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ROYAL LEGISLATIVE DECREE September 5 1938 XVI, No. 1390

Measures for the Defense of the Race in the Fascist School.

VICTOR EMMANUEL III

BY THE GRACE OF GOD AND BY THE WILL OF THE NATION

KING OF ITALY

EMPEROR OF ETHIOPIA

Given Art. 3, No. 2, of the law of January 31 1926-IV, No. 100;

Deeming absolutely and urgently necessary to dictate regulations for the defense of
the race in Italian schools;

Heard the opinion of the Council of Ministers;

Upon the proposal advanced by our Minister, Secretary of State for National
Education, in agreement with the Minister of Finances;

We have declared and we declare:

Art. 1.

In public or state-equivalent schools of any kind and level, as well as in non-
governmental schools, where the studies' curriculum is legally recognized,
admittance to the task of teacher will be forbidden to individuals of the Jewish race,
even if they have been included in graduated lists prior to the present decree;
forbidden will be also the right to gain admission to the rank of university assistant,
or to apply for qualification to a Teaching Fellowship.

Art. 2.

Students of the Jewish race cannot be enrolled in any school with legally recognized studies of any kind and level.

Art. 3.

Starting with the 16th of October 1938-XVI, all teachers belonging to the Jewish race, filling positions in the schools mentioned in former Art. 1, will be suspended from work. To that end, Principals and directors of the above mentioned schools, aids and university teaching assistants, as well as security personnel in elementary schools, will be considered equivalent to the teaching staff.

In a similar way, Teaching Fellows of the Jewish race will be suspended from exercising Teaching Fellowship.

Art. 4.

Members of Jewish race in Academies, Institutes and Science, Literature and Art Associations will no longer be members of the mentioned institutions, starting with the 16th of October 1938-XVI.

Art. 5.

In derogation from former Art. 2, students of the Jewish race, already enrolled in institutes of higher education in previous academic years, will be allowed, as a temporary measure, to complete their academic studies.

Art. 6.

To the effects of the present legislative decree, it is considered as belonging to the Jewish race any individual born to parents both of the Jewish race, even if he practices a religion different from the Jewish one.

Art. 7.

The present legislative decree, which will enter into force on the date of its publication in the Official Journal of the Kingdom, will be presented to Parliament for its conversion to law. The Minister for National Education is empowered to present the related bill.

We order that the present decree, bearing the seal of State, be inserted in the official collection of laws and decrees of the Italian Kingdom, expecting whoever concerned to fulfill it and to make it fulfilled.

Given at San Rossore, on the 5th of September 1938 – Year XVI

VICTOR EMMANUEL

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Stamped, the: Attorney General: Solmi

Registered at the Court of Accounts on the 12th of September 1938 – Year XVI

Records of the Government, log 401, page 76 – Mancini.

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