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AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ACT,
No. 17 OF 1948

[Date of Assent: March 24, 1955]

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 Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Act, No. 8 of 1955.

Short title.

2. The Commissions of Inquiry Act, No. 17 of 1948, is hereby amended by the insertion, immediately after section 7 of that Act, of the following new section:—

Insertion of
new section 7A
in Act No. 17
of 1948.

" Conferment
of additional
powers on a
Commission.

7A. (1) All or any of the following powers may be conferred by the Governor-General on a Commission appointed under this Act if the Commission so requests:—

(a) to require by written notice the manager of any bank in Ceylon to produce, as specified in the notice, any book or document of the bank containing entries relating to the account of any person whose conduct is being inquired into by the Commission or of the spouse or a son or daughter of such person, or to furnish, as so specified, certified copies of such entries;

(b) to require by written notice the Commissioner of Income Tax to furnish, as specified in the notice, all information available to such Commissioner relating to the affairs of any person whose conduct is being inquired into by the Commission or of the spouse or a son or daughter of such person, and to produce or furnish, as

so specified, any document or a certified copy of any document relating to such person, spouse, son or daughter which is in the possession or under the control of such Commissioner.

(2) A Commission appointed under this Act may exercise any power conferred on the Commission under subsection (1) of this section, and any person to whom the Commission issues any direction in the exercise of such power shall carry out such direction notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any other law."