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An Act to provide for the establishment of the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute and for matters connected therewith.

[23/2015]

[7 June 1968]

Short title

1. This Act is the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute Act 1968.

[23/2015]

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Board” means the Board of Trustees of the Institute constituted under section 4;

“Chairperson” means the Chairperson of the Board appointed under section 4;

“Director” means the Director of the Institute, and includes any individual acting in that capacity;

“Institute” means the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute established under section 3;

“regulations” means regulations made by the Executive Committee under section 14.

[23/2015; 5/2018]

Establishment of Institute

3. For the promotion of research on Southeast Asia and on all matters appertaining to Southeast Asia, there is established an Institute styled “the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute”.

[23/2015]

Constitution of Board of Trustees

4.—(1) A body corporate called the Board of Trustees of the Institute is constituted, which —

(a) has perpetual succession;

(b) has a common seal; and

(c) may sue and be sued in its corporate name.

[23/2015]

(2) The Board consists of a Chairperson, a Deputy Chairperson and 12 other members to be appointed by the Minister.

[23/2015]

(3) The Director is an ex-officio member of the Board.

(4) The Chairperson, the Deputy Chairperson and other members appointed by the Minister under subsection (2) hold office for a

period of up to 3 years, unless the Minister otherwise directs, and are eligible for re-appointment.

[23/2015]

(5) The Minister may at any time revoke an appointment made under subsection (2).

(6) Any member of the Board may resign from the Board by giving written notice to that effect addressed to the Chairperson and as from the date the Chairperson receives the notice the member ceases to be a member.

(7) If the Chairperson is absent from any meeting of the Board, the Deputy Chairperson must chair the meeting.

(8) The Board may grant leave of absence to any member of the Board.

(9) Any member absent from 4 consecutive meetings of the Board without having obtained leave of absence from the Board is considered as having resigned from the Board.

(10) If a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Board by the death, resignation or revocation of appointment of a member or otherwise, the Minister may appoint any person to fill the vacancy, and any person so appointed holds office for so long as the member in whose place the person is appointed would have held office.

[23/2015]

(11) The Board must meet at least once a year.

Powers of Board

5. The Board has power —

- (a) to receive and approve the annual report and accounts of the Institute;
- (b) to approve the budget and research programme of the Institute;
- (c) to set up endowment funds and other funds for a specific purpose or specific purposes; and