ADEN

1955 No. 1654

The Aden Colony (Amendment) Order, 1955

Made - - - - 28*th October*, 1955
Laid before Parliament 2*nd November*, 1955
Coming into Operation On a day to be appointed under Section 1 (3).*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 28th day of October, 1955

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in that behalf by the British Settlements Acts, 1887 and 1945(**a**), or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation, construction and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Aden Colony (Amendment) Order, 1955, and shall be read and construed as one with the Aden Colony Orders, 1936 to 1947(**b**).

(2) The Aden Colony Orders, 1936 to 1947, and this Order may be cited together as the Aden Colony Orders, 1936 to 1955.

(3) This Order shall be published in the Gazette, and shall come into operation on such day as the Governor shall, by Proclamation in the Gazette, appoint, which day shall not be earlier than the day after the day on which this Order shall have been laid before both Houses of Parliament.

Amendment of section 4 *of Order of* 1944

2. For subsection (2) of section 4 of the Order of 1944 there shall be substituted the following subsection:—

"(2) The Council shall consist of—

(*a*) the Governor as President;

(*b*) four ex officio Members;

(*c*) not more than five Nominated Official Members;

* Day appointed, 15.11.55.
(**a**) 50 & 51 Vict. c. 54 and 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 7.
(**b**) S.R. & O. 1936/1031 (Rev. I, p. 7: 1936 I, p. 1), S.R. & O. 1944/1316 (Rev. I, p. 11: 1944 I, p. 1) and S.R. & O. 1947/2778 (Rev. I, p. 18: 1947 I, p. 1).

(*d*) not more than five Nominated Unofficial Members, of whom one shall be representative as far as practicable of the commercial interests of the Colony ; and

(*e*) four Elected Members, of whom three shall represent electoral districts (by whatever name called) and one shall represent the Council of the Aden Municipality."

Amendment of section 6 of Order of 1944

3. In section 6 of the Order of 1944 and the marginal note thereto the words " Nominated Official Members " shall be substituted for the words " Official Members ".

Amendment of section 7 of Order of 1944

4. In section 7 of the Order of 1944 and the marginal note thereto the words " Nominated Unofficial Members " shall be substituted for the words " Unofficial Members ".

Insertion of new sections 7A to 7C in Order of 1944

5. Immediately after section 7 of the Order of 1944 there shall be inserted the following sections:—

" Elected Members.

7A. The Elected Members shall be persons qualified for election in accordance with the provisions of this Order and elected in the manner provided by, or in pursuance of, any law or regulation for the time being in force in the Colony.

Qualifications for elected membership.

7B. Subject to the provisions of section 7C of this Order any person who—

(*a*) (i) is a British subject born in the Colony, or

(ii) not being born in the Colony, is a British subject or British protected person and has resided in the Colony for a period of seven years out of the ten years immediately before the date of his nomination for election ; and

(*b*) is a male person of not less than twenty-one years of age ; and

(*c*) (i) is the owner of immovable property within the Colony of a value of not less than one thousand five hundred shillings, or

(ii) has been, for twelve months out of the twenty-four months immediately preceding the date of his nomination for election, in occupation of residential or business premises in the Colony of an annual value of not less than two hundred and fifty shillings, or

(iii) has been in receipt of an average monthly income of not less than two hundred shillings during the twelve months immediately before the date of his nomination for election ; and

(*d*) in the case of the person elected to represent the Council of the Aden Municipality, is at the date of his nomination for election either an elected member or an appointed member of such Council within the meaning of the constitution of the Aden Municipality granted under the Municipal Ordinance, 1953(**a**), or a member of any Commission appointed by the Governor in pursuance of the provisions of that Ordinance,

shall be qualified to be elected as an Elected Member and no other person shall be qualified to be so elected.

Disqualifications for nominated unofficial and elected membership.

7C. No person shall be qualified to be appointed as a Nominated Unofficial Member or elected as an Elected Member who—

(*a*) is, by virtue of his own act, under any acknowledgment of allegiance, obedience or adherence to a foreign Power or State ; or

(*b*) except in the case of the Member elected to represent the Council of the Aden Municipality, holds, or is acting in, any office of emolument under the Crown in the Colony ; or

(*c*) is an undischarged bankrupt, having been adjudged or otherwise declared bankrupt under any law in force in any part of Her Majesty's dominions ; or

(*d*) is a person adjudged to be of unsound mind or detained as a criminal lunatic under any law in force in the Colony ; or

(*e*) has been sentenced by a court in any part of Her Majesty's dominions to death, or to imprisonment (by whatever name called) for a term exceeding twelve months, and has not either suffered the punishment to which he was sentenced or such other punishment as may by competent authority have been substituted therefor, or received a free pardon ; or

(*f*) in the case of an Elected Member, is disqualified for election to the Council by any law or regulation for the time being in force in the Colony by reason of his holding, or acting in, any office the functions of which involve—

(i) any responsibility for, or in connection with, the conduct of any election, or

(ii) any responsibility for the compilation or revision of any electoral register ; or

(*g*) is disqualified for membership of the Council by any law or regulation for the time being in force in the Colony relating to offences connected with elections."

(a) Ordinance No. 10 of 1953.

Replacement of section 8 of Order of 1944

6. For section 8 of the Order of 1944 there shall be substituted the following sections:—

"Tenure of office of Nominated and Elected Members.

8.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order, every Nominated Member shall hold his seat in the Council during Her Majesty's pleasure.

(2) Every Nominated or Elected Member shall in any case cease to be a Member at the next dissolution of the Council after his appointment or election, or previously thereto if his seat shall become vacant under the provisions of this Order.

(3) The seat of a Nominated or Elected Member shall become vacant—

(*a*) upon his death; or

(*b*) if he shall be absent from three consecutive meetings of the Council without having obtained from the Governor, before the termination of any of such meetings, permission to be or to remain absent therefrom; or

(*c*) if, being a Nominated Member, he is nominated as a candidate in any election of a Member to the Council, or, being an Elected Member, is appointed as a Nominated Member; or

(*d*) if he shall cease to be a British subject or cease to be a British protected person without becoming a British subject; or shall take any oath, or make any declaration or acknowledgment, of allegiance, obedience or adherence to any foreign Power or State; or shall do, concur in or adopt any act done with the intention that he shall become a subject or citizen of any foreign Power or State; or

(*e*) if he shall be adjudged or otherwise declared bankrupt under any law in force in any part of Her Majesty's dominions; or

(*f*) if he shall be sentenced by a court in any part of Her Majesty's dominions to death or to imprisonment (by whatever name called) for a term exceeding twelve months; or

(*g*) if he shall become subject to any of the disqualifications specified in paragraphs (*d*) or (*g*) of section 7C of this Order; or

(*h*) if, in the case of an Elected Member, he shall cease to have the qualifications specified in paragraph (*c*) of section 7B of this Order or shall become subject to the disqualification specified in paragraph (*f*) of section 7C of this Order; or

(*i*) if, being a Nominated Official Member, he shall cease to hold an office of emolument under the Crown in the Colony; or

(*j*) if, being a Nominated Unofficial Member or an Elected Member other than a member elected to represent the Council of the Aden Municipality who was at the date of his election holding an office of emolument under the Crown in the Colony, he shall be appointed permanently to any such office.

(4) If a Nominated Unofficial or Elected Member be appointed temporarily to any office of emolument under the Crown in the Colony or shall be appointed to act in any such office, he shall not sit or vote in the Council so long as he continues to hold or act in that office.

(5) If the Council of the Aden Municipality shall be prohibited by the Governor, acting in pursuance of the provisions of any law for the time being in force in the Colony, from performing its powers and duties, the Governor may, by instrument under the Public Seal of the Colony, declare that the Elected Member elected to represent the Council of the Aden Municipality shall cease to be a Member of the Council, and thereupon the seat of that Member shall become vacant.

(6) If a Commission appointed by the Governor to exercise the powers and duties of the Council of the Aden Municipality shall cease to hold office, the Governor may, by instrument under the Public Seal of the Colony, declare that a member of such Commission elected to represent that Council in the Legislative Council shall cease to be a Member of the Council, and thereupon the seat of that Member shall become vacant.

(7) (*a*) A Nominated Unofficial Member or an Elected Member may, by writing under his hand addressed to the Governor, resign his seat in the Council, and upon receipt of such resignation by the Governor the seat of such Member shall become vacant.

(*b*) A Nominated Official Member may by writing under his hand addressed to the Governor resign his seat in the Council and upon acceptance of such resignation by the Governor the seat of such Member shall become vacant.

(8) Any person whose seat in the Council has become vacant may, if qualified, again be appointed or elected as a Member of the Council from time to time.

(9) Whenever the seat of a Nominated Member becomes vacant, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

(10) Whenever the seat of an Elected Member becomes vacant, the vacancy shall be filled by election in accordance with any law or regulation for the time being in force in the Colony.

Determination of questions as to membership.

8A.—(1) All questions which may arise as to the right of any person to be or remain an ex officio or Nominated Member shall be referred to the Governor and shall be determined by the Governor.

(2) All questions which may arise as to the right of any person to be or remain an Elected Member shall be referred to and be determined by the Supreme Court of the Colony in accordance with the provisions made in that behalf by any law or regulation for the time being in force in the Colony."

Amendment of section 9 of Order of 1944

7. In section 9 of the Order of 1944 the words "Nominated Member" shall be substituted for the words "Official Member or Unofficial Member".

Insertion of new section 9A in Order of 1944

8. Immediately after section 9 of the Order of 1944 there shall be inserted the following new section:—

"Nominated Member incapable of discharging functions.

9A. The Governor may, by instrument under the Public Seal of the Colony, declare a Nominated Member of the Council to be, by reason of illness, temporarily incapable of discharging his functions as a Member of the Council, and thereupon such Member shall not sit or vote in the Council until he is declared, in manner aforesaid, again to be capable of discharging his said functions."

Replacement of section 10 of Order of 1944

9. For section 10 of the Order of 1944 there shall be substituted the following section:—

"Provisional appointments.

10.—(1) Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the number of persons sitting in the Council as ex officio or Nominated Members by reason of the fact that—

(*a*) an ex officio Member or a Nominated Official Member is administering the Government of the Colony; or

(*b*) one person is lawfully discharging the functions of more than one of the offices of Chief Secretary, Attorney General, and Financial Secretary; or

(*c*) no person is lawfully discharging the functions of the office of Chief Secretary, or of Attorney General, or of Financial Secretary; or

(*d*) any such office has ceased to exist; or

(*e*) a Nominated Member is suspended from the exercise of his functions as a Member; or

(*f*) the seat of a Nominated Member is vacant for any cause other than the dissolution of the Council; or

(*g*) a Nominated Member is declared by the Governor by an instrument under the Public Seal of the Colony to be incapable of discharging his functions as a Member; or

(*h*) an ex officio or Nominated Member is absent from the Colony; or

(*i*) a Nominated Unofficial Member has been appointed temporarily to an office of emolument under the Crown in the Colony or to act in any such office,

the Governor may be an instrument under the Public Seal of the Colony appoint a person to be provisionally a Member for the period of such vacancy.

(2) Every person so appointed shall, so long as his appointment shall subsist, be to all intents and purposes—

(*a*) in the case of a vacancy in the number of persons sitting in the Council as ex officio Members or Nominated Official Members, a Nominated Official Member; and

(*b*) in the case of a vacancy in the number of persons sitting in the Council as Nominated Unofficial Members, a Nominated Unofficial Member,

and, subject to the provisions of this section, the provisions of sections 8, 9 and 9A of this Order shall apply accordingly:

Provided that, in the case of a vacancy in the number of persons sitting in the Council as ex officio Members, the person so appointed shall not be regarded as a Nominated Official Member in computing the number of such Members for the purposes of subsection (2) of section 4 of this Order."

Amendment of section 11 *of Order of* 1944

10. In subsection (2) of section 11 of the Order of 1944 the last sentence shall be deleted.

Amendment of section 12 *of Order of* 1944

11. Section 12 of the Order of 1944 shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) The figure and brackets "(1)" shall be inserted immediately before the words "The Members" at the commencement of the section;

(*b*) The word "Nominated" shall be inserted immediately before the words "Official Members" and the words "Unofficial Members", wherever those words appear;

(*c*) a reference to subsection (8) of section 8 of the Order of 1944 shall be substituted for the reference to subsection (5) of such section;

(*d*) the words "and Elected" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Unofficial";

(*e*) the following subsection shall be inserted immediately after the proviso:—

"(2) For the purposes of this section—

(*a*) when the Council is dissolved, Members appointed to fill vacancies caused thereby shall be deemed to have been appointed, and Members elected at the ensuing elections shall be deemed to have been elected, by virtue of those elections, on the date of the receipt by the Governor of the return of the first writ at those elections; and

(*b*) paragraph (*a*) of this subsection shall apply to the Members appointed or elected to the Council as first constituted after the date of the coming into operation of the Aden Colony

(Amendment) Order, 1955, as if such appointments or elections were consequent upon a dissolution of the Council; and

(*c*) in ascertaining the period during which a person has continuously been a Nominated Member or an Elected Member of the Council—

(i) no account shall be taken of any interval between the vacation by that person of his seat in the Council in consequence of a dissolution of the Council and the date of his re-appointment or re-election to fill a vacancy in the Council caused by that dissolution; and

(ii) if any person having been, for any period immediately before the date of the coming into operation of the Aden Colony (Amendment) Order, 1955, a Member of the Council, is appointed or elected as a Member by virtue of the first appointments or elections to the Council after such date, he shall be deemed to have been a Member of the Council for that period; and no account shall be taken of any interval between the end of that period and the date upon which he is first appointed or elected to the Council as aforesaid, or of any interval in his membership of the Council between the dissolution of the Council as constituted immediately before the date of the coming into operation of the Aden Colony (Amendment) Order, 1955, and his appointment or election to fill the vacancy caused by that dissolution."

Replacement of section 13 *of Order of* 1944

12. For section 13 of the Order of 1944 there shall be substituted the following sections:—

"Council may transact business notwithstanding vacancies.

13. The Council shall not be disqualified for the transaction of business by reason of any vacancy among the Members thereof including any vacancy not filled when the Council is first constituted or is reconstituted at any time; and any proceedings therein shall be valid notwithstanding that some person who was not entitled so to do sat or voted in the Council or otherwise took part in the proceedings.

Quorum.

13A. No business except that of adjournment shall be transacted in the Council if objection is taken by any Member present that there are less than six of the Members present besides the Governor or Member presiding."

Amendment of section 17 *of Order of* 1944

13. In section 17 of the Order of 1944—

(*a*) the words "by Order in Council or" shall be deleted from subsection (1); and

(*b*) the words "either by Order in Council or" shall be deleted from subsection (4).

Amendment of section 18 *of Order of* 1944

14. For subsection (3) of section 18 of the Order of 1944 there shall be substituted the following subsection:—

"(3) Every law so disallowed shall cease to have effect from the date of publication of such notice; and thereupon any enactment

repealed or amended by, or in pursuance of, the law disallowed shall have effect as if such law had not been made, and, subject thereto, the provisions of subsection (2) of section 38 of the Interpretation Act, 1889(a), shall apply to such disallowance as they apply to the repeal of an Act of Parliament."

Amendment of section 21 of Order of 1944

15. Section 21 of the Order of 1944 shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) the words "Except for the purpose of enabling this section to be complied with," shall be inserted before the words "No Member" at the commencement of the section;

(*b*) at the end of the proviso, a colon shall be substituted for the full stop, and the following proviso added:—

"Provided further that if, between the time when a person becomes a Member of the Council and the time when the Council next meets thereafter, a meeting takes place of any committee of the Council of which such person is a member, such person may, in order to enable him to attend the meeting, and take part in the proceedings, of the committee, take and subscribe the said oath or make the said affirmation before a judge of the Supreme Court of the Colony; and the taking and subscribing of the oath or the making of the affirmation in such manner shall suffice for all purposes of this section. In any such case the judge shall forthwith report to the Council through the Governor or, as occasion may require, through the Member presiding that the person in question has taken and subscribed the said oath or made the said affirmation before him."

Insertion of new sections 23A to 23E in Order of 1944

16. Immediately after section 23 of the Order of 1944 there shall be inserted the following sections:—

"Prorogation and dissolution.

23A.—(1) The Governor may at any time, by Proclamation published in the Gazette, prorogue or dissolve the Council.

(2) The Governor shall dissolve the Council at the expiration of three years from the date of the return of the first writ at the last preceding general election, if it shall not have been sooner dissolved.

General elections.

23B. There shall be a general election at such time, within three months after the coming into operation of the Aden Colony (Amendment) Order, 1955, and thereafter within three months after every dissolution of the Council, as the Governor shall be Proclamation published in the Gazette appoint.

Penalty for unqualified persons sitting or voting.

23C.—(1) Any person who—

(*a*) having been appointed or elected a Member of the Council, but not having been, at the time of such appointment or election, qualified to be so appointed or elected, shall sit or vote in the Council; or

(*b*) shall sit or vote in the Council after his seat therein has become vacant or he has become disqualified from sitting or voting therein,

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

knowing, or having reasonable grounds for knowing, that he was so disqualified, or that his seat has become vacant, as the case may be, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding four hundred shillings for every day upon which he so sits or votes.

(2) The said penalty shall be recoverable by action in the Supreme Court of the Colony at the suit of the Attorney General.

Privileges of Legislative Council and members.

23D. A law enacted under this Order may determine and regulate the privileges, immunities and powers of the Council and its Members, but no such privileges, immunities or powers shall exceed those of the Commons House of Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or of the Members thereof.

Laws as to elections.

23E.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order—

(*a*) provision may be made, by or in pursuance of any law enacted under this Order, for the election of three persons as Elected Members of the Council to represent electoral districts in the Colony; and

(*b*) The Governor may make provision by regulations for the election—

(i) by the Council of the Aden Municipality of a person, being a member of that Council, and

(ii) by any Commission appointed by the Governor, acting in pursuance of the provisions of any law for the time being in force in the Colony, to exercise and perform the powers and duties of the Council of the Aden Municipality, of a person, being a member of such Commission,

as an Elected Member of the Legislative Council to represent the Council of the Aden Municipality.

(2) For the purposes of an election under paragraph (*b*) of subsection (1) of this section, every person who is a member of the Council of the Aden Municipality or a member of the Commission, as the case may be, on the date on which such election is held shall have the right to vote.

(3) Any provision made in pursuance of subsection (1) of this section may (without prejudice to the generality of the powers therein conferred) include the following matters, that is to say:—

(*a*) the qualifications and disqualifications of electors;

(*b*) the registration of electors;

(*c*) the ascertainment of qualifications of electors and of candidates for election;

(*d*) the division of the Colony into electoral districts (by whatever name called) for the purpose of elections; and the division of electoral districts into polling divisions;

(*e*) the holding of elections;

(*f*) the determination of any question which may arise as to the right of any person to be or remain an Elected Member of the Council;

(*g*) the definition and trial of offences relating to elections and the imposition of penalties therefor, including disqualification for membership of the Council, or for registration as an elector, or for voting at elections, of any person concerned in any such offence ; and

(*h*) the disqualification for election as Members of the Council of persons holding, or acting in, any office the functions of which involve any responsibility for, or in connection with, the conduct of any election or the compilation or revision of any electoral register.

(4) The provision for the election of Elected Members of the Council made under and by virtue of the Aden Colony (Electoral Provisions) Order in Council, 1955(a), shall be deemed to have been made under and by virtue of the provisions of subsections (1) and (3) of this section."

Replacement of section 24 of Order of 1944

17. For section 24 of the Order of 1944 there shall be substituted the following section:—

"Interpretation.

24.—(1) In this Part of this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

"Council" means the Legislative Council established by this Order ;

"Council of the Aden Municipality" means the Council of the Aden Municipality constituted under the Municipal Ordinance, 1953 ;

"Elected Member" means a person who has been elected to the Council in accordance with any law or regulation for the time being in force in the Colony ;

"meeting" means any sitting or sittings of the Council, commencing when the Council first meets after being summoned at any time and terminating when the Council is adjourned *sine die* or at the conclusion of a session ;

"Nominated Member" means a Member whether Official or Unofficial who has been appointed to be a Member of the Council under the provisions of section 6 or section 7 of this Order ;

"session" means the sittings of the Council commencing when the Council first meets after being constituted under this Order, or after its prorogation or dissolution at any time, and terminating when the Council is prorogued or is dissolved without having been prorogued ;

"shillings" means shillings in the currency of the Colony ;

"sitting" means a period during which the Council is sitting continuously without adjournment, and includes any period during which the Council is in committee.

(2) Where in this Order reference is made to any officer by the term designating his office, such reference shall be construed as a reference to the officer for the time being lawfully discharging the functions of that office.

(a) S.I. 1955/1396 (p. 58 below).

(3) References in this Order to Her Majesty's dominions shall be construed as including a reference to all territories under Her Majesty's protection or in which Her Majesty has for the time being jurisdiction.

(4) (*a*) For the purposes of this Order a person shall not be considered to hold an office of emolument under the Crown if he is on leave of absence pending relinquishment of such office or by reason only that he is in receipt of a pension or other like allowance in respect of service under the Crown; and if it shall be declared by any law in force in the Colony that an office shall not be an office of emolument under the Crown for all or any of the purposes of this Order, this Order shall have effect accordingly as if such law were enacted therein.

(*b*) For the purposes of this Order a person shall not be considered to hold an office of emolument under the Crown by reason of the fact that he is in receipt of a salary or other emoluments in respect of his tenure of the office of Member of the Council or Member of the Executive Council.

(5) This Order shall be construed—

(*a*) as if subsection (1) of section 1 of the India (Consequential Provision) Act, 1949(**a**), applied to it in the same way as that subsection applies to laws in force on the date mentioned in that subsection; and

(*b*) as if subsection (2) of section 3 of the British Nationality Act, 1948(**b**), (as interpreted by subsection (1) of section 3 of the Ireland Act, 1949(**c**)), and subsection (2) of section 3 of the Ireland Act, 1949, applied to it as those subsections apply to laws in force at the dates of the commencement of those Acts respectively."

Amendment of section 2 of the Aden Colony Order, 1936

18. The definition of "the Governor" in subsection (1) of section 2 of the Aden Colony Order, 1936, shall be amended by inserting the words "and, to the extent to which a Deputy for the Governor is authorised to act, that Deputy" at the end of that definition.

First sitting of Council after commencement of this Order

19. The first sitting of the Council after the commencement of this Order shall be deemed to be the first sitting of the Council after a dissolution.

Vacation of seats of existing Members of Council

20. All members of the Council as constituted immediately before the day of the commencement of this Order shall vacate their seats on that day.

W. G. Agnew.

(**a**) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 92. (**b**) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 56.
(**c**) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 41.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to explain its general purport.)

This Order reconstitutes the Legislative Council of the Colony of Aden; inserts in the Aden Colony (Amendment) Order, 1944, a section relating to the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Council and its members and a section prescribing the penalty to which a person is liable for sitting or voting in the Legislative Council when not entitled to do so; and also provides that the definition of the Governor in the Aden Colony Order, 1936, shall include his Deputy.

1955 No. 1396

The Aden Colony (Electoral Provisions) Order in Council, 1955

Made - - - -	*8th September,* 1955
Laid before Parliament	*13th September,* 1955
Coming into Operation	*14th September,* 1955

At the Court at Balmoral, the 8th day of September, 1955

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas by the Aden Colony Orders, 1936 to 1947(**a**), (which Orders are herein together referred to as "the existing Orders") there is established a Legislative Council for the Colony of Aden:

And Whereas it is proposed that in due course, in place of the aforesaid Legislative Council, there should be established for the Colony a Legislative Council (hereinafter referred to as "the proposed Legislative Council") containing, in addition to certain other members, four elected members:

And Whereas it is expedient that, for the avoidance of delay in constituting the proposed Legislative Council, the Governor and the Legislature of the Colony established by the existing Orders should be empowered to make provision for the election of members to the proposed Legislative Council, notwithstanding that the same has not yet been established by Order of Her Majesty in Council:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in that behalf by the British Settlements Acts, 1887 and 1945(**b**), or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation, commencement and publication

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Aden Colony (Electoral Provisions) Order in Council, 1955.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1936/1031 (Rev. I, p. 7: 1936 I, p. 1), 1944/1316 (Rev. I, p. 11: 1944 I, p. 1), 1947/2778 (Rev. I, p. 18: 1947 I, p. 1).
(**b**) 50 & 51 Vict. c. 54 and 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 7.