



# Solomon Islands Act 1978

## 1978 CHAPTER 15

### *Nationality law*

#### **3 “Connection with Solomon Islands”.**

- (1) A person has a connection with the Solomon Islands protectorate if he or his father—
  - (a) was born in Solomon Islands; or
  - (b) became a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies by virtue of a certificate of naturalisation granted, or registration effected, at a time when he was resident in Solomon Islands.
- (2) Apart from subsection (1), a woman has a connection with the protectorate if she acquired the status of citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies (automatically or by registration) on the grounds of marriage to a man who has that connection by virtue of subsection (1), or would have done so had he lived.
- (3) But a person does not have a connection with the protectorate if he, his father or his father’s father—
  - (a) was born in the United Kingdom or in a relevant territory; or
  - (b) is or was a person naturalised in the United Kingdom and Colonies by virtue of a certificate of naturalisation granted in the United Kingdom or a relevant territory; or
  - (c) was, in the United Kingdom or a relevant territory, registered as a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies, or was so registered by a High Commissioner exercising functions under section 8(2) or 12(7) of the 1948 Act; or
  - (d) became a British subject by reason of the annexation of any territory included in a relevant territory.
- (4) Nor does a person have that connection if his father or his father’s father would, if living immediately before the commencement of the 1948 Act, have become a person naturalised in the United Kingdom and Colonies under section 32(6) of that Act (previous local naturalisation in a colony or protectorate) by virtue of having enjoyed the privileges of naturalisation in a relevant territory.

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- (5) Subsection (3)(c) above does not apply to a woman by virtue of her registration as a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies if that registration was effected under section 6(2) of the 1948 Act (registration as citizens of United Kingdom and Colonies of women who have been married to such citizens).
- (6) In this section “relevant territory” means any territory which on Independence Day is a colony or an associated state, other than any territory which on that day is not a colony for the purposes of the 1948 Act as then in force (and accordingly does not include Solomon Islands).

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