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## IMMIGRATION

**The Immigration (Exemption from Control)  
(Amendment) Order 1977**

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| <i>Made - - - -</i>           | <i>14th April 1977</i> |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> | <i>22nd April 1977</i> |
| <i>Coming into Operation</i>  | <i>15th May 1977</i>   |

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 8(2) of the Immigration Act 1971(a), I hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Immigration (Exemption from Control) (Amendment) Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 15th May 1977.

2. In this Order “the principal Order” means the Immigration (Exemption from Control) Order 1972(b) as amended(c).

3. In Article 4 of the principal Order (which exempts certain persons from any provision of the Immigration Act 1971 relating to those who are not patrial except any provision relating to deportation)—

(a) at the end of paragraph (g) there shall be inserted the words “or by any Order in Council continuing to have effect by virtue of section 12(5) of the said Act of 1968”; and

(b) for paragraph (j) there shall be substituted the following paragraphs:—

“(j) any officer or servant of the Commonwealth Secretariat falling within paragraph 6 of the Schedule to the Commonwealth Secretariat Act 1966(d) (which confers certain immunities on those members of the staff of the Secretariat who are not entitled to full diplomatic immunity);

(k) any member of the family of a person exempted under any of the preceding paragraphs forming part of his household.”.

4. In the Schedule to the principal Order (which contains a list of states with which consular conventions have been concluded by Her Majesty) there shall be inserted—

(a) after the word “Bulgaria”, the word “Czechoslovakia”;

(b) after the word “France”, the words “German Democratic Republic”;

(c) after the word “Mexico”, the word “Mongolia”.

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(a) 1971 c. 77.

(c) There are no relevant amendments.

(b) S.I. 1972/1613 (1972 III, p. 4744).

(d) 1966 c. 10.

*Merlyn Rees,*  
One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

Home Office,  
Whitehall.  
14th April 1977.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the Immigration (Exemption from Control) Order 1972 as follows.

Article 4 of that Order, which exempts certain persons from immigration control (except in relation to deportation), is amended so as to make it clear that persons on whom any immunity from suit and legal process is conferred by an Order in Council which was made under an enactment repealed by the International Organisations Act 1968 (c. 48), but which continues to have effect by virtue of section 12(5) of that Act, are exempted. Article 4 is also amended so as to exempt members of the staff of the Commonwealth Secretariat who are not entitled to full diplomatic immunity, together with their families forming part of their households.

Article 3 of that Order exempts from immigration control consular officers and employees (and their families) in the service of the states listed in the Schedule as being those with which consular conventions have been concluded by Her Majesty. The Schedule is amended so as to add Czechoslovakia, the German Democratic Republic and Mongolia with which consular conventions have recently been concluded.

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