, anniversary or any other special occasion approved by the President; or
- (d) a person whom the President has, by executive instrument, authorised to wear or use the uniform, equipment, accoutrements or materiel.

2. Unauthorised persons not to sell or buy military uniforms

A person shall not sell or buy military uniforms, equipment, accourrements or any other materiel unless that person is authorised in that behalf by the President.

3. Licences not to be issued for the importation of military uniforms

Except as the President may, in a particular case otherwise direct, a licence shall not be issued under the relevant enactment for the importation of any military uniform, equipment, accourtements or other materiel.

The Act was issued as the Restriction on Use of Military Uniforms and Equipment Decree, 1967 (N.L.C.D. 177) made on the 7th day of June, 1967 and published in the Gazette on 16th of June, 1967.

4. Offence

- (1) A person who contravenes a provision of this Act commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty penalty units or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding one year or to both the fine and imprisonment.
- (2) A prosecution shall not be instituted under this section without the consent of the Attorney-General.

5. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

"Armed Forces" includes the Police and Prisons Services;

"military" shall be construed as relating to all or any of the Armed Forces, the Police and Prisons Services;

"military uniform, equipment, accoutrements or other materiel" does not include accommodation stores and military vehicles but includes every manner of second-hand military uniform, equipment, accoutrements or other materiel worn or used by the Armed Forces of Ghana or of any other country although the uniform, equipment, accoutrements or materiel has ceased to be worn or used by the Armed Forces.