

## International Organisations Act 1981

## **1981 CHAPTER 9**

## **3** Conferences convened by international organisations.

The following section is hereby inserted in the 1968 Act after section 5—

## "5A Orders under ss. 1 and 4 extending to U.K. conferences.

- (1) An Order in Council made under section 1 of this Act in respect of any organisation, or under section 4 of this Act in respect of an international commodity organisation, may to such extent as may be specified in the Order, and subject to the following provisions of this section,—
  - (a) confer on persons of any such class as may be specified in the Order, being persons who are or are to be representatives (whether of Governments or not) at any conference which the organisation may convene in the United Kingdom—
    - (i) in the case of an Order under section 1, the privileges and immunities set out in Part II of Schedule 1 to this Act;
    - (ii) in the case of an Order under section 4. the privileges and immunities set out in paragraphs 11 and 14 of that Schedule; and
  - (b) in the case of an Order under section 4, provide that the official papers of such persons shall be inviolable.
- (2) Where in the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (1)(a) of this section an Order confers privileges and immunities on persons of any such class as is mentioned in that paragraph, the provisions of paragraphs 19 to 22 of Schedule 1 to this Act shall have effect in relation to the members of the official staffs of such persons as if in paragraph 19 of that Schedule " representative " were defined as a person of such a class.
- (3) The powers exercisable by virtue of this section may be exercised notwithstanding the provisions of any such agreement as is mentioned in section 1(6)(a) or 4 of this Act, but no privilege or immunity may thereby be conferred on any such representative, or member of his staff, as is mentioned in section 1(6)(b) of this Act.

- (4) In this section " international commodity organisation " has the meaning given by section 4A(1) of this Act.
- (5) This section is without prejudice to section 6 of this Act.".