

CHAPTER 2.

ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES BY
CONSULAR OFFICERS.

4 of 1940. AN ORDINANCE TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF
CERTAIN TREATIES OF COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION.

[22nd May, 1940.]

Short title.

1. This ordinance may be cited as the Administration of
Estates by Consular Officers Ordinance.

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tion of
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Officers.

2. Whenever any subject or citizen of any State mentioned
in the first column of the Schedule hereto—

- (a) dies within the Colony, or
- (b) dies outside the Colony leaving property within
the Colony,

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and no person is present in the Colony at the time of his death
who is rightfully entitled to administer the estate of such
deceased person, the Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent
of such State within the Colony may take possession and have
the custody of the property of such deceased person, and may
apply the same in payment of his debts and funeral expenses,
and may retain the surplus for the benefit of the persons
entitled thereto; but such Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular
Agent shall immediately apply for, and shall be entitled to
obtain from the Court, Letters of Administration of the
property of such deceased person, limited in such manner
and for such time as to the Court shall seem fit.

Variation of
Schedule.

3. It shall be lawful for the Governor by order published
in the *Gazette* to vary the Schedule—

- (a) by deleting therefrom any State when the provision
of the Treaty with that State mentioned in the
Schedule shall have ceased to have effect;

[Note. This Ordinance is declared to be in force in the Dependencies by the
Application of Colony Laws Ordinance, Cap. 1 (D.S.).]

- (b) by adding thereto any State with whom His Majesty shall make a Treaty of Commerce and Navigation containing provisions similar to any of the provisions mentioned in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Name of State.	Title of Treaty.	Date of Treaty.	Provision.
Finland	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Finland.	14th December, 1923.	Article 19. (third paragraph).
Greece	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Greece.	16th July, 1926.	Article 23.
Hungary	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Hungary.	23rd July, 1936.	Article 14.
Thailand	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Siam (Thailand).	23rd November, 1937.	Article 19.
Turkey	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Turkey.	1st March, 1930.	Article 28.
Yugoslavia	Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes.	12th May, 1927.	Article 24.