AN ACT TO AMEND THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ACT, NO. 32 OF 1968.

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Registration of Persons (Amendment) Act, No. 11 of 1981.

2. Section 2 of the Registration of Persons Act, No. 32 of 1968 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment") is hereby amended, by the substitution, for subsection (1) thereof, of the following subsection:

"(1) Every person who is in, or enters, Sri Lanka on or after the appointed date, and has attained, or attains, the age of sixteen years, not being a person
(a) who is not liable to registration by virtue of the operation of the provisions of subsection (2); or
(b) who has entered, or enters, Sri Lanka before or on or after that date in contravention of the provisions of section 10 of the Immigrants and Emigrants Act; or;
(c) who remains in Sri Lanka on or after that date in contravention of the provisions of section 15 of that Act; or
(d) who is liable to removal to India from Sri Lanka under section 15 of the Indo-Ceylon Agreement (Implementation) Act, No. 14 of 1967, shall be a person liable to registration."

3. Certain persons deemed to be not guilty of an offence under section 44 of the principal enactment.

(1) Any person who, on the day prior to the date of commencement of this Act, had attained the age of sixteen years but had not attained the age of eighteen years and was therefore not a person liable to registration under subsection (1) of section 2 of the principal enactment, and on such date becomes so liable by virtue of the provisions of that section as amended by this Act, shall be deemed not to be guilty of an offence under section 44 of the principal enactment, provided that such person makes an application within the prescribed period for such registration under and in accordance with the provisions of that enactment.

(2) In this section, "prescribed period" means the period within which any person referred to in subsection (1) is
required by virtue of any regulation made under section 52, read with subsection (4) of section 7, of the principal enactment, to apply for registration under and in accordance with the provisions of that enactment.