

*These notes refer to the International Organisations Act
2005 (c.20) which received Royal Assent on 7 April 2005*

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 6 International Criminal Court

9. The International Organisations Act 2005 amends the International Criminal Court Act 2001 to allow the UK to confer privileges and immunities on representatives of States participating in the Assembly and its subsidiary organs, representatives of inter-governmental organisations and also on family members of the judges, prosecutor, deputy prosecutors or the registrar who form part of their household, during their period of residence in the UK. This enables the UK to implement fully its obligations in the Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court of 2002 which the UK signed on 10 September 2002. Before the International Organisations Act 2005 it was not possible to use the 2001 Act to confer privileges and immunities on these individuals.