

# Petroleum (Ashmore and Cartier Islands)

No. 124 of 1967

An Act relating to the Exploration for, and the Exploitation of, the Petroleum Resources of the Territory of Ashmore and Cartier Islands.

[Assented to 22 November 1967]

**B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the *Petroleum (Ashmore and Cartier Islands) Act 1967*. Short title.

2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Proclamation. Commencement.

3.—(1.) The *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967*, and any Act with which that Act is incorporated, have effect in relation to the Territory of Ashmore and Cartier Islands as though the adjacent area in relation to that Territory included the area, whether land or water, within the territorial limits of that Territory and as though the land within those limits were beneath the sea and were portion of the sea-bed and subsoil of that adjacent area. Application of Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act.

(2.) The reference in section 88 of the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967* to “the Supreme Court” shall, in relation to an application for the rectification of the Register kept by the Designated Authority who is the Designated Authority in respect of the area specified in the Second Schedule to that Act as being adjacent to the Territory of Ashmore and Cartier Islands, be read as a reference to the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory of Australia.