

SCHEDULE

IMMUNITIES AND PRIVILEGES

PART II

THE STAFF OF THE SECRETARIAT

- 5 (1) Every senior officer of the Commonwealth Secretariat, who is a citizen of a country mentioned in section 1(3) of the British Nationality Act 1948, and any member of his family forming part of his household, other than a member who is a citizen only of the United Kingdom and Colonies, shall, if permanently resident outside the United Kingdom, have the like privileges and immunities as are accorded by law to a diplomatic agent and the members of his family forming part of his household, except that any such person shall not be exempt from liability for income tax in respect of any salary or emoluments payable to him by the Secretariat.
- (2) In accordance with the foregoing sub-paragraph, service as a senior officer falling within that sub-paragraph shall not be treated as employment in respect of which contributions are required to be paid, or as insurable employment, under the National Insurance Act 1965, the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965 or any enactment for the time being in force amending either of those Acts, but the foregoing provision shall not be construed as rendering any person liable to any contribution which he would not be required to pay if service as aforesaid were not so treated.
- 6 Every officer and servant of the Commonwealth Secretariat not falling within paragraph 5(1) of this Schedule shall have—
- (a) immunity from suit and legal process in respect of acts or omissions of his in the course of the performance of official duties, except immunity from suit and legal process in respect of a civil action for damage alleged to have been caused by a motor vehicle belonging to or driven by him, or in respect of a motor traffic offence involving such a vehicle;
 - (b) the like inviolability for all his official papers and documents as is accorded by law to the diplomatic agent of a sending State.
- 7 Every officer and servant of the Commonwealth Secretariat not falling within paragraph 5(1) of this Schedule shall, if a citizen of a country mentioned in section 1(3) of the British Nationality Act 1948 and ordinarily resident outside the United Kingdom immediately before first taking up his post with the Secretariat, be exempt from duties on the importation, on the occasion of his first taking up that post, of personal and household effects, including private motor vehicles, for the use of himself and any members of his family forming part of his household.