

I assent.

(L.S.)

GUIDO DE MARCO
President

1st February, 2000

ACT No. III of 2000

AN ACT to amend the Constitution of Malta.

BE IT ENACTED by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Constitution of Malta (Amendment) Act, 2000, and shall be read and construed as one with the Constitution of Malta, hereinafter referred to as “the Constitution”. Short title and commencement.

(2) This Act shall be deemed to have come into force on such date as the Prime Minister may by notice in the Gazette establish.

2. For section 22 of the Constitution there shall be substituted the following: Substitution of section 22 of the Constitution.

“Citizenship regulated by law. 22. (1) The acquisition, possession, renunciation and loss of Maltese citizenship shall be regulated by law.

(2) Dual or multiple citizenship is permitted in accordance with any law for the time being in force in Malta.”.

3. Sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30 and 31 of the Constitution shall be repealed. Deletion of sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30 and 31 of the Constitution.

Renumbering
of section 28
of the Constitution.

4. Section 28 of the Constitution shall be renumbered as section 23 thereof.

Amendment
of section 29
of the Constitution.

5. Section 29 of the Constitution shall be renumbered as section 24 thereof, and for subsection (2) thereof there shall be substituted the following:

“(2) In this section:

“alien” means a person who is not a Commonwealth citizen, a British protected person or a citizen of the Republic of Ireland;

“British Protected Person” means a person who is a British protected person for the purposes of the British Nationality Act, 1948 or any other law of the United Kingdom replacing that Act;

“foreign country” means any country (other than the Republic of Ireland) that is not part of the Commonwealth.”.

Amendment to
Fourth Schedule
to the Constitution.

6. For the words “(Section 28)” in the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution, there shall be substituted the words “(Section 23)”.

Passed by the House of Representatives at Sitting No. 230 of 31st January, 2000.

ANTON TABONE
Speaker

RICHARD J. CAUCHI
Clerk to the House of Representatives