

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC

PART I PARLIAMENT

*Parliament
Act No. 15
of 1984
s.12*

62:-(1) There shall be a Parliament of the United Republic which shall consist of two parts, that is to say, the President and the National Assembly.

(2) The President shall be the Head of State, the Head of Government and the Commander- in Chief of the Armed Forces.

(3) Whenever any matter requires to be decided or done by both parts of Parliament in accordance with provisions of this Constitution, or of any other law, then that matter shall not be deemed to have been duly decided or done unless it is decided or done by the Members of Parliament and also by the President in accordance with their respective authority in relation to that matter.

*Authority of
Parliament Act
No. 15 of 1984
s.12*

63.- (1) The President as one part of Parliament shall exercise all the authority vested in him by this Constitution for that purpose.

*Act No. 4 of 1992
s.17*

(2) The second part of Parliament shall be the principal organ of the United Republic which shall have the authority on behalf of the people to oversee and advise the Government of the United Republic and all its organs in the discharge of their respective responsibilities in accordance with this Constitution.

*Act No. 20 of
1992 s.11*

(3) For the purposes of discharging its functions the National Assembly may :-

- (a) put any question to any Minister concerning public affairs in the United Republic which are within his responsibility;
- (b) debate the performance of each Ministry during the annual budget session of the National Assembly;
- (c) deliberate upon and authorize any long or short term plan which is intended to be implemented in the United Republic and enact a law to regulate the implementation of that plan;
- (d) enact legislation where implementation requires legislation;
- (e) deliberate upon and ratify all treaties and agreements to which the United Republic is party and the provisions of which require ratification.