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No. 16 of 1951.

## An Ordinance to amend the Evidence Ordinance 1934 of the Territory of New Guinea.

BE it ordained by the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Papua and New Guinea Act 1949-1950, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

- 1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Evidence (New Guinea) Ordinance* 1951.<sup>(1)</sup>
- (2.) The Evidence Ordinance 1934<sup>(2)</sup> of the Territory of New Guinea is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.
- (3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Evidence Ordinance* 1934-1951.

Commencement,

2. This Ordinance shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the Gazette. (1)

Confessions induced by threats.

- 3. Section fifteen of the Principal Ordinance is repealed, and the following section inserted in its stead:—
- "15. No confession which is tendered in evidence on any criminal proceeding shall be received if it has been induced by any threat or promise by some person in authority, and every confession made after any such threat or promise shall be deemed to have been induced thereby, unless the contrary is shown."

(1) Particulars of this Ordinance are as follows:—		
Date on which made by Gov Gen. in Council.	Date on which notified in Cwlth. Gaz.	Date on which took effect.
21.6.1951	29.6.1951	18.9.1951 (Papua and N.G. Govt. Gaz. of 18.9.1951)

<sup>(2)</sup> Printed in The Laws of the Territory of New Guinea 1921-1945 (Annotated), Vol. II. on pp. 2089-2094.