

**HONG KONG**

No. 71 OF 1967.

I assent.

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D. C. C. TRENCH,  
Governor.

30th November, 1967.

An Ordinance to amend the Offences against the Person Ordinance.  
[1st December, 1967.]

Enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof.

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Offences against the Person (Amendment) Ordinance 1967.

Addition of  
new sections  
33A and 33B.  
(Cap. 212.)

2. The principal Ordinance is amended by adding after section 33 the following new heading and sections—

## “SUICIDE.

Suicide to  
cease to be  
a crime.  
9 & 10 Eliz. 2,  
c. 60 s. 1.

33A. The rule of law whereby it is a crime for a person to commit suicide is hereby abrogated.

Criminal  
liability for  
complicity  
in another's  
suicide.  
9 & 10 Eliz. 2,  
c. 60 s. 2.

33B. (1) A person who aids, abets, counsels or procures the suicide of another, or an attempt by another to commit suicide, shall be guilty of felony and shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment for fourteen years.

(2) If on the trial of an indictment for murder or manslaughter it is proved that the accused aided, abetted, counselled or procured the suicide of the person in question, the jury may find him guilty of the offence so proved.

(3) No proceedings shall be instituted for an offence under this section except with the consent of the Attorney General.”

*This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which passed the Legislative Council on the 29th day of November, 1967, and is found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.*D. BARTON,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

(Secretariat GR 10/3231/66)