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## AN ACT TO AMEND THE NATIONALITY ACT

I assent, PRINCESS SALOTE PILOLEVU TUITA, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2010.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the King and Legislative Assembly of Tonga in the Legislature of the Kingdom as follows:

- 1 (1) This Act may be cited as the Nationality (Amendment) Act 2010.
  - (2) The Nationality Act (CAP 59) shall be referred to in this Act, as the Principal Act.
- 2 Section 12 of the Principal Act is amended by:
  - (1) re-numbering the old sub-section (2) as sub-section (4).
  - (2) inserting new sub-sections (2) and (3) as follows:
    - "(2) In addition to any sentence imposed by a court, His Majesty, with the consent of Privy Council, may revoke a person's certificate of naturalization if the person is convicted of any of the following offences:
      - (a) terrorism;
      - (b) treason;
      - (c) sedition;
      - (d) any offence which involves dishonesty or fraud;

- (e) defamation of the King or Queen; or
- (f) any other offence which carries a sentence of 2 or more years imprisonment.
- (3) His Majesty, with the consent of Privy Council, may revoke a certificate of naturalization if, on reasonable grounds, a person constitutes a threat to the security of the Kingdom."

Passed in the Legislative Assembly this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2010.