INTESTATE WARDS (DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATES) ORDINANCE 1963.

No. 72 of 1963.

An Ordinance to amend the Intestate Wards (Distribution of Estates) Ordinance 1961.

[Reserved 9th September, 1963.] [Assented to 10th October, 1963.]*

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1962, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

- 1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Intestate Wards* (Distribution of Estates) Ordinance 1963.
- (2.) The Intestate Wards (Distribution of Estates) Ordinance 1961 is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.
- (3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Intestate Wards* (*Distribution of Estates*) Ordinance 1961-1963.
- 2. After section twenty-two of the Principal Ordinance the following section is added:—

Succession duties.

- "23.—(1.) For the purpose of assessing succession duties on property distributed under this Ordinance, a marriage according to the custom of aboriginal natives of Australia between a ward or aboriginal and a ward or aboriginal or person of aboriginal descent shall be deemed to be or to have been a marriage that is or was valid according to the laws of the Territory.
- "(2.) A certificate signed by the Director of Welfare stating that a person named in the certificate is or was of aboriginal descent is for the purposes of the last preceding sub-section evidence that the person so named is or was of aboriginal descent.".

Assent notified in the Government Gazette of the Northern T rritory on 30th October, 1963 (see Gazette No. 44, 1963, p. 209).