THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

No. 53 of 1969

I ASSENT,

[Signature]

24TH DECEMBER, 1969

An Act to provide that no former Chief shall exercise any function under customary law or otherwise

[26TH DECEMBER, 1969]

ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

1. This Act may be cited as the African Chiefs Act, 1969 and shall be read as one with the African Chiefs Ordinance (Repeal) Act, 1963.

2.—(1) Any and every function, power or authority which, immediately prior to the date of the repeal of the African Chiefs Ordinance by the African Chiefs Ordinance (Repeal) Act, 1963, could be lawfully exercised or performed by a chief within the meaning of that Ordinance by reason that it was—

(a) a traditional function, power or authority of such chief; or

(b) a function, power or authority conferred upon such chief by customary law,

is hereby abolished and to the extent to which any customary law confers upon a chief any function, power or authority such law shall be invalid.

(2) Any person who exercises or performs or who attempts to exercise or perform any function, power or authority which has been abolished by subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on
conviction to a fine not exceeding one thousand shillings and, in the case of a second or subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding two thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Passed in the National Assembly on the seventeenth day of December, 1969.

Clerk of the National Assembly