

*Article 5*

- (1) Every human being has an inherent right to life. No one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his life.
- (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 the result of the use of force to such extent as is necessary in the circumstances of the case –
  - a. For the defence of any person from violence or for the defence of property;
  - b. In order to effect a lawful arrest or to prevent the escape of a person lawfully detained;
  - 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 if he dies as a result of a lawful act of war or in execution of the sentence of death imposed by a court in respect of a criminal offence under the law of Lesotho of which he has been convicted.