

PETROLEUM PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION (ANTI-SABOTAGE) ACT

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PETROLEUM PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION (ANTI-SABOTAGE) ACT

An Act to create offence of sabotage in respect of production and distribution of petroleum products.

[7th November, 1975]

[Commencement.]

1. Offence of sabotage

(1) Any person who does any of the following things, that is to say-

(a) wilfully does anything with intent to obstruct or prevent the production or distribution of petroleum products in any part of Nigeria; or

(b) wilfully does anything with intent to obstruct or prevent the procurement of petroleum products for distribution in any part of Nigeria; or

(c) wilfully does anything in respect of any vehicle or any public highway with intent to obstruct or prevent the use of that vehicle or that public highway for the distribution of petroleum products,

shall, if by doing that thing he, to any significant extent, causes or contributes to any interruption in the production or distribution of petroleum products in any part of Nigeria, be guilty of the offence of sabotage under this Act.

(2) Any person who-

- (a) aids another person; or
- (b) incites, counsels or procures any other person, to do any of the things specified in subsection (1) of this section shall, whether or not that other person actually does the thing in question, be guilty of the offence of sabotage under this Act.

2. Penalty for offence of sabotage

Any person who commits an offence of sabotage under section 1 of this Act, shall be liable on conviction to be sentenced either to death or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 21 years.

3. Jurisdiction

The Federal High Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction to try any offence committed under this Act.

4. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires-

"petroleum products" includes motor spirits, gas oil, diesel oil, automotive gas oil, fuel oil, aviation fuel, kerosene, liquefied petroleum gases and any lubricating oil or greases or other lubricant;

"public highway" means any road to which members of the public have access;

"vehicle" means anything constructed or adapted for use in the transportation of petroleum products by land, sea or air.

5. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Petroleum Production and Distribution (Anti-Sabotage) Act.

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

No Subsidiary Legislation