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AN ACT TO ENABLE AFFIDAVITS REQUIRED FOR ANY PURPOSE WHATSOEVER TO BE IN THE SINHALESE OR TAMIL LANGUAGE.

[Date of Assent: April 25, 1953.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Representatives of Ceylon in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Affidavits Act, No. 23 of 1953.

Short title.

2. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any other written law, an affidavit required for any purpose whatsoever may be written, and sworn or affirmed, in the Sinhalese or Tamil or English language.

Affidavits may be in the Sinhalese or Tamil or English language.

(2) Where an affidavit in the Sinhalese or Tamil language is to be used in such legal proceedings as are in the English language, it shall be accompanied by a translation thereof in the English language made and signed by an interpreter of the Supreme Court, or by a Government sworn translator, or by a sworn translator or interpreter of some District Court or Court of Requests.