

Interpretation

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

"Authority" means The Gambia National Library Service Authority established under section 3 of this Act;

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the National Library Service Authority established under section 4 of this Act;

"books" include -

- (a) all literary works, such as books, pamphlets, music sheets, maps, charts, plans, tables and compilations;
- (b) dramatic works;
- (c) collective works, such as encyclopaedias, dictionaries, yearbooks and similar works, newspapers, magazines and similar periodicals;
- (d) works written in distinct parts by different authors in which a part or parts of works of different authors is or are incorporated and every part or division of such works; and
- (e) all forms, including electronic, in which documentary, visual or oral records are published;

"Director-General" means the Director-General of the National Library Service Authority;

"documentation service" means the publication, processing, preservation, summarization and indexing of books and other literary works, and includes the preparation of bibliographies, abstracts, copies and translations of books and other literary works;

"Minister" means the Minister responsible for matters relating to library services;

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"publisher", in relation to a book, includes a person authorizing or causing a book to be printed and distributed in The Gambia, a public officer acting in his or her capacity as such and any other person distributing in The Gambia a book published elsewhere.

PART II - ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GAMBIA NATIONAL LIBRARY SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

3. (1) There is established by this Act, The Gambia National Library Service Authority, which shall, under the direction of the Minister and in collaboration with the Ministry, enforce this Act.

(2) The Authority is a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and may -

- (a) sue or be sued in its corporate name;