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**DIPLOMATIC AND INTERNATIONAL IMMUNITIES
AND PRIVILEGES****The Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland
(Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1976**

Made - - - - - 19th January 1976
Laid before Parliament 26th January 1976
Coming into Operation 17th February 1976

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of January 1976

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by sections 12 and 14 of the Consular Relations Act 1968(a), as amended by section 4 of the Diplomatic and other Privileges Act 1971(b), or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1976 and shall come into operation on 17th February 1976.

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

3. After Article 8 of the Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1971(d) as amended(e) there shall be inserted a new Article as follows:

“8A. The like relief from general rates as is accorded under Article 32 in Schedule 1 to the Act to consular premises and the residence of the career head of a consular post shall be extended to the office (known as the Hong Kong Government Office) and the residence respectively of the Hong Kong Commissioner.”

N. E. Leigh

(a) 1968 c. 18.

(b) 1971 c. 64.

(c) 1889 c. 63.

(d) S.I. 1971/1237 (1971 II, p. 3597).

(e) S.I. 1974/109, 1709 (1974 I, p. 405; III, p. 6146).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order further amends the Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1971 by extending partial relief from general rates to the office and residence of the Hong Kong Commissioner.

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