

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



No. 21 OF 1983

I ASSENT,

*Julius K. Nyerere*  
.....  
President

11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1983

**An Act to validate some of the procedures followed in the primary nomination, selection and final nomination of candidates for the 1983 local government authorities elections, and to provide for incidental and consequential and transitional matters in relation to those elections**

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WHEREAS after the approval by the National Assembly of the establishment of District Councils in Mainland Tanzania, and the appointment of a date for local government authorities elections, aspiring candidates submitted their nominations to the respective Returning Officers on the 4th day of August, 1983:

AND WHEREAS after primary nominations, consideration for the purpose of casting preferential votes on the aspiring candidates was given, variously, by Branch Executive Committees, Branch Political Committees, and by joint meetings of Branch Political Committees or Branch Executive Committees at the ward level;

AND WHEREAS each such procedure was either in compliance with the relevant existing provisions of the Local Authorities (Elections) Act, 1979, or in compliance with directions oblivious of the law given by Party authorities;

AND WHEREAS, being desirous of avoiding the possibility of large-scale nullification of elections resulting from such procedures unprescribed by law, with consequences inimical to the public interest, the Government suspended the subsequent stages of the electoral process;

AND WHEREAS it is meet that the electoral process be resumed, proceeded with, and completed as soon as possible:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania as follows:

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Validation  
of electoral  
procedures

Resumption  
of electoral  
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1. This Act may be cited as the Local Authorities (Electoral Procedures) (Validation) Act, 1983, and shall be read together with the Local Authorities (Elections) Act, 1979.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day immediately following that on which it is assented to by the President.

3.—(1) Every meeting of the Branch Executive Committee, the B Political Committee or joint meetings of Branch Executive Committees at the ward level, held for the purposes of section 45 of the Local Authorities (Elections) Act, 1979, shall each be deemed to have been a proper meeting held in accordance with the provisions of section 45 of that Act.

(2) Every meeting of the District Political Committee held for the purpose of the selection of candidates and at which candidates were finally nominated shall each be deemed to have been held and to have made final nominations in pursuance of directions given by the relevant Electoral Authorities in accordance with the provisions of section 46(4) of the Local Authorities (Elections) Act, 1979.

4.—(1) Where immediately before the suspension of the electoral process, two candidates had been finally nominated for election in a ward, the Electoral Authority shall appoint a day not less than twenty one days and not more than twenty eight days after the day following the assent to this Act by the President to be election day in that ward.

(2) For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding the suspension of the electoral process, the day immediately following the date of assent to this Act by the President shall be deemed to be final nomination day, and the subsequent stages of the electoral process shall be proceeded with and concluded in accordance with the corresponding provisions of the Local Authorities (Elections) Act, 1979.

Passed in the National Assembly on the thirtieth day of September, 1983.

  
Clerk of the National Assembly