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PROMULGATED TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF
THE INTERNATIONAL TREATIES ON NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES

SINGAPORE

Communicated by the Government of Singapore

NOTE BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL – In accordance with the relevant Articles of the International Treaties on Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following legislative text.

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THE MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT, 1973.

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THE MISUSE OF DRUGS (APPROVED) INSTITUTIONS AND
TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION REGULATIONS, 1976

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34 of the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1973, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Approved Institutions and Treatment and Rehabilitation) Regulations, 1976.

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires

"inmate" means a drug addict or abuser who is an inmate of an approved institution;

"medical officer" means a Government medical officer who for the time being is assigned to perform the functions of a medical officer under these Regulations;

"supervision officer" means any person appointed by the Minister under regulation 8;

"probation officer" means any person appointed as a probation officer under section 3 of the Probation of Offenders Act. Cap. 117

3. (1) Subject to any directions of the Minister, an approved institution shall be under the general charge and supervision of a Superintendent.

(2) The Superintendent of an approved institution shall be responsible for the welfare, discipline and control of the inmates and may issue general orders which shall be observed by the inmates.

4. Every inmate shall, upon admission to an approved institution, be examined by a medical officer.

5. (1) Except as provided by regulation 6, every inmate shall, upon completion of his medical examination, undergo a period of detoxication during which no medication shall be given unless in the opinion of a medical officer it is necessary to save the inmate's life.

(2) The period of detoxication shall not exceed seven days.

6. (1) No inmate who is above the age of fifty-five years shall be subject to detoxication.

(2) No inmate who is certified by a medical officer to be medically unfit to undergo detoxication shall be subject to detoxication but such inmate shall undergo detoxication as soon as he is found fit by a medical officer to do so.

(3) The Minister may for special reasons exempt any inmate from undergoing detoxication.

7. During the period of his detoxication no person shall be allowed to visit an inmate.

8. (1) The Minister may appoint supervision officers for the purposes of this regulation.

(2) The Director of the Central Narcotics Bureau may make an order directing a person who has completed treatment at an approved institution to report to a supervision officer or a probation officer for the purpose of supervision for such period as the Director considers necessary, and such person shall, during the period he is subject to supervision, observe the following requirements:

- (a) report to the supervision officer or the probation officer at such times as may be directed by the supervision officer or the probation officer;
- (b) not change his residence without the written authority of the supervision officer or the probation officer;
- (c) not leave Singapore without the approval of the supervision officer or the probation officer;

- (d) immediately notify the supervision officer or the probation officer of any change in his employment;
- (e) not be found in any place or in the company of any person specified by the Director at any time.

(3) A person subject to an order of supervision who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the requirements in paragraph (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Made this 20th day of August, 1976.

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