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PUBLIC ORDER ACT (CHAPTER 257A)

PUBLIC ORDER (ELECTION MEETINGS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 47 of the Public Order Act, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Public Order (Election Meetings) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and come into operation on 1 June 2017.

Amendment of regulation 1

2. Regulation 1 of the Public Order (Election Meetings) Regulations 2009 (G.N. No. S 486/2009) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended by deleting the words "(Election Meetings)" and substituting the words "(Election Meetings in Parliamentary Elections)".

Deletion and substitution of regulation 2

3. Regulation 2 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

"Application to election meetings in parliamentary elections

- **2.** These Regulations apply only to the following public assemblies (called in these Regulations election meetings):
 - (a) a public assembly (whether held wholly inside a building or enclosed premises or outdoors) organised by or on behalf of a candidate nominated in accordance with the provisions of the Parliamentary

Elections Act (Cap. 218) for election as a Member of Parliament for an electoral division, and held at any time on or after nomination day but before the eve of polling day of a parliamentary election under that Act, to promote or procure the electoral success at the parliamentary election for one or more identifiable political parties, candidates or groups of candidates or to otherwise enhance the standing of any such political parties, candidates or groups of candidates with the electorate in connection with the election;

(b) a public assembly (whether held wholly inside a building or enclosed premises or outdoors) organised by or on behalf of a candidate in any parliamentary election under the Parliamentary Elections Act to show support for the candidate at or about the time the results of the parliamentary election may be declared under section 49(7) or (7E) or 49A(5) of that Act.".

Amendment of regulation 3

- **4.** Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting the definition of "candidate" and substituting the following definition:
 - ""candidate" means the individual who is nominated in accordance with the provisions of the Parliamentary Elections Act (Cap. 218) for election as a Member of Parliament for an electoral division;";
 - (b) by deleting the words "or section 43(1) of the Presidential Elections Act" in the definition of "election agent"; and
 - (c) by deleting the words "or a presidential election under the Presidential Elections Act, as the case may be" in the definitions of "nomination day" and "polling day".

[G.N. No. S 134/2011]

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(To be presented to Parliament under section 47(4) of the Public Order Act).