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An Act to enable Singapore to fulfil its obligations respecting Article 41 of the Charter of the United Nations.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the United Nations Act 2001 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Power to make regulations to enable effect to be given to Article 41 of Charter of United Nations

2.—(1) Subject to subsection (2), if, under Article 41 of the Charter of the United Nations signed at San Francisco on 26th June 1945 (being the Article which relates to measures not involving the use of armed force), the Security Council of the United Nations calls upon the Government to apply any measures to give effect to any decision of that Council, the Minister may, from time to time, make all such regulations as appear to him to be necessary or expedient for enabling those measures to be effectively applied, including (without prejudice to the generality of the preceding words) provisions for —

- (a) the apprehension, trial and punishment of persons offending against the regulations; and
- (b) empowering any person or class of persons to exercise, when investigating any offence under this Act or any regulations made thereunder, all or any of the powers of a police officer under the Criminal Procedure Code (Cap. 68) in relation to seizable offences.

(2) The measures to be applied under subsection (1) shall not apply to any financial institution or class of financial institutions to the extent that the financial institution or class of financial institutions is or may be subject to the directions of the Monetary Authority of Singapore under section 27A of the Monetary Authority of Singapore Act (Cap. 186).

(3) No regulation made under this Act shall be deemed to be invalid because it deals with any matter provided for by any written law, or because of repugnancy to or inconsistency with any written law other than the Constitution.