

person in writing admits that he has committed the offence and requests the Commissioner General to deal with the offence under this Section.

(2) Where the Commissioner General makes an order under this Section-

- (a) the order shall be put into writing and shall have attached to it the request of the person to the Commissioner General to deal with the matter;
- (b) the order shall specify the offence which the person committed and the penalty imposed by the Commissioner General;
- (c) a copy of the order shall be given to the person if he so requests;
- (d) the person shall not be liable to further prosecution in respect of the offence save with the express consent in writing thereto of the Attorney-General; and, unless that consent has been given, if a prosecution is brought it shall be a good defence for that person to prove that the offence with which he is charged has been compounded under this Section; and
- (e) subject to paragraph (d), the order shall be final and shall not be subject to appeal and may be enforced in the same manner as a decree or order of the High Court.

PART XX - MISCELLANEOUS

276. Where under the provisions of this Act the master or agent of an aircraft or vessel is required to answer questions put to him by the Commissioner General or an officer, and the aircraft or vessel has not left its final position, anchorage or berth preparatory to leaving The Gambia, then the Commissioner General, or officer, may require the master to attend before him at the office of the Commissioner General, or of the officer, as the case may be, for the purpose of answering the questions:

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Provided that the master may, with the consent of the Commissioner General or officer, depute a senior officer of the aircraft or vessel to attend at the office for that purpose; and in that case any reply made to a question put to the senior officer by the Commissioner General or officer shall, for the purpose of this Act, be deemed to be a reply made by the master.

277. (1) Where the form of an entry, bond, return, account or other document required or authorized for the purposes of this Act has been prescribed, then all entries, bonds, returns, accounts or other documents shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain all the prescribed particulars.

(2) Where a prescribed form contains, by way of note or otherwise, a clear direction or indication of a requirement as to-

- (a) the colour or size of the form;
- (b) the number of copies of the form to be tendered (and the word "in duplicate" or similar words shall be sufficient indication of the number required);
- (c) the nature or form of the information to be furnished;
- (d) any action to be taken by the person concerned, or his agent, in the transaction in which the form is used;
- (e) the receipts to be signed by any person in proof of the fact that the goods described in the form have been received for carriage or otherwise,

then the requirements so indicated shall be deemed to have been prescribed.

(3) The proper officer may require copies of a prescribed form in addition to the numbers indicated on that form.