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ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

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Enactment

Interpretation

Act No. 3 of 2012

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PART I

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1. This Act may be cited as the Citizenship of Zambia Act, Short title 5 2016.

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

"associate" has the meaning assigned to it in the Anti-Corruption Act, 2012;

"Board" means the Citizenship Board of Zambia established under Article 41 of the Constitution;

"Chairperson" means the person appointed as the Chairperson of the Board or a person appointed to act as Chairperson under section *three*;

"Chief Passports and Citizenship Officer" means the person appointed as such under section *ten*;

"citizen" has the meaning assigned to it in the Constitution;

Deputy Chief Passports and Citizenship Officer" means the person appointed as such under section *ten*;

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