

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



No. 23 OF 1968

I ASSENT

*Julius K. Nyerere*  
President

16th MAY, 1968

**An Act to amend the Newspaper Ordinance**

[17TH MAY, 1968]

ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

1. This Act may be cited as the Newspaper Ordinance (Amendment) Act, 1968 and shall be read as one with the Newspaper Ordinance.

Short title  
Cap. 229

2. The Newspaper Ordinance is hereby amended by adding, immediately below section 21, the following new section:—

New section  
21A added  
to Cap. 229

“President  
may  
prohibit  
publication  
of news-  
paper

21A.—(1) Where the President is of the opinion that it is in the public interest or in the interest of peace and good order to do so, he may, by order in the *Gazette*, direct that the newspaper named in the order shall cease publication as from the date (hereinafter referred to as the effective date) specified in the order.

(2) Every order made under subsection (1) shall specify—

- (a) the title or name of the newspaper in respect of which it is made; and
- (b) the names of the proprietor, printer and publisher of such newspaper:

Provided that no order made under subsection (1) shall be invalid by reason of non-description or misdescription of the proprietor, printer or publisher or any of them.

(3) Where an order under subsection (1) is made in respect of any newspaper—

- (a) any person who, on or after the effective date, prints or publishes or causes to be printed or published the newspaper named in the order shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or to both such fine and imprisonment;

(b) any person who, on or after the effective date, sells, offers to sell, exposes for sale, distributes or exhibits, or causes to be exhibited, in any public place any copy or part of a copy of the newspaper named in the order, whether or not such copy or part was printed or published prior to the effective date, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand shillings or to imprisonment not exceeding two years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

(4) Where any person is convicted of an offence under this section the court by which such person is convicted may, notwithstanding the provisions of section 7 of the Criminal Procedure Code, impose the maximum fine prescribed by this section for such offence.

(5) For the purposes of this section "public place" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Penal Code."

Cap. 20

Cap. 16

Passed in the National Assembly on the tenth day of May, 1968.

  
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Clerk to the National Assembly