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**SPECIAL TRIBUNAL (MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES)
(AMENDMENT) DECREE 1984**



Decree No. 31

[31st December 1983]

Commence-
ment.

THE FEDERAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT hereby decrees as follows :—

1. The Special Tribunal (Miscellaneous Offences) Decree 1984 is hereby amended as follows :—

Amendment
of No. 20 of
1984.

(a) in subsection (2) of section 3 thereof immediately after the word "does" appearing in line 2, there shall be inserted the words "or attempts to do" ;

(b) for paragraph (k) of subsection (2) of section 3 thereof there shall be substituted the following new paragraph, that is—

"(k) without lawful authority (the proof whereof shall lie on the person accused), imports, exports, has in his possession, sells, buys, exposes for sale, smokes, inhales, otherwise deals with or in the drug popularly known as cocaine or any other similar drug or induces or causes any other person to import, export, buy, sell, expose for sale, smoke, inhale, the said drug or cocaine ;"

(c) immediately after subsection (5) of section 7 thereof, there shall be inserted a new subsection (6), that is—

"(6) Where a person aids, counsels, procures or conspires with any other person to commit any of the offences created by this Decree, he shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to the same punishment as prescribed for that offence under this Decree".

2. This Decree may be cited as the Special Tribunal (Miscellaneous Offences) (Amendment) Decree 1984 and shall be deemed to have come into force on 31st December 1983.

Citation and
commence-
ment.

MADE at Lagos this 9th day of November 1984.

MAJOR-GENERAL M. BUHARI,
*Head of the Federal Military Government,
Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces,
Federal Republic of Nigeria*

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of the above Decree but is intended to explain its purport)

The Decree amends the Special Tribunal (Miscellaneous Offences) Decree 1984, amongst other things, to make it an offence for any person, without lawful authority to import; export or be in possession of the drug known as cocaine and also creates additional offence of aiding, counselling, procuring or conspiring with any other person to commit an offence under the Decree.