
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 411

**The International Cocoa Organization
(Immunities and Privileges) Order 1975**

**PART IV
OFFICERS**

All Officers

16. Except in so far as in any particular case any privilege or immunity is waived by the Executive Director of the Organization or (in the case of the Executive Director) by the Council of the Organization, the Buffer Stock Manager and all officers appointed or recruited by the Executive Director for full-time employment with the Organization and who are subject to its staff regulations, with the exception of those who are recruited locally and assigned to hourly rates of pay, shall enjoy:—

- (a) immunity from suit and legal process in respect of things done or omitted to be done by them in the course of the performance of their official duties, except in the case of a motor traffic offence committed by an officer or in the case of damage caused by a motor vehicle belonging to or driven by him;
- (b) as from the date on which the emoluments received by them as officers of the Organization become subject to taxation by the Organization for its benefit, exemption from income tax in respect of such emoluments;
- (c) unless they are citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies, the like exemption from customs duties and taxes on the importation of articles which—
 - (i) at or about the time when they first enter the United Kingdom as officers of the Organization are imported for their personal use or that of members of their families forming part of their households, including articles intended for their establishment, and
 - (ii) are articles which were in their ownership or possession or that of such members of their families, or which they or such members of their families were under contract to purchase, immediately before they so entered the United Kingdom,as, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 36 of the 1961 Convention Articles, is accorded to a diplomatic agent;
- (d) unless they are citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies or permanently resident in the United Kingdom, exemptions whereby, for the purposes of the enactments relating to national insurance and social security, including enactments in force in Northern Ireland,
 - (i) services rendered for the Organization by them shall be deemed to be excepted from any class of employment in respect of which contributions or premiums under those enactments are payable, but
 - (ii) no person shall be rendered liable to pay any contribution or premium which he would not be required to pay if those services were not deemed to be so excepted,

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provided that until the day appointed for the coming into force of section 2 of the Social Security Act 1973 the following shall apply in substitution for the foregoing provisions of this sub-paragraph—

“unless they are citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies or permanently resident in the United Kingdom, exemptions whereby, for the purposes of the National Insurance Acts 1965 to 1969, the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Acts 1965 to 1968, any enactment for the time being in force amending any of those Acts, and any enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland corresponding to any of those Acts or to any enactment amending any of those Acts,—

- (i) services rendered by them for the Organization shall be deemed to be excepted from any class of employment which is insurable employment, or in respect of in respect of which contributions are required to be paid, but
- (ii) no person shall be rendered liable to pay any contribution which he would not be required to pay if those services were not deemed to be so excepted.”