Memorandum by the Minister of Justice

A Bill entitled an Act to continue in force certain expiring Regulations

The Expiring Regulations Continuance Act, 1948 continued in force certain defence regulations which were found to be of continuing necessity. The Original schedule to the Act contained no less than 37 regulations, but these have now been reduced to only three, which, unless continued in force by the Bill under review, would otherwise expire on the 28th of February, 1966.

The Regulations to be retained are:-

- a. Government Notice 464/1940 suspending the operation of Ordinance XXXIII of 1939.
- b. Government Notice 242/1943 publishing the Agricultural Leases (Restitution of Rent) (Emergency) Regulations, 1943.
- c. Government Notice 621/1945 publishing regulations appointing Building Inspectors.

The object of the attached Bill is to continue in force the aforequoted regulations for a further period of one year pending the making of alternative provisions by way of permanent legislation.

The Bill in respect of rural leases has been drafted and should come up for discussion in the near future.

Honourable Ministers are invited to recommend.

17th December, 1965. CAG/401/49.

Art Case

AN ACT to continue in force certain expiring regulations.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives of Malta, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows: -

Short title and commencement

This Act may be cited as the Expiring Regulations Continuance Act, 1966 and shall come into operation on the 1st day of March, 1966.

Continuance in force of certain

(1) The regulations set out in paragraphs 2,4 and 6 of the Schedule to the Expiring Laws regulations. Act Continuance Act, 1948, are hereby continued in force . LXI of 1948 for a further period of one year as from the 1st day of March, 1966.

> Provided that the Prime Minister may at any time by notice in the Government Gazette revoke any such regulations, in whole or in part, or amend the same.

> (2) Any order or instrument made or any direction given under the regulations continued in force by subsection (1) of this section, in so far as such order or instrument or direction is now still in force, shall be continued in force in like manner.

Objects and Reasons

The object of this Bill is to continue in force some of the Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1948, for a further period of one year.

-- Arkivji Nazzjona