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ANACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

ACT, NO. 15 OF 1979

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist

Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Code of Criminal Short title.

Procedure (Amendment) Act, No. 18 of 2016.

2. Section 431 of the Code of Criminal Procedure Act, Amendment of

section 431 of

No. 15 of 1979 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal Act, No. 15 of

enactment”) is hereby amended as follows:— 1979.

(a) in subsection (2) of that section, by the substitution

for the words “within six months” of the words

“within two months”; and

(b) in subsection (3) of that section, by the substitution

for the words “two thousand five hundred rupees or

more.” of the words “one hundred thousand rupees

or more.”.

3. Section 432 of the principal enactment is hereby Amendment of

section 432 of

amended by the repeal of the marginal note to that section the principal

and the substitution therefor of the following:— enactment.

“Procedure where no claimant appears within two

months.”.

2—PL 010026—2,961 (06/2016)

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Insertion of new 4. The following new section is hereby inserted

section 432A in

immediately after section 432 of the principal enactment

the principal

enactment. and shall have effect as section 432A of that enactment:—

“Procedure 432A. (1) Where the person entitled to the

where possession of such property establishes his

claimant

claim within two months, the Magistrate shall

appears

within two order the property to be delivered to him on

months. such conditions, as the Magistrate may think

fit:

Provided however, where the person

entitled to the possession of such property does

not consent to take the possession of the same,

such property may be sold under the order of

the Magistrate.

(2) The proceeds of such sale shall be

deposited in a deposit account opened and

operated in that behalf, in a Government owned

bank, until the judgement of the case is

pronounced.

(3) The person entitiled to the possession of

the property referred to in subsection (1), shall

make an application, in the prescribed form

and manner to obtain the value of such property

and the payment shall be made subject to the

recorded verdict of the case.

(4) Regulations shall be made prescribing

the manner of administration and management

of the deposit account referrred to in subsection

(2).”.

Sinhala text to 5. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala

prevail in case and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

of inconsistency.

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