

ABORIGINALS.
**THE NORTHERN TERRITORY OF
 AUSTRALIA.**

No. 4 of 1939.

AN ORDINANCE

To amend the Aboriginals Ordinance 1918-1937.

[Notified in *Commonwealth Gazette*, No. 17, 5th April, 1939.]

BE it ordained by the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Northern Territory Acceptance Act 1910-1919* and the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1933*, as follows:—

Short title and citation

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Aboriginals Ordinance 1939*.

(2.) The *Aboriginals Ordinance 1918-1937* is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Aboriginals Ordinance 1918-1939*.

Amendment Principal Ordinance

2. The Principal Ordinance is amended as set out in the Schedule to this Ordinance.

Definitions.

3. Section three of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

(a) by omitting the definition of “Chief Protector”;

(b) by omitting the words “Chief Protector” (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the word “Director”;

(c) by inserting after the definition of “Department” the following definition:—

“‘Director’ means the Director of Native Affairs appointed under this Ordinance.”; and

(d) by omitting the definition of “Reserve” and inserting in its stead the following definition:—

“‘Reserve’ means any lands which, in pursuance of any Ordinance or other law now, heretofore or hereafter in force in the Territory, are declared to be a reserve for aboriginals or are reserved for the use and benefit of the aboriginal native inhabitants of the Territory or for the use and benefit of the aboriginal inhabitants of the Territory.”

Director of Native Affairs.

4. Section four of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

(a) by omitting sub-section (1.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section:—

“(1.) There shall be a Director of Native Affairs, to be appointed by the Minister, who shall under

and execution of this Ordinance.”;

(b) by [redacted] the words “Chief Protector” (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the word “Director”; and

(c) by omitting sub-section (6.).

5. Any person holding office as Chief Protector or Acting Chief Protector at the commencement of this Ordinance shall, until a Director of Native Affairs is appointed under the *Aboriginals Ordinance 1918-1939*, exercise the powers and functions of the Director of Native Affairs.

Powers of Chief Protector pending appointment of Director.

6. Any reference to the Chief Protector in any deed, instrument or other document, signed or executed by him in pursuance of any power or function exercised by him in pursuance of the *Aboriginals Ordinance 1918* or in pursuance of that Ordinance as amended from time to time, shall be deemed to be a reference to the Director of Native Affairs.

References in documents to Chief Protector.

THE SCHEDULE.

Sec. 2.

Amendments of the Principal Ordinance.

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3A	Omit “Chief Protector” (wherever occurring), insert “Director”
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64A	Omit “Chief Protector” (wherever occurring), insert “Director”
67	Omit “Chief Protector” (wherever occurring), insert “Director”

Dated this fourth day of April, 1939.

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Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. McEWEN

Minister of State for the Interior.