An Act to amend the Tanzania National Scientific Research Council Act, 1968

ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

1. This Act may be cited as the Tanzania National Scientific Research Council (Amendment) Act, 1981, and shall be read as one with the Tanzania National Scientific Research Council Act, 1968, in this Act referred to as "the principal Act".

2. Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in their appropriate alphabetical position the following new definitions:-

"award" means the Tanzania Award for Scientific and Technological Achievement instituted under section 5A;

"Awards; Committee" means the Tanzania Scientific and Technological Achievement Award Committee established under section 5B.

3. The principal Act is hereby amended by adding, immediately after section 5, the following new sections:

5A.-(1) There is hereby instituted an award to be known as the Tanzania Award for Scientific and Technological Achievement.

(2) The award may be conferred upon any person who, or institution or body corporate which, within the United Republic, makes an invention or discovery which in the
opinion of the Awards Committee is likely to promote and accelerate the social and economic progress of the United Republic.

(3) The award shall comprise an appropriate symbolic modal and such money as the Council may, in consultation with the Minister, determine from time to time.

5B.- (1) There shall be established an Awards Committee which shall consist of-

(i) a Chairman, who shall be appointed by the Minister from among the members of the Council;

(ii) The Director-General, who shall also be the Secretary;

(iii) four other members who shall be appointed by the Minister.

(2) in appointing persons to the Awards Committee, the Minister shall give consideration to persons who have knowledge and experience of the application of science and technology.

(3) A member of the Awards Committee shall, unless he sooner ceases to be a member, hold office for a period of three years from the date of his appointment, and shall be eligible for re-appointment.

(4) The function of the Awards Committee shall be to consider applications or proposals for the conferment of awards under this Act and make recommendations to the Council.

(5) In deciding whether or not any application or proposal for the conferment of an award under this Act may be granted, the Awards Committee shall consider the importance of the invention or discovery in its application to the solution of the social and economic problems of the United Republic.

(6) The Awards Committee may co-opt any person whose knowledge and experience in the application of science and technology may be of assistance to the Awards Committee in considering any application or proposal for the conferment of an award under this Act.

4. Section 12 of the principal Act is hereby amended in subsection (1) by-

(a) deleting the full stop which appears at the end of subsection (1) and substituting for it a semi-colon;

(b) adding, immediately after paragraph (b) the following new Paragraphs:
'(c) prescribing the procedure for the making of an application or proposal for the conferment of an award under this Act;

(d) prescribing anything which under the provisions of this Act may be prescribed.'

Passed in the National Assembly on the twenty-seventh day of July, 1981.

Clerk of the National Assembly