

SCHEDULE

PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Interpretation

- 8 (1) In this Schedule—
- “archives of the Office” includes all the papers, documents, correspondence, books, films, tapes, discs and registers of the Office (wherever found);
 - “the Convention” means the articles of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations set out in Schedule 1 to the Consular Relations Act 1968;
 - “the head of the Office” means the person charged by the government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region with the duty of acting in that capacity;
 - “member of the Office” means, subject to sub-paragraph (3), a person employed by the government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to carry on the business of the Office;
 - “the Office” means any office in relation to which this Act applies; and
 - “the premises of the Office” means the buildings or parts of buildings, together with any ancillary land, used exclusively for the official use of the Office.
- (2) Where this Schedule refers to an article of the Convention, the article shall be construed for the purposes of the reference as if—
- (a) references to the sending State were references to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region; and
 - (b) references to the head of a consular post or diplomatic mission were references to the head of the Office.
- (3) If the Secretary of State notifies the government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region that a person—
- (a) is not acceptable as a member of the Office, or
 - (b) is no longer considered to be a member of the Office,
- that person shall not, while the notification is in force, be regarded as a member of the Office for the purposes of any provision of, or made by virtue of, this Schedule.