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No. 47 of 1982

A LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN NON-LICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS PROVIDING ACCOMMODATION

47 of 1982 79 of 1985 136 of 1988 106(I) of 1998* 194(I) of 2002*.

(8th October 1982)

(The House of Representatives enacts as follows):

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Registration of Non-Licensed Establishments Laws, 1982 to 2002.

Interpretation.

2. In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires-

40 of 1969 52 of 1970 17 of 1973 34 of 1974 28 of 1985 42(I) of 1993 80(I) of 1995 16(I) of 1999 68(I) of 1999 91(I) of 2000 170(I) of 2000. «non-licensed establishment» means a furnished apartment, small house, villa or other similar premises providing temporary accommodation for tourist purposes where these premises are not licensed under the provisions of the Hotels and Tourist Establishments Laws 1969 to 2000 or do not fulfil all the necessary requirements for the grant of a licence under the provisions of the same Laws;

54 of 1969 50 of 1977 48 of 1978 62 of 1979 66 of 1980 63 of 1981 16 of 1985 34(I) of 1995 3(I) of 1997 19(I) of 1999 35(I) of 2005. «Organization» means the Cyprus Tourism Organization established under the Cyprus Tourism Organization Law;

«register» means the register for the registration of non-licensed establishments to be prepared under the provisions of this Law.

Registration of non-licensed establishments.

- **3.** (1) Every non-licensed establishment shall be registered according to the following provisions of this Law.
 - (2) The following establishments shall be exempted from the provisions of this Law:
 - (a) individual rooms forming part of a private house;
 - (b) premises which are usually made available for use for non-tourist purposes by persons other than the owners thereof;
 - (c) premises belonging to foreigners.

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^{*}See Note at the end of the text

Application for registration.

4. The owner or the authorized agent of any existing non-licensed establishment or one under construction shall, within six months from the coming into operation of this Law, apply to the Organization for the registration of such establishment:

2 of 136/88.

Provided that, in case where the owner of a non-licenced existing establishment or one under construction on the 8th of October 1982 was proved to be out of Cyprus during the said six month period or, for any other justifiable reason satisfying completely the Organization, the said owner could not submit within the above said period the application for registration of such establishment provided for in this Law, he may effect it within one month from the date of the coming into force of the Registration of Non-Licensed Establishments (Amendment) Law, 1988 and in such a case the remaining provisions of this Law shall apply.

Form and fees of application for registration.

- **5.** (1) The application for registration of a non-licensed establishment shall be in such form as the Organization may require.
- (2) The application for registration of a non-licensed establishment shall be subject to the payment of a fee of ten pounds, payable upon the submission of the application.

Register.

6. The Organization shall keep a register in which there shall be entered the names of the owner or the authorized agent of every non-licensed establishment and such other particulars as the Organization may deem necessary.

Restrictive provisions.

40 of 1969.

Official Gazette, Supplement III(I): 20.9.1974 12.7.1985. 7. The registration of every non-licensed establishment shall not confer any rights under the existing Hotels and Tourist Establishments Laws, 1969 to 2000 and the Hotels and Tourist Establishments (Hotel Apartments, Service Flats and Tourist Villas) Regulations 1974 and 1985.

List of nonlicensed establishments. 2 of 79/85.

40 of 1969.

- **7A.** (1) The Organization shall, within 1986, make a list of non-licensed (in this section to be called «the list of furnished apartments, small houses and villas»), in which there may be registered, subject to the provisions of this Law, the non-licensed establishments which are entered in the register and which have not been classified under the provisions of the Hotels and Tourist Establishment Laws and Regulations.
- (2) The owner, or authorized agent of the owner of every non-licensed establishment which is registered in the list for 1986 to be issued which is referred to in sub-section (1) shall apply to the Organization for the entry of such non-licensed establishment in the list of the year immediately following.
- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-sections (1) and (2), the application for entry in the list shall be submitted within a period to be specified by the Organization by a notification published in the local press.
- (4) The application for entry of a non-licensed establishment in the list shall be in such form as the Organization may require.
- (5) A fee of thirty pounds shall be paid for every non-licensed establishment entered in the list of any year upon the submission of the application for the entry thereof.

- (6) The Organization may require any owner or authorized agent of the owner of every non-licensed establishment, which was entered in the list of the immediately preceding year, to submit thereto any particulars regarding the availability or use of the said establishment during such year, as the Organization may deem necessary.
- (7) For the purpose of securing a comfortable stay for the customers of such establishments, the Organization may, by its authorized organs, inspect and control the same at any reasonable time.

40 of 1969.

2 of 194 (I)/02*.

- (8) Notwithstanding the provisions of the Hotels and Tourist Establishments Law, entry in the list of a non-licensed establishment shall give to the owner of such establishment or the authorized agent of the owner, the right to make available or use such establishment, while it is still so entered, only for non-organized tourism and the offer or availability thereof through travel and tourist offices or tourist agents shall, in any case, be excluded.
- (9) The owner or the authorized agent of the owner of a non-licensed establishment entered in the list who made available or used the same in contravention of sub-section (8) is guilty of an offence and, in case of conviction thereof, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding three hundred pounds and the Court may, in addition to the fine, order that the non-licensed establishment in respect of which the offence has been committed be struck off the list.

2 of 106(I)/98*.

(10) The right of entry in the list of tourist apartments, which was acquired on the basis of the provisions of the principal law, of the Hotels and Tourist Establishments Laws and the Regulations made thereunder and which was lost because of non renewal for a year of the operation licence of the apartment and the non due payment of the fees provided for this purpose, shall be regained, provided -

Official Gazette, Supplement I(I): 5.2.99

- (a) The owner of the business shall submit to the Organization within three months from the publication of this Law in the Official Gazette of the Republic, an application for the securing of an operation licence.
- (b) The apartment was in operation on the coming into force of the principal law.
- (c) The apartment shall continue to fulfil the criteria and requirements, which applied for the original classification.
- (d) The owner of the business shall submit to the Organization all rights due together with the percentage 15% on the due amount as a fine.

Offences and penalties.

8. Any person who, having an obligation to comply with the provisions of this Law, wilfully refuses or fails to comply therewith or contravenes any of these provisions shall be guilty of an offence and in case of conviction shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds.

Extent of application of this Law.

9. The provisions of this Law shall apply only to non-licensed establishments which, immediately before the coming into operation of this Law, were in operation and those which were under construction.

^{*} See Note at the end of the text

Note

- 1) By section 3 thereof, the Registration of Non-Licensed Establishments (Amendment) Law, 1998 (L. 106(I)/98) came into force on 1st January, 1996.
- 2) By section 3 thereof, the Registration of Non-Licensed Establishments (Amendment) Law, 2002 (L.194(I)/2002) came into force on the date of accession of the Republic to the European Union.