THE BURMA OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT
[INDIA ACT XVI, 1923] (2nd April, 1923)


Foot Note - 2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context:

(1) any reference to a place belonging to [the State] includes a place occupied by any department of the Government, whether the place is or is not actually occupied by [the State];

(2) any reference in this Act to communicating or communicating include any corresponding or communicating, whether in whole or in part, and whether the sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information itself or the substance, effect or description of the sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information, as the case may be, whether in whole or in part, is communicated or corresponded with, as the case may be, by the accused, or by or on his behalf;

(3) any reference in this Act to any sketch, plan, model, article, note, or document includes a sketch, plan, model, article, note, or document relating to or communicating with the whole or any part of any sketch, plan, model, article, note, or document included in the sketch, plan, model, article, note, or document to which the reference is made;

(4) "unlawful" includes an act of, or an omission to, do or refrain from doing;

(5) "related" includes design, pattern and specimen;

(6) "はずです" includes part of a description;

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(10) "original" includes an unsigned or an unsigned original;

(11) "related" includes design, pattern and specimen.

For the purpose of this Act, in any proceedings against a person for an offence under section 3, the fact that he has been in communication with a foreign agent, or at any address, whether within or without the Union of Burma, in respect of which it appears that he was in communication with a foreign agent, or any address at which a foreign agent, or his servant or agent, resided, or to which he resorts for the purpose of giving or receiving communications, or at

issued and executed, and any such person may be remanded in custody or on bail, notwithstanding that such accused, commit the case for trial by that Court, notwithstanding that it is not a case exclusively triable by that Court.

13. Any person who attempts to commit or abets the commission of an offence under this Act shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine, or with both.

14. If any person possesses or uses or wears, without lawful authority, any naval, military, air force, police or other official uniform, or any article or any such counterfeited die, seal or stamp as aforesaid; or

(3) Any person guilty of an offence under this section shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to fourteen years.

(2) If any person possesses or uses or wears, without lawful authority, any naval, military, or air force authority appointed by or acting under the authority of Government, or any die, seal or stamp of or belonging to, or used, or countersigned, or altered, or irregular official document; or

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14. In addition and without prejudice to any powers which a Court may possess to order the exclusion of the public from any proceedings, if in the course of proceedings before a Court against any person for an offence under this Act, or of the proceedings on appeal, or in the course of the trial of a person under this Act, application is made by the prosecution, on the ground that the publication of any evidence to be given or of any statement to be made in the course of the proceedings would be prejudicial to the safety of the State, that all or any part of the public shall be excluded during any part of the hearing, the Court may make an order to that effect, but the passing of sentence shall in every case take place in public.

15. Where the person guilty of an offence under this Act is a company or corporation, every director and officer of the company or corporation with whose knowledge and consent the offence was committed shall be guilty of the like offence.

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