**Australian National University**

**No. 1 of 1971**

An Act relating to the Australian National University.

[*Assented to 2 March 1971*]

BE it enacted by the Queen’s Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

**Short title and citation.**

**1.**—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Australian National University Act* 1971.

(2.) The *Australian National University Act* 1946–1967 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Australian National University Act* 1946-1971.

**Commencement.**

**2.** This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

**Constitution of Council.**

**3**. Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraphs (*i*) to (*l*), inclusive, of sub-section (1.) and inserting in their stead the following paragraphs:—

“(*i*) two members of the academic staff of the Institute, not being professors, elected by the members of that staff other than the professors;

(*j*)two members of the academic staff of the School, not being professors, elected by the members of that staff other than the professors;

(*ja*)the President of the body known as ‘The Australian National University Students’ Association’;

(*k*)a student of the University elected from among their number by the students of the University enrolled for study for degrees other than degrees of Bachelor or for courses of research;

(*l*) a student of the University elected by the students of the University enrolled for study for degrees of Bachelor and by such other students of the University (not being students referred to in the last preceding paragraph), if any, as the Statutes provide;”.

**Disqualifications.**

**4**. Section 13 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (*a*)and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—

“(*a*)has not attained the age of eighteen years;”.

**Vacation of office.**

**5**. Section 14 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting before paragraph (*a*) of sub-section (1.) the following paragraph:—

“(*aa*)becomes disqualified under paragraph (*b*)*,* (*c*) or (*d*)of the last preceding section from continuing to be a member of the Council;”.

**Constitution of Convocation.**

**6**. Section 16 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraphs (*b*)and (*c*) of sub-section (1.) and inserting in their stead the following paragraph:—

“(*b*)all graduates of the University; and”.

**Certain officers to be appointed or elected.**

**7**. Section 18a of the Principal Act is amended—

(*a*) by omitting from paragraph (*a*) the word “and”; and

(*b*)by adding at the end thereof the following word and paragraph:—

“;and (*c*) the Secretary of the University.”.

**Standing Committee of Council.**

**8.** Section 24 of the Principal Act is amended—

(*a*)by omitting from sub-section (1.) all the words after the word “Council” (first occurring) and inserting in their stead the words “, which shall consist of the Pro-Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and not more than ten other members appointed by the Council.”;

(*b*)by omitting from sub-section (2.) the words “Vice-Chancellor” and inserting in their stead the words “Pro-Chancellor”; and

(*c*) by omitting from sub-section (4.) the word “Five” and inserting in its stead the word “Seven”.

**Transitional provisions.**

**9**. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary provided by or under the Statutes of the Australian National University, but subject to the Principal Act as amended by this Act, the period of office, as a member of the Council of the Australian National University, of—

(*a*)the person who is first elected under paragraph (*i*)of sub-section (1.) of section 11 of the Principal Act as amended by this Act; and

(*b*)the person who is first elected under paragraph (*j*)of that sub-section,

ends on the twenty-ninth day of September, One thousand nine hundred and seventy-two, but nothing in this section prevents either person from being re-elected.