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WHEREAS on the 18th day of August, 1972 the National Redemption Council appointed a Committee of Inquiry to inquire into certain matters relating to the Yendi Skin:

And whereas the said Committee found that the purported nomination, selection and enskinment of Mahamadu Abudulai as Ya-Na was null and void:

And whereas the National Redemption Council deems it fit to give due effect to the said finding of the said Committee of Inquiry:

Now whereas, in pursuance of the National Redemption Council (Establishment) Proclamation, 1972 this Act is hereby made.

**1. Mahamadu Abudulai's enskinment, etc. declared null and void**

The purported nomination, selection and enskinment of Mahamadu Abudulai as Ya-Na and Paramount Chief of Dagbon is hereby declared to be null and void for all purposes, whether under customary law or otherwise.

**2. Mahamadu Abudulai not to purport to be chief**

(1) Mahamadu Abudulai shall not

- (a) purport to be Ya-Na or Paramount Chief of Dagbon whether under customary law or otherwise;
- (b) in any manner assert any claim to be Ya-Na or Paramount Chief of Dagbon;
- (c) do any act tending to incite disaffection against Ya-Na Yakubu II, Paramount Chief of Dagbon; or

(2) If Mahamadu Abudulai contravenes any provision of subsection (1) of this section Mahamadu Abudulai commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a term of imprisonment not exceeding ten years without the option of a fine.

### **3. No person to recognise Mahamadu Abudulai**

(1) A person shall not

- (a) recognise Mahamadu Abudulai as Ya-Na or Paramount Chief of Dagbon whether under customary law or otherwise;
- (b) in any manner support, encourage or canvass any claim of Mahamadu Abudulai to be Ya-Na or Paramount Chief of Dagbon;
- (c) do any act tending to incite disaffection against Ya-Na Yakubu II, Paramount Chief of Dagbon.

(2) Any person who contravenes any provision of subsection (1) commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one penalty unit or to imprisonment not exceeding ten years or to both.

### **4. Application**

The provision of this Act shall apply despite an enactment, a customary law or any other law to the contrary.

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