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FIREARMS ACT (CHAPTER 69)

Firearms Prohibition (Eastern Nigeria) Order, 1963

Commencement : 5th April, 1963

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 36 of the Firearms Act the Prime Minister of the Federation hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Firearms Prohibition (Eastern Nigeria) Order, 1963 and shall have effect in Eastern Nigeria.

2. The possession of or dealing in any firearms or ammunition in the Akpo and Achina Local Councils areas in Awka Division of Onitsha Province in Eastern Nigeria, is hereby absolutely prohibited for a period of six months from the date of publication of this Order in the Federation of Nigeria Official Gazette.

3. All firearms and ammunition in possession of any person within the areas specified in section 2 of this Order shall be surrendered to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Onitsha, within seventy-two hours from the date of publication of this Order.

4. Any person neglecting to make such surrender or being in possession of or dealing in any firearms or ammunition during the period that this Order is in force, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a penalty of five hundred pounds or imprisonment for two years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Made this 5th day of April, 1963.

ABUBAKAR TAFAWA BALEWA,
Prime Minister of the Federation