

# AN BILLE COSANTA (LEASÚ), 2020 DEFENCE (AMENDMENT) BILL 2020 LEASUITHE TUARASCÁLA REPORT AMENDMENTS

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## SEANAD ÉIREANN

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## DEFENCE (AMENDMENT) BILL 2020 —REPORT

Leasuithe Amendments

\*Government amendments are denoted by an asterisk

1. In page 3, line 23, after "force" to insert "which is part of an international organisation as defined under section 1 of the Act of 2006".

—Senators Alice-Mary Higgins, Frances Black.

2. In page 12, between lines 22 and 23, to insert the following:

#### "Amendment of section 1 of Act of 2006

17. Section 1 of the Act of 2006 is amended in paragraph (d) of the definition of "international organisation" by the insertion of "and is currently working" after "or has participated".".

—Senators Alice-Mary Higgins, Frances Black.

**3.** In page 12, after line 36, to insert the following:

## "Amendment of section 3 of Act of 2006

- **18.** Section 3 of the Act of 2006 is amended by the insertion of the following subsection after subsection (2):
  - "(3) Where a seconding under subsection (1)(a) is—
    - (a) for a contingent, rather than an individual member, of the Permanent Defence Force,
    - (b) for an international organisation not operating under a United Nations mandate, and
    - (c) or a purpose not listed under subsection (1)(b) to (h),

the Minister shall seek the agreement of the Dáil before any initial secondment of a period longer than 12 months or before the renewal of such a secondment."."

—Senators Alice-Mary Higgins, Frances Black.

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**4.** In page 12, after line 36, to insert the following:

### "Amendment of section 3 of Act of 2006

- **18.** Section 3 of the Act of 2006 is amended by the insertion of the following subsection after subsection (2):
  - "(3) A contingent or member of the Permanent Defence Force shall only be seconded to any regional arrangement or agency that participates, or has participated, in operations as part of an International United Nations Force, where that regional arrangement or agency is operating under a United Nations mandate or such a secondment is for the purposes set out in subsection (1)(b) to (h)."."

—Senators Alice-Mary Higgins, Frances Black.

**5.** In page 12, after line 36, to insert the following:

#### "Amendment of section 3 of Act of 2006

- **18.** Section 3 of the Act of 2006 is amended by the insertion of the following subsection after subsection (2):
  - "(3) A contingent of the Permanent Defence Force shall only be seconded to any regional arrangement or agency that participates, or has participated, in operations as part of an International United Nations Force, where that regional arrangement or agency is operating under a United Nations mandate or such a secondment is for the purposes set out in subsection (1)(b) to (h)."."

—Senators Alice-Mary Higgins, Frances Black.

**6.** In page 12, after line 36, to insert the following:

## "Report on operation of Act

- 18. The Minister, shall every 2 years after the passing of this Act, lay a report before both Houses of the Oireachtas outlining—
  - (a) a summary of international missions in which Ireland is participating,
  - (b) secondments of a contingent of the Permanent Defence Force under section 3(1) (a) of the Act of 2006,
  - (c) delegations of operational control under section 17A of the Principal Act, and
  - (d) where the Minister authorises participation in international missions, delegation of operational control or the secondment of a contingent of the Permanent Defence Force to an international organisation not operating under a United Nations mandate, and the report shall include—
    - (i) information on the relevant category of international organisation as defined in section 1 of the Act of 2006, and

(ii) information on the relevant purposes under section 3(1)(a) to (h) of the Act of 2006.".

—Senators Alice-Mary Higgins, Frances Black.