

Article 16

- (1) No person shall be deprived of his life intentionally except in execution of the sentence of a court in respect of a criminal offence under the laws of Sierra Leone, of which he has been convicted.
- (2) Without prejudice to any liability for a contravention of any other law with respect to the use of force in such cases as are hereinafter mentioned, a person shall not be regarded as having been deprived of his life in contravention of this section if he dies as a result of the use of force to such extent as is reasonably justifiable in the circumstances of the case, that is to say—
 - a. For the defence of any person from unlawful violence or for the defence of property; or
 - b. In order to effect a lawful arrest or to prevent the escape of a person lawfully detained; or
 - c. For the purpose of suppressing a riot, insurrection or mutiny; or
 - d. In order to prevent the commission by that person of a criminal offence; or
 - e. If he dies as a result of a lawful act of war.