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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 1 of 1987

[L.S.]

AN ACT to provide for the extension of the period  
during which the election of the next President  
shall be held.

*[Assented to 21st January, 1987]*

WHEREAS it is provided by section 33(1) of the <sup>Preamble</sup> Constitution that the President elected at an election under section 26(4) of the Constitution shall hold office for a term of five years:

And whereas it is provided by section 26(4) of the Constitution that an election for President shall be held not more than sixty days nor less than thirty days before the expiration of the term of that office:

And whereas His Excellency Ellis Emmanuel Innocent Clarke, T.C. assumed the office of President on 29th January, 1982 and his term of office is due to expire on 28th January, 1987:

And whereas it is provided by section 33(3) of the Constitution that where for any reason at the date when the term of office of President is due to expire under section 33(1) there is no person entitled by election under section 26(4) to fill the office of President upon its expiration, the current term of that office shall continue until thirty days after a person is elected to the office of President whereupon the current term of that office shall expire:

And whereas it is provided by section 26(7) of the Constitution that where the time for holding an election for President under subsection (4) has not been complied with, Parliament may make provision for the extension of the period during which elections may be held:

Enactment

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows—

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Constitution (Election of President) Act, 1987.

Extension of period for holding of election for President

2. The election for the next President shall be held not earlier than 16th February, 1987 and not later than 27th February, 1987.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 16th day of January, 1987.

J. E. CARTER  
*Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 20th day of January, 1987.

R. L. GRIFFITH  
*Clerk of the Senate*