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CHAPTER 21
ARMED FORCES COMFORT FUND ACT

An Act to establish the Armed Forces Comfort Fund primarily for the provision of comfort and relief to the members of the Armed Forces.

1971 No. 57

[29th December, 1971]

Commencement

1. There shall be established a fund to be known as the Armed Forces Comfort Fund (in this Act hereafter referred to as "the fund") into which shall be paid all moneys received in terms of the Trust Deed made between the Federal Government of Nigeria and the Trustees of the fund, that is to say-

Establishment of the Armed Forces Comfort Fund

- (a) the moneys and contributions paid or credited to the Armed Forces Comfort Fund hereby established; and
- (b) any further sums from time to time payable under the said Trust Deed; and moneys in the fund together with interest (if any) payable in respect thereof shall be applied by the Trustees of the fund for any of the purposes set out in section 2 of this Act.

2. The fund shall be available and applied for the following

Purpose of the Fund

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purposes, that is-

- (a) for the relief of the members of the Armed Forces and their families in distress as a result of the exigencies of the civil war where this cannot be met from other official sources and is certified by the Chief of Staff (Nigerian Army), the Chief of Naval Staff or the Chief of Air Staff, whichever is appropriate, as constituting a fair charge against the fund;
- (b) for extra medical care of the Armed Forces and their families where Government facilities are either inadequate or not immediately available;
- (c) for the restitution of messing facilities for the extra medical care for members of the Armed Forces and their families where Government facilities are either inadequate or not immediately available.
- (d) for making donations as appropriate to other funds or organisations which in the opinion of the Trustees are closely connected with and actively assisting in the war effort of the Armed Forces;
- (e) and for the doing of such acts and the things as may seem to the Trustees expedient and necessary for the trusts declared in the Trust Deed.

Disbursement
from the Fund.
Cap. 144

3. Disbursements from the fund shall be made in accordance with the rules made under section 23 of the Finance (Control and Management) Act.

Amendment
of the first
Schedule to
Cap. 144.

4 Part II of the First Schedule to the Finance (Control and Management) Act is hereby amended by the addition at the end thereof of the following-

“(8) Armed Forces Comfort Fund:

The fund established by section 1 of the Armed Forces Comfort Fund Act for the purposes specified in section 2 of that Act.”

Short title.

5 This Act may be cited as the Armed Forces Comfort Fund Act.