

**International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (APEC Secretariat)  
Order**

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1. This Order may be cited as the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (APEC Secretariat) Order.

## A. THE ORGANISATION

2. The APEC Secretariat is an organisation of the nature indicated in section 2(1) of the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) Act.

3. The APEC Secretariat shall have the legal capacities of a body corporate.

4. The APEC Secretariat shall have the like inviolability of official archives and premises occupied as offices as is accorded in respect of official archives and premises of an envoy of a foreign sovereign Power accredited to the Republic of Singapore:

Provided that the Secretariat shall not permit its premises to be used as a refuge for avoiding arrest under the laws of Singapore or in any other manner incompatible with the purposes of the Secretariat.

5. The APEC Secretariat shall have the like exemption or relief from taxes and rates, other than taxes on the importation of goods, as is accorded to a foreign sovereign Power:

Provided that the Secretariat shall not claim exemption from taxes which are charges for public services.

6. The APEC Secretariat shall have exemption from taxes on the importation of goods directly imported by the Secretariat for its official use in the Republic of Singapore or for exportation, or on the importation of any of the publications of the Secretariat directly imported by it, such exemption to be subject to compliance with such conditions as the Director-General of Customs and Excise may prescribe for the protection of the revenue.

7. The APEC Secretariat shall have exemption from prohibitions and restrictions on importation or exportation in the case of goods directly imported or exported by the