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**SOLOMON ISLANDS
and
SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM
FISHERIES AGENCY**

**Agreement concerning the status, privileges and immunities
of the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency in Solomon
Islands. Signed at Honiara on 10 August 1984**

Authentic text: English.

Registered by Solomon Islands on 1 October 1990.

**ÎLES SALOMON
et
AGENCE DE PÊCHE
DU FORUM DU PACIFIQUE SUD**

**Accord relatif au statut, privilèges et immunités de l'Agence
halieutique du Forum du Pacifique Sud aux îles Salo-
mon. Signé à Honiara le 10 août 1984**

Texte authentique : anglais.

Enregistré par les îles Salomon le 1^{er} octobre 1990.

AGREEMENT¹ CONCERNING THE STATUS, PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM FISHERIES AGENCY IN SOLOMON ISLANDS

The Government of Solomon Islands and the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency:

Having regard to Article VIII of the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency Convention;²

Desiring to define the status, privileges and immunities in Solomon Islands of the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency and its officers;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1 - Interpretation

For the purposes of this Agreement

'Agency' means South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency established by the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency Convention;

'Government' means Government of Solomon Islands;

'Act' means Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities Act 1978, as amended from time to time; and

'Vienna Convention' means Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations³ as defined in and given effect to by the Act, except that 'the mission' shall be read as a reference to the Agency, 'members of the mission' as officers of the Agency and 'the sending State' as the Forum Fisheries Committee established by the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency Convention, or the home State of the officer concerned, as appropriate

Article 2 - Capacity of the Agency

The Agency shall have the legal capacity of a body corporate, including the capacity to conclude contracts, to acquire and dispose of property, to sue and, subject to Article 3, to be sued.

Article 3 - Privileges and Immunities of the Agency

The Agency shall have the following privileges and immunities:

- (a) Immunity from suit and legal process except:
 - (i) to the extent that the Director has waived the immunity;
 - (ii) in respect of a counter-claim directly connected with a suit initiated by the Agency; and

¹ Came into force on 10 August 1984 by signature, in accordance with article 12.

² See p. 307 of this volume.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 500, p. 95.