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I Assent,

Yvonne Maginley,  
*Governor-General's Deputy.*

29th August, 2003.

**ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA**

**No. 9 of 2003**

**AN ACT** to amend the Immigration and Passport Act Cap. 208.

[ *1st September, 2003* ]

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows —

1. This Act may be cited as the Immigration and Passport (Amendment) Act, 2003. Short title.

2. The Immigration and Passport Act is amended by the insertion after section 20 of **the following**:— Insertion of section 20A.

"Authority of Chief Immigration Officer to regularise residential status and validation of certain permits.

**20A.** (1) The Chief Immigration Officer may, in accordance with regulation made under this Act and after obtaining the written approval of the Minister, grant to any person resident in Antigua and Barbuda in contravention of this Act, a permit to remain in Antigua and Barbuda.

(2) Any person who —

- (a) in contravention of this Act was at **anytime** before the commencement of this section resident in Antigua and Barbuda;
- (b) is on the commencement of this section resident in Antigua and Barbuda; and
- (c) has been granted amnesty or a permit by the chief Immigration Officer to remain in Antigua and Barbuda before the commencement of this section,

shall, for the purposes of this Act and any other law be deemed to have been lawfully resident in Antigua and Barbuda throughout the period of his residence.

Passed the House of Representatives  
this 26th day of August, 2003.

Passed the Senate this 29th day  
of August, 2003.

**B. Harris,**  
*Speaker.*

**M. Percival,**  
*President.*

**V. Nicholas,**  
*Deputy Clerk to the House of  
Representatives.*

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*Deputy Clerk to the Senate.*