

SCHEDULE 7

ORGANISATION FOR THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS

Representatives

6.—(1) Except in so far as in any particular case such immunity or privilege is waived by the Member which they represent, representatives of a Member at the meetings of the Organisation shall enjoy, while exercising their functions (and in the course of their journeys to and from the place of meeting)—

- (a) the like immunity from personal arrest or detention, and from seizure of their personal baggage, as is accorded to a diplomatic agent;
- (b) immunity from suit and legal process (even after the termination of their mission) in respect of acts, including words written or spoken, performed by them in their official capacity; and
- (c) the like inviolability for all papers, documents and official material as is accorded to a diplomatic agent.

(2) Where the incidence of any form of local taxes (as described in the exception in Section A1 of Part II of Schedule 5 to the Scotland Act 1998) depends upon residence, a representative shall not be deemed to be resident in the United Kingdom during any period when the representative is present in the United Kingdom for the discharge of official duties.

(3) Part IV of Schedule 1 to the 1968 Act shall not operate so as to confer any immunity or privilege on the official staff of representatives, other than alternates, advisers, technical experts and secretaries of their delegations.

(4) Neither the preceding sub paragraphs nor Part IV of Schedule 1 to the 1968 Act shall operate so as to confer any immunity or privilege on—

- (a) persons as the representatives, alternates, technical advisers or secretaries of the delegation of the United Kingdom; or
- (b) any person who is a British citizen, a British overseas territories citizen, a British Overseas citizen or a British National (Overseas).

(5) Part IV of Schedule 1 to the 1968 Act shall not operate so as to confer any immunity or privilege on families of representatives of Members.