THE CHAGOSSIAN WELFARE FUND (AMENDMENT) ACT 2012

Act No. 3 of 2012

I assent

Mrs Monique Agnes OHSAN BELLEPEAU, GOSK

31st May 2012 Acting President of the Republic

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An Act

To amend the Chagossian Welfare Fund Act

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows –

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Chagossian Welfare Fund (Amendment) Act 2012.

2. Interpretation

In this Act –

2A. **Section 4 of principal Act amended**

Section 4 of the principal Act is amended, in paragraph (d), by deleting the words “Chagossian Community Centres of Pointe aux Sables and Tombeau Bay” and replacing them by the words “Marie Lisette Talate Chagossian Community Centre of Pointe aux Sables and the Chagossian Community Centre of Tombeau Bay”.

3. **Section 6 of principal Act amended**

Section 6 of the principal Act is amended –

(a) in subsection (1)(i), by inserting, after the words “Chagossian community”, the words “, 2 of whom shall be children of members of the Chagossian community”;

(b) in subsection (2) –

(i) in paragraph (b), by adding the words “and children of members of the Chagossian community”;

(ii) by adding the following new paragraph –

(c) In this subsection –

“child of a member of the Chagossian community” means a child of a member of the Chagossian community who is a citizen of Mauritius and is resident in Mauritius, and to whom an identity card so identifying that person has been issued by the Board under section 7(2)(b) of the Act.

4. **Section 7 of principal Act amended**

Section 7 of the principal Act is amended, in subsection (2) –

(a) by lettering the existing provision as paragraph (a);

(b) by adding the following new paragraph –

(b) In the exercise of its powers under paragraph (a), the Board may issue identity cards to children of members of the Chagossian community.
5. **Consequential amendments**

(1) The Ilois Welfare Fund (Election of Members) Regulations 2001 are amended –

(a) by deleting the word “Ilois” wherever it appears and replacing it by the word “Chagossian”;

(b) in regulation 2, by inserting, in the appropriate alphabetical order, the following new definition –

“child of a member of the Chagossian community” means a child of a member of the Chagossian community who is a citizen of Mauritius and is resident in Mauritius, and to whom an identity card so identifying that person has been issued by the Board under section 7(2)(b) of the Act;

(c) in regulation 8 –

(i) in paragraph (1), by inserting, after the word “community”, the words “, and every child of a member of the Chagossian community,”;

(ii) in paragraph (2), by adding the words “, 2 of whom shall be children of members of the Chagossian community who have been issued an identity card by the Board under section 7(2)(b) of the Act”.

(2) The Ilois Welfare Fund (Register of Members) Regulations 2001 are amended by deleting the word “Ilois” wherever it appears and replacing it by the word “Chagossian”.

Passed by the National Assembly on the twenty ninth day of May two thousand and twelve.

**Ram Ranjit Dowlutta**

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