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A LAW TO MAKE PROVISION AS TO THE IMMUNITIES, PRIVILEGES AND CAPACITIES OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF WHICH HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS ARE MEMBERS AND FOR THE PURPOSES CONNECTED WITH THE MATTERS AFORESAID.

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Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Law.

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ties of certain
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2. (1) This section shall apply to any organization declared by an order of the Governor in Council to be an organization of which Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the government or governments of one or more foreign sovereign powers are members.

(2) The Governor may by Order in Council—

(a) provide that any organization to which this section applies (hereinafter referred to as "the organiza-

tion ") shall, to such extent as may be specified in the Order, have the immunities and privileges set out in Part I of the Schedule to this Law, and shall also have the legal capacities of a body corporate;

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(b) confer upon—

- (i) any persons who are representatives (whether of governments or not) on any organ of the organization or are members of any committee of the organization or of an organ thereof;
- (ii) such number of officers of the organization as may be specified in the Order, being the holders of such high offices in the organization as may be so specified; and
- (iii) such persons employed on missions on behalf of the organization as may be so specified, to such extent as may be specified in the Order, the immunities and privileges set out in Part II of the Schedule to this Law;

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Part II.

(c) confer upon such other classes of officers and servants of the organization as may be specified in the Order, to such extent as may be so specified, the immunities and privileges set out in Part III of the Schedule to this Law,

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Part III.

and Part IV of the Schedule to this Law shall have effect for the purpose of extending to the staffs of such representatives and members as are mentioned in sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (b) of this subsection and to the families of officers of the organization any immunities and privileges conferred on the representatives, members or officers under that paragraph, except in so far as the operation of the said Part IV is excluded by the Order conferring the immunities and privileges:

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Part IV.

Provided that the Order in Council shall be so framed as to secure that there are not conferred on any person any immunities or privileges greater in extent than those which at the time of the making of the Order, are required to be conferred on that person in order to give effect to any international agreement in that behalf.

(3) Where immunities and privileges are conferred on any persons by an Order in Council made under the last foregoing subsection, the Governor—

(a) shall compile a list of the persons entitled to

immunities and privileges conferred under paragraph (b) of that subsection, and may compile a list of the persons entitled to immunities and privileges conferred under paragraph (c) of that subsection;

- (b) shall cause any list compiled under this subsection to be published in the Gazette; and
- (c) whenever any person ceases or begins to be entitled to the immunities and privileges to which any such list relates, shall amend the list and cause a notice of the amendment, or, if he thinks fit, an amended list, to be published as aforesaid.

(4) Every list or notice published under the last foregoing subsection shall state the date from which the list or amendment takes or took effect; and the fact that any person is or was included or not included at any time among the persons entitled to the immunities and privileges in question may, if a list of those persons has been so published, be conclusively proved by producing the Gazette containing the list, or, as the case may be, the last list taking effect before that time, together with the Gazettes (if any) containing notices of the amendments taking effect before that time, and by showing that the name of that person is or was at that time included or not included in the said list.

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immunities
of represen-
tatives
attending
international
conferences.

3. (1) Where a conference is held in Cyprus and is attended by the representatives of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the government or governments of one or more foreign sovereign powers, and it appears to the Governor that doubts may arise as to the extent to which the representatives of such foreign powers and members of their official staffs are entitled to diplomatic immunities, he may—

- (a) compile a list of the persons aforesaid who are entitled to such immunities, and cause that list to be published in the Gazette; and
- (b) whenever it appears to the Governor that any person ceases or begins to be entitled to such immunities, amend the list and cause a notice of amendment or, if he thinks fit, an amended list, to be published as aforesaid,

and every representative of a foreign power who is for the time being included in the list shall, for the purpose of any law and rule of law or custom relating to the immunities of an envoy of a foreign power accredited to Her Majesty, and