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For defining the Administrative Divisions of the ISLAND OF CYPRUS.

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Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Administrative Divisions Law.

The Colony to be by the Governor with powers of Vali and Mutassarif.

2. The whole Colony shall form one government to be administered administered by the Governor, who shall, in addition to his other powers, exercise all the authority and functions heretofore exercised in Cyprus by the Vali of the Vilayet of Rhodes, as well as all the authority and functions heretofore exercised by the Mutassarif of the Sanjak of Cyprus, and the title, functions, and authority of the Mutassarif shall cease to exist.

Power to Governor to define limits of administrative divisions.

3. The Governor shall from time to time by Proclamation limit and define any one or more of the several Qazas or Districts of the Colony, as also any one or more of the Nahiehs of any District, or proclaim any District or any part of a District as part of or within any other District, or any Nahieh or part of a Nahieh as part of or within any other Nahieh; and every such Proclamation shall, during its continuance, have all the force and effect of law.

Commissioners to supersede Qaimaqams.

4. The functions, powers and jurisdiction of every kind heretofore vested in and exercised by the Qaimaqam of each District shall be exclusively vested in and exercised by the Commissioner duly appointed to that District by authority of the Governor:

Provided that it shall be lawful for the Commissioner of any District to delegate to the Assistant Commissioner, duly appointed by the Governor, all such executive functions, powers, and jurisdiction as he may deem expedient so to delegate, and all acts done by the Assistant Commissioner in pursuance of such delegation shall be as valid as if done by the Commissioner himself.

5. The functions and authority of mudirs of Sub-Districts Mudirs and and of mukhtars of villages, subject to any regulations which may have been or shall hereafter be made by the Governor, shall be maintained as at present fixed by law.