

ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL CONTROL OVER THE AZAD KASHMIR FORCES

Azad Kashmir Government Order No. 395/57 dated 16-10-1957.

WHEREAS Cease Fire Agreement of 1st January, 1949, affecting cessation of hostilities between the Forces of Government of Azad Kashmir and the Government of Pakistan on the one side and the Government of India and the Forces raised in the territories occupied by the Government of India on the other, was concluded between the Government of Pakistan and India ;

2. AND whereas the Government of Pakistan in consequence thereof has been made responsible to the United Nations for the implementation of the said Agreement ;

3. NOW, therefore, it is hereby ordered that full administrative and operational control over the Azad Kashmir Forces shall be vested in the Commander-in-Chief, Pakistan Army, for the duration of the Emergency.

4. It is further ordered that the Commander-in-Chief- Pakistan Army, shall exercise all administrative powers (of Control and discipline) over the Azad Kashmir Forces on behalf of the Azad Kashmir Government, and that all orders issued by the Commander-in-Chief, Pakistan Army to the Azad Kashmir Forces shall be deemed to be the orders of the Azad Kashmir Government. The Indian Army Act or any Enactment which replaces that Act in Pakistan will be applicable to the Azad Kashmir Forces during the present Emergency.

5. PROVIDED that the President of the Azad Kashmir Government shall be consulted in the following cases :-

(a) The Commissioning, Cashiering or Dismissal of a Commissioned Officers ;

(b) Confirmation of sentences of death in the case of Commissioned Officers ;

6. The members of Azad Kashmir Forces shall have the same rights and privileges as regards submission of petitions to the Commander-in-Chief as is the case in respect of Pakistan Army.

7. THIS order shall come into force at once and shall be deemed to: have taken effect on 1st day of January, 1949.