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**DIPLOMATIC AND INTERNATIONAL IMMUNITIES  
AND PRIVILEGES****The Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland  
(Immunities) Order 1970***Laid before Parliament in draft**Made - - - - 28th April 1970**Coming into Operation 1st May 1970*

At the Court of Saint James, the 28th day of April 1970

Present,

**Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother  
His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Prince of Wales****Lord President  
Lord Brown****Sir Elwyn Jones  
Mr. Hughes**

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 27th day of February 1970, to delegate to the following Counsellors of State (subject to the exceptions hereinafter mentioned) or any two or more of them, that is to say, His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester and His Royal Highness Prince William of Gloucester, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And Whereas Her Majesty was further pleased to except from the number of the said Counsellors of State His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, and His Royal Highness Prince William of Gloucester while absent from the United Kingdom:

And whereas a draft of this Order has been laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and His Royal Highness The Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers

conferred by section 2(1) of the Diplomatic Immunities (Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland) Act 1952(a) and all other powers enabling Her Majesty, do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland (Immunities) Order 1970 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1970.

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. In section 1(6) of the Diplomatic Immunities (Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland) Act 1952 for the words “and the Republic of Ireland” there shall be substituted the words “Nauru, and the Republic of Ireland”.

*N. E. Leigh*

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order adds Nauru to the list of Commonwealth countries in section 1(6) of the Diplomatic Immunities (Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland) Act 1952 whose officers in the United Kingdom may be accorded, by Her Majesty in Council, the consular immunities described in that Act.

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(a) 1952 c. 18.

(b) 1889 c. 63.

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