

**CITIZENSHIP OF BOTSWANA (SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS)
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 1974**

No. 13



of 1974

An Act to amend the Citizenship of Botswana (Supplementary Provisions) Law, 1966

Date of Assent: 12. 8.74

Date of Commencement: 30. 8.74

ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana.

1. This Act may be cited as the Citizenship of Botswana (Supplementary Provisions) (Amendment) Act, 1974. Short title

2. The Citizenship of Botswana (Supplementary Provisions) Law, 1966 is amended by inserting immediately after section 16 thereof the following new section — Addition of new section 16A Law 39, 1966

“Contradictory statements

16A. (1) Where any person makes any statement for the purpose of procuring anything to be done or not to be done under Chapter III of the Constitution or under this Law, or any statement as to his place of birth or the place of birth of either of his parents, or as to his status or citizenship for the purposes of Chapter III of the Constitution or of this Law, and such statement contradicts in a material detail a previous statement made by him for one or other of the said purposes, or a statement made by him on oath or in the form of an affidavit in a country outside Botswana for a similar purpose in such country such person shall be guilty of an offence, and shall be liable to imprisonment for one year and to a fine of R500.

(2) Upon the trial of any person for an offence under this section, it shall not be necessary to prove the falsity of either of the contradictory statements, but upon proof that both the statements were by him, the court shall, subject to subsection (3), convict the accused person.

(3) Upon the trial of any person for an offence under this section it shall be a defence for the accused person to prove to the court that the conflicting statements were not made with the intention of deceiving or misleading anyone in Botswana.

(4) Upon the trial of a person for an offence under this section the production of a statement, or affidavit, as the case may be, purporting to be signed by the accused person shall be sufficient evidence that such a statement or affidavit was made by such accused person, unless the contrary be proved.

Passed by the National Assembly this 3rd day of July, 1974.

I.P. GONTSE,
Clerk of the National Assembly.