

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXPLOSIVES ACT CAP. E18, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004 TO EMPOWER THE OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISER TO MAKE REGULATIONS FOR THE CONTROL OF EXPLOSIVES FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING AND SECURING PUBLIC SAFETY AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji

[] Commencement

Enacted by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:

1 1. The Explosives Act CAP. E18, Laws of the Federation of
2 Nigeria, 2004 (in this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as
3 set out in this Bill.

Amendment of
the Principal Act
Cap. E18, LFN,
2004

4 2. Section 1 of the Principal Act is amended:

Amendment of
Section 1

5 (a) In sub-section (1) by substituting for the existing subsection (1),
6 new subsections 1/(1)" and 11(2)":

7 “(1) The Office of the National Security Adviser may make
8 regulations with respect to explosives for the purpose of maintaining and
9 securing public safety to give effect to the provisions of this Bill;

10 “(2) In exercise of powers conferred on the Office of the National
11 Security Adviser by sub clause (1) of this clause, the office shall be
12 responsible for review and update of the controlled list of explosives”;

13 (b) in subsection (2) by substituting the existing paragraph (e) for a
14 new paragraph "(e)":

15 “(e) any customs officer or other person who aids, counsels,
16 procures or conspires with any other person to contravene the regulations
17 made under this clause shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction
18 to imprisonment for life.”

Citation

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3. This Bill may be cited as Explosives Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill amends the Explosives Act Cap, E18, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 to empower the Office of the National Security Adviser (ONSA) to make regulations for the control of explosives and provides stiffer penalty for its contravention to maintain and secure public safety in Nigeria.