44. (1) In this section—

"official seal", in relation to a company, means the official seal referred to in subsection (2);

"place abroad" means any territory, district or place not situate in the State.

- (2) A company may, if authorised by its constitution, have for use in any place abroad an official seal which shall resemble the common seal of the company with the addition on its face of the name of every place abroad where it is to be used.
- (3) A deed or other document to which an official seal is duly affixed shall bind the company as if it had been sealed with the common seal of the company.
- (4) A company having an official seal for use in any place abroad may, by writing under its common seal, authorise any person appointed for the purpose in that place (the "agent") to affix the official seal to any deed or other document to which the company is party in that place.
- (5) The authority of the agent shall, as between the company and any person dealing with the agent, continue during the period, if any, mentioned in the instrument conferring the authority, or, if no period is there mentioned, then until the notice of revocation or determination of the agent's authority has been given to the person dealing with him or her.
- (6) The person affixing an official seal shall, by writing under his or her hand, certify on the deed or other instrument to which the seal is affixed, the date on which and the place at which it is affixed.