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PART I

Acts, Ordinances, President's Orders and Regulations

SENATE SECRETARIAT

Islamabad, the 2nd June, 1997

No. F. 9(19)/97-Legis.—The following Acts of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) received the assent of the President on the 31st May, 1997, are hereby published for general information:—

ACT No. XVI of 1997

An Act further to amend the Offences in Respect of Banks (Special Courts) Ordinance, 1984

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Offences in Respect of Banks (Special Courts) Ordinance, 1984 (IX of 1984), for the purpose hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows :-

- Short title and commencement.—(1) This Act may be called the
 Offences in Respect of Banks (Special Courts) (Amendment) Act, 1997.
 - It shall come into force at once.
 - Amendment of section 3, Ordinance IX of 1984.—In the
 Offences in Respect of Banks (Special Courts) Ordinance, 1984 (IX of 1984),
 hereinafter referred to as the said Ordinance, for section 3 the following shall be
 substituted, namely:—
 - "3. Establishment of Special Courts.—(1) The Federal Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, establish as many Special Courts as it considers necessary to try scheduled offences and appoint a Judge for each of such Courts, and where it establishes more Special Courts than one, it shall specify in the notification the territorial limits within which each of the Special Courts shall exercise jurisdiction under this Ordinance.
 - (2) A Judge of a Special Court shall be appointed by the Federal Government after consultation with the chief Justice of the High court of the Province in which the Special Court is established and no person shall be

appointed a Judge of a Special Court unless he has been a Judge of High Court or is, or has been, a Sessions Judge.

- (3) A Judge of a Special Court, not being a Sessions Judge, shall be appointed for a term of three years from the date on which he enters upon his office.
- (4) The salary, allowances and other terms and conditions of service of a person appointed as a Judge of a Special Court shall be such as may be determined by the Federal Government.
- (5) A Special Court shall hold its sittings at such places within its territorial limits as may be determined by the Federal Government.
- (6) A person, not being a Sessions Judge, appointed as a Judge of the Special Court, may, by notice in writing under his hand, addressed to the Federal Government, resign from his office.
- (7) A person appointed as a Judge of the Special Court may be removed from his office in consultation with the Chief Justice of the High Court.".
- 3. Amendment of section 5, Ordinance IX of 1984.—In the said Ordinance, in section 5, in sub-section (7) the word "twice" shall be omitted.

ABDUL QAYYUM KHAN,
Secretary.