Amendment of the long title of the principal Law. 2. The long title of the principal Law is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING THE SUM OF TWO MILLIONS SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING" (lines 2, 3 and 4) of the words "AS NEARLY AS MAY BE THE SUM OF THREE MILLIONS FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING".

Amendment of section 2 of the principal Law.

- 3. Section 2 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows:—
 - (a) by the substitution for the words "a sum not exceeding two millions seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds sterling" (lines 3 and 4) of the words "as nearly as may be the sum of three millions five hundred thousand pounds sterling";

(b) by the substitution for the words and figures "an amount not exceeding £2,750,000" appearing in the marginal note thereto of the words and figures "as nearly as may be the sum of £3,500,000".

8th March, 1955.

J. Fletcher-Cooke, Colonial Secretary.

No. 7 of 1955.

A Law to make provision for raising a loan to produce as nearly as may be the sum of Two Million Pounds Sterling for the purpose of acquiring, operating and developing the Inland Telecommunication Services in Cyprus.

R. P. Armitage,]

Governor.

[8th March, 1955.

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Cyprus as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Loan (Inland Telecommunications Services) Law, 1955.

2. The Governor or the Crown Agents acting on his behalf Authority to may raise by loan in London an amount sufficient to produce to produce as as nearly as may be the sum of two million pounds sterling nearly as may and such further sum as may be necessary to defray the £2,000,000. expenses of issue.

3. The principal moneys and interest represented by the Loan to be loan issued under the provisions of this Law are hereby charged upon and shall be payable out of the general revenues revenue. and assets of the Colony.

4.—(1) Any sum raised to defray the expenses of issue

shall be applied only to that purpose.

(2) Save as aforesaid the money borrowed under this Law shall be appropriated and applied to the purposes specified in the Schedule.

Application

Schedule.

5. The loan hereby authorized or any part of it may be Method of raised under the provisions of the General Loan and Stock Law, 1951, or, notwithstanding anything to the contrary 16 of 1951. contained in the said Law, independently of that Law as the Governor or the Crown Agents acting on his behalf may decide.

6. If it should be decided to issue the loan hereby authorized Provisions independently of the General Loan and Stock Law, 1951,

then the following provisions shall apply:

(a) so long as any portion of the loan remains outstanding the Governor shall, in each half-year ending with the day on which the interest on the loan falls due, appropriate out of the general revenues and assets of the Colony a sum equal to one half-year's interest on the whole of the loan outstanding and shall remit that sum to the Crown Agents at such time as will enable them to pay thereout the then current half-year's interest on the day on which it falls due;

applicable if loan issued otherwise than under the General Loan and Stock Law. 16 of 1951.

(b) the Governor shall also, in each half-year ending as aforesaid, appropriate out of the said revenues and assets of the Colony for the formation of a sinking fund for the repayment of the loan at par an additional sum in respect of the total nominal amount of the loan outstanding equal to one-half of the annual contribution to be decided upon by the Governor on the issue of the loan and shall remit that sum to the Crown Agents with the remittance hereinbefore mentioned;

(c) the aforesaid annual contribution shall be not less than such amount as may be determined with the approval of the Secretary of State to be sufficient to redeem

the loan at its due date;

(d) the Crown Agents shall place at interest or invest so much of the money so remitted to them as aforesaid as shall not be required for the payment of interest for the current half-year in the purchase of such securities as may be approved by the Secretary of State as a sinking fund for the final extinction of the debt and the Crown Agents shall also place at interest or invest the dividends interest or produce of such investments in the purchase of like securities and may from time to time with the approval of the Secretary of State change any such investments and shall hold such funds in trust for the repayment of the principal moneys for the time being represented by the loan;

(e) in case the sinking fund provided for by this Law shall be insufficient for the payment of all the principal moneys borrowed under the authority of this Law at the time the same shall have become due the Governor shall make good the deficiencies out of the general revenues and assets of the Colony.

Power to Governor to raise instalments in certain cases. Cap. 72. 7. Pending the issue of the whole or any portion of the loan under the provisions of this Law, the Governor may raise instalments of the money as required by the issue of Cyprus Government Treasury Bills under the Cyprus Treasury Bills Law.

Schedule. (Section 4.)

For the purposes of-

(a) acquiring, operating and developing the Inland Telecommunications.
 Services in Cyprus;

(b) payment of stamp duty on transfer of stock issued under this or any other Law.

8th March, 1955.

J. FLETCHER-COOKE, Colonial Secretary.