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The Prisons and Young Offenders
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PART 8

COMMUNICATIONS

PRISON VISITS

Visits by representatives of diplomatic services and national or international authorities or organisations

69.—(1) A prisoner who is a foreign national is entitled to communicate with and, if the representative so wishes, receive a visit at any reasonable time from a diplomatic representative of the prisoner's choice.

(2) A prisoner who is a refugee or stateless person is entitled to communicate with and, if the representative so wishes, receive a visit at any reasonable time from—

- (a) a diplomatic representative of a state which the prisoner considers may look after his or her interests; or
 - (b) subject to such limit as to numbers of authorities or organisations as the Governor may reasonably impose, an authorised representative of national or international authorities or organisations whose principal purpose is to serve the interests of refugees or stateless persons or to protect the civil rights of such persons.
- (3) Where a prisoner receives a visit in terms of this rule the visit must take place—
- (a) within the sight of an officer; and
 - (b) outwith the hearing of an officer unless either the prisoner or the visitor requests otherwise.