CONVENTION ABOLISHING THE REQUIREMENTS OF LEGALISATION FOR FOREIGN PUBLIC DOCUMENTS ACT

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1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Convention Abolishing the Requirements of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents Act.

2. Interpretation

In this Act-

"Convention" means the Convention Abolishing the Requirements of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents signed at the Hague on 5 October 1961, and published under Government Notice 14 of 1966;

"Minister" means the Minister to whom responsibility for the subject of external affairs is assigned.

3. Convention to have force of law

Notwithstanding any other enactment, the Convention shall have the force of law in Mauritius.

4. Competent authority

The authority required to be designated under Article 6 of the Convention as being competent to issue, in Mauritius, the certificate referred to in the first paragraph of Article 3 of the Convention shall be the Permanent Secretary, or in his absence, a Principal Assistant Secretary, of the Prime Minister's Office.

5. Evidence

Where in any proceedings any question arises as to the competency of the authorities designated by any contracting State to the Convention to

issue the certificate referred to in the first paragraph of Article 3 of the Convention, a statement in writing issued by or under the authority of the Minister stating any fact relating to that question shall be conclusive evidence of that fact.