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An Act to regulate the control of churches and schools built on Swazi Areas.

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Control of Churches and Schools on Swazi Areas Act, 1920.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

"missionary society" includes any recognised religious body.

3. Control of buildings

If any missionary society, or any persons belonging or adhering to a missionary society, have erected or caused to be erected, or shall hereafter erect or cause to be erected, on a Swazi area any building for the purpose of its being used by such society as a church or school for the benefit of the Swazi nation, such building shall be deemed to be under the sole control of such society, which shall have the right to keep open such means of access thereto for its officers, members and adherents as may be reasonably necessary for the purposes thereof:

Provided that the permission prescribed by section 3 of the Safeguarding of Swazi Areas Act, [No. 39 of 1910](#), has been obtained by the society or by any non-Swazi officer or member thereof, and remains in force in respect of such building; and

Provided further that any such building is in fact solely or mainly used by the society for the purposes of a church or school for the benefit of the Swazi nation.

4. Trespassers

Any person coming or being found upon any premises to which [section 3](#) applies without the consent of such society shall be deemed to be a trespasser on such premises, and any remedy which would by law be competent to such society if it were the owner of the land in question shall be available to it against any such person.