

**No. S 69**

## INCOME TAX ACT 1947

INCOME TAX  
(SINGAPORE — SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF  
TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU)  
(AVOIDANCE OF DOUBLE TAXATION AGREEMENT)  
ORDER 2026

WHEREAS it is provided by section 49 of the Income Tax Act 1947 that if the Minister by order declares that arrangements specified in the order have been made with the government of any country outside Singapore with a view to affording relief from double taxation in relation to tax under the Act (including DTT but excluding MTT) and any tax of a similar character imposed by the laws of that country, and that it is expedient that those arrangements should have effect, the arrangements have effect in relation to tax under the Act despite anything in any written law:

AND WHEREAS by an Agreement dated 31 December 2025, between the Singapore Trade Office in Taipei and the Taipei Representative Office in Singapore, arrangements were made, among other things, for the avoidance of double taxation:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is declared by the Minister for Finance —

- (a) that the arrangements specified in the Schedule to this Order have been made with the Government of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu; and
- (b) that it is expedient that those arrangements should have effect despite anything in any written law.

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## THE SCHEDULE

AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE SINGAPORE TRADE OFFICE IN TAIPEI AND  
THE TAIPEI REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN SINGAPORE  
FOR THE ELIMINATION OF DOUBLE TAXATION  
WITH RESPECT TO TAXES ON INCOME  
AND THE PREVENTION OF TAX EVASION AND AVOIDANCE

The Singapore Trade Office in Taipei and the Taipei Representative Office in Singapore,

Desiring to further develop their economic relationship and to enhance their co-operation in tax matters,

Intending to conclude an Agreement for the elimination of double taxation with respect to taxes on income without creating opportunities for non-taxation or reduced taxation through tax evasion or avoidance (including through treaty-shopping arrangements aimed at obtaining reliefs provided in this Agreement for the indirect benefit of residents of third territories or jurisdictions),

Have agreed as follows:

### ARTICLE 1

#### PERSONS COVERED

1. This Agreement shall apply to persons who are residents of one or both of the territories.

2. (a) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Agreement, a collective investment vehicle in a territory which receives income arising in the other territory shall be treated, for purposes of applying the Agreement to such income, as a resident of the first-mentioned territory, and as the beneficial owner of the income it receives (provided that, if a resident of the first-mentioned territory had received the income in the same circumstances, the resident would have been considered to be the beneficial owner thereof).

(b) For purposes of this paragraph, the term “collective investment vehicle in a territory” means:

(i) in the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, an arrangement that is a collective investment scheme under the Securities and Futures Act 2001 and is not exempted from Subdivisions (2) and (3) of Division 2, Part 13 of that Act by virtue of any of the provisions in Subdivision (4) of Division 2, Part 13 of that Act of that territory and:

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- (A) where the arrangement is not constituted in the form of a trust, it is controlled and managed in that territory; or
  - (B) where the arrangement is constituted as a trust, the trustee is tax resident in that territory;
- (ii) in the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2, mutual trust funds, securities investment trust funds, futures trust funds, and real estate investment trusts, which are publicly offered and established in accordance with relevant laws of that territory; and
  - (iii) any other investment fund, arrangement, or entity established in either territory which the competent authorities of the territories agree to regard as a collective investment vehicle in a territory for purposes of this paragraph.

**ARTICLE 2**

**TAXES COVERED**

1. This Agreement shall apply to taxes on income imposed in each territory irrespective of the manner in which they are levied.

2. There shall be regarded as taxes on income all taxes imposed on total income or on elements of income, including taxes on gains from the alienation of movable or immovable property.

3. The existing taxes to which the Agreement shall apply are in particular:

(a) in the territory in which the taxation law administered by the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore is applied:

- the income tax;

(b) in the territory in which the taxation law administered by the Taxation Administration, Ministry of Finance, Taipei is applied:

(i) the profit-seeking enterprise income tax;

(ii) the individual income tax; and

(iii) the income basic tax.

4. This Agreement shall also apply to any taxes of a substantially similar character which are subsequently imposed in addition to, or in place of, the existing taxes. The competent authorities of the territories shall notify each other of any significant changes that have been made in their respective taxation laws.

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**ARTICLE 3**

**GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (a) the term “a territory” means the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) or 3(b) of Article 2 of this Agreement, as the case requires, and “the other territory” and “territories” shall be construed accordingly;
  - (b) the term “person” includes an individual, a company and any other body of persons which is treated as an entity for tax purposes;
  - (c) the term “company” means any body corporate or any entity that is treated as a body corporate for tax purposes;
  - (d) the terms “enterprise of a territory” and “enterprise of the other territory” mean respectively an enterprise carried on by a resident of a territory and an enterprise carried on by a resident of the other territory;
  - (e) the term “international traffic” means any transport by a ship or aircraft operated by an enterprise of a territory, except when the ship or aircraft is operated solely between places in the other territory;
  - (f) the term “competent authority” means:
    - (i) in the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, the Commissioner of Inland Revenue or his authorised representative;
    - (ii) in the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2, the Ministry of Finance or its authorised representative;
  - (g) the term “citizen” means:
    - (i) with respect to the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, any natural person who is a citizen of that territory within the meaning of its Constitution and its domestic laws; and
    - (ii) with respect to the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2, any natural person who has the citizenship of that territory with personal identification registration with the authorities of that territory in accordance with its domestic laws;
  - (h) the term “statutory body” means a body constituted by any statute of a territory, or a subdivision or a local authority thereof, and performing

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functions which would otherwise be performed by the territory, subdivision or authority.

2. As regards the application of the Agreement at any time by a territory, any term not defined therein shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning that it has at that time under the law of that territory for the purposes of the taxes to which the Agreement applies, any meaning under the applicable tax laws of that territory prevailing over a meaning given to the term under other laws of that territory.

**ARTICLE 4**

**RESIDENT**

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, the term “resident of a territory” means any person who is a resident in accordance with the tax laws in that territory, and also includes that territory, the authority administering that territory or any subdivision or local authority or statutory body thereof.

2. Where by reason of the provisions of paragraph 1 an individual is a resident of both territories, then his status shall be determined as follows:

- (a) he shall be deemed to be a resident only of the territory in which he has a permanent home available to him; if he has a permanent home available to him in both territories, he shall be deemed to be a resident only of the territory with which his personal and economic relations are closer (centre of vital interests);
- (b) if the territory in which he has his centre of vital interests cannot be determined, or if he has not a permanent home available to him in either territory, he shall be deemed to be a resident only of the territory in which he has an habitual abode;
- (c) if he has an habitual abode in both territories or in neither of them, the competent authorities of the territories shall settle the question by mutual agreement.

3. Where by reason of the provisions of paragraph 1 a person other than an individual is a resident of both territories, then it shall be deemed to be a resident only of the territory in which its place of effective management is situated. If its place of effective management cannot be determined, the competent authorities of the territories shall settle the question by mutual agreement.

THE SCHEDULE — *continued***ARTICLE 5****PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT**

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, the term “permanent establishment” means a fixed place of business through which the business of the enterprise is wholly or partly carried on.

2. The term “permanent establishment” includes especially:

- (a) a place of management;
- (b) a branch;
- (c) an office;
- (d) a factory;
- (e) a workshop; and
- (f) a mine, an oil or gas well, a quarry or any other place of extraction of natural resources.

3. The term “permanent establishment” also includes:

- (a) a building site, a construction, installation or assembly project or supervisory activities in connection therewith, but only if such site, project or activities last more than 9 months;
- (b) the furnishing of services, including consultancy services, by an enterprise of a territory through employees or other personnel engaged by the enterprise for such purpose, but only where activities of that nature continue (for the same or a connected project) within the other territory for a period or periods aggregating more than 183 days within any 12-month period.

4. Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this Article, the term “permanent establishment” shall be deemed not to include:

- (a) the use of facilities solely for the purpose of storage, display or delivery of goods or merchandise belonging to the enterprise;
- (b) the maintenance of a stock of goods or merchandise belonging to the enterprise solely for the purpose of storage, display or delivery;
- (c) the maintenance of a stock of goods or merchandise belonging to the enterprise solely for the purpose of processing by another enterprise;
- (d) the maintenance of a fixed place of business solely for the purpose of purchasing goods or merchandise or of collecting information, for the enterprise;

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- (e) the maintenance of a fixed place of business solely for the purpose of carrying on, for the enterprise, any other activity of a preparatory or auxiliary character; or
- (f) the maintenance of a fixed place of business solely for any combination of activities mentioned in sub-paragraphs (a) to (e), provided that the overall activity of the fixed place of business resulting from this combination is of a preparatory or auxiliary character.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2, where a person — other than an agent of an independent status to whom paragraph 6 applies — is acting on behalf of an enterprise and has, and habitually exercises, in a territory an authority to conclude contracts in the name of the enterprise, that enterprise shall be deemed to have a permanent establishment in that territory in respect of any activities which that person undertakes for the enterprise, unless the activities of such person are limited to those mentioned in paragraph 4 which, if exercised through a fixed place of business, would not make this fixed place of business a permanent establishment under the provisions of that paragraph.

6. An enterprise shall not be deemed to have a permanent establishment in a territory merely because it carries on business in that territory through a broker, general commission agent or any other agent of an independent status, provided that such persons are acting in the ordinary course of their business.

7. The fact that a company which is a resident of a territory controls or is controlled by a company which is a resident of the other territory, or which carries on business in that other territory (whether through a permanent establishment or otherwise), shall not of itself constitute either company a permanent establishment of the other.

## ARTICLE 6

### INCOME FROM IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

1. Income derived by a resident of a territory from immovable property situated in the other territory may be taxed in that other territory.

2. The term “immovable property” shall have the meaning which it has under the law of the territory in which the property in question is situated. The term shall in any case include property accessory to immovable property, livestock and equipment used in agriculture and forestry, rights to which the provisions of general law respecting landed property apply, usufruct of immovable property and rights to variable or fixed payments as consideration for the working of, or the right to work, mineral deposits, sources and other natural resources; ships, boats and aircraft shall not be regarded as immovable property.

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3. The provisions of paragraph 1 shall apply to income derived from the direct use, letting, or use in any other form of immovable property.

4. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 3 shall also apply to the income from immovable property of an enterprise and to income from immovable property used for the performance of independent personal services.

**ARTICLE 7**

**BUSINESS PROFITS**

1. The profits of an enterprise of a territory shall be taxable only in that territory unless the enterprise carries on business in the other territory through a permanent establishment situated therein. If the enterprise carries on business as aforesaid, the profits of the enterprise may be taxed in the other territory but only so much of them as is attributable to that permanent establishment.

2. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 3, where an enterprise of a territory carries on business in the other territory through a permanent establishment situated therein, there shall in each territory be attributed to that permanent establishment the profits which it might be expected to make if it were a distinct and separate enterprise engaged in the same or similar activities under the same or similar conditions and dealing wholly independently with the enterprise of which it is a permanent establishment.

3. In determining the profits of a permanent establishment, there shall be allowed as deductions all expenses, including executive and general administrative expenses, which would be deductible if the permanent establishment were an independent enterprise, insofar as they are reasonably allocable to the permanent establishment, whether incurred in the territory in which the permanent establishment is situated or elsewhere.

4. No profits shall be attributed to a permanent establishment by reason of the mere purchase by that permanent establishment of goods or merchandise for the enterprise.

5. For the purposes of the preceding paragraphs, the profits to be attributed to the permanent establishment shall be determined by the same method year by year unless there is good and sufficient reason to the contrary.

6. Where profits include items of income which are dealt with separately in other Articles of this Agreement, then the provisions of those Articles shall not be affected by the provisions of this Article.

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**ARTICLE 8**

**SHIPPING AND AIR TRANSPORT**

1. Profits derived by an enterprise of a territory from the operation of ships or aircraft in international traffic shall be taxable only in that territory.

2. The provisions of paragraph 1 shall also apply to profits from the participation in a pool, a joint business or an international operating agency, but only to so much of the profits so derived as is attributable to the participant in proportion to its share in the joint operation.

3. Interest on funds connected with the operations of ships or aircraft in international traffic shall be regarded as profits derived from the operation of such ships or aircraft, and the provisions of Article 11 shall not apply in relation to such interest.

4. For the purposes of this Article, profits from the operation of ships or aircraft in international traffic shall include:

- (a) profits from the rental on a full (time or voyage) basis or a bareboat basis of ships or aircraft; and
- (b) profits from the use, maintenance or rental of containers (including trailers and related equipment for the transport of containers), used for the transport of goods or merchandise;

where such rental or such use, maintenance or rental, as the case may be, is incidental to the operation of ships or aircraft in international traffic.

**ARTICLE 9**

**ASSOCIATED ENTERPRISES**

1. Where

- (a) an enterprise of a territory participates directly or indirectly in the management, control or capital of an enterprise of the other territory, or
- (b) the same persons participate directly or indirectly in the management, control or capital of an enterprise of a territory and an enterprise of the other territory,

and in either case conditions are made or imposed between the two enterprises in their commercial or financial relations which differ from those which would be made between independent enterprises, then any profits which would, but for those conditions, have accrued to one of the enterprises, but, by reason of those

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conditions, have not so accrued, may be included in the profits of that enterprise and taxed accordingly.

2. Where a territory includes in the profits of an enterprise of that territory — and taxes accordingly — profits on which an enterprise of the other territory has been charged to tax in that other territory and the profits so included are profits which would have accrued to the enterprise of the first-mentioned territory if the conditions made between the two enterprises had been those which would have been made between independent enterprises, then that other territory shall make an appropriate adjustment to the amount of the tax charged therein on those agreed profits. In determining such adjustment, due regard shall be had to the other provisions of this Agreement and the competent authorities of the territories shall if necessary consult each other.

**ARTICLE 10**

**DIVIDENDS**

1. Dividends paid by a company which is a resident of a territory to a resident of the other territory may be taxed in that other territory.

2. However, dividends paid by a company which is a resident of a territory may also be taxed in that territory according to the laws of that territory, but if the beneficial owner of the dividends is a resident of the other territory, the tax so charged shall not exceed 10 per cent of the gross amount of the dividends. This paragraph shall not affect the taxation of the company in respect of the profits out of which the dividends are paid.

3. The term “dividends” as used in this Article means income from shares, “jouissance” shares or “jouissance” rights, mining shares, founders’ shares or other rights, not being debt-claims, participating in profits, as well as income from other corporate rights which is subjected to the same taxation treatment as income from shares by the laws of the territory of which the company making the distribution is a resident.

4. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply if the beneficial owner of the dividends, being a resident of a territory, carries on business in the other territory of which the company paying the dividends is a resident, through a permanent establishment situated therein, or performs in that other territory independent personal services from a fixed base situated therein, and the holding in respect of which the dividends are paid is effectively connected with such permanent establishment or fixed base. In such case the provisions of Article 7 or Article 14, as the case may be, shall apply.

5. Where a company which is a resident of a territory derives profits or income from the other territory, that other territory may not impose any tax on the

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dividends paid by the company, except insofar as such dividends are paid to a resident of that other territory or insofar as the holding in respect of which the dividends are paid is effectively connected with a permanent establishment or a fixed base situated in that other territory, nor subject the company's undistributed profits to a tax on the company's undistributed profits, even if the dividends paid or the undistributed profits consist wholly or partly of profits or income arising in such other territory.

**ARTICLE 11**

**INTEREST**

1. Interest arising in a territory and paid to a resident of the other territory may be taxed in that other territory.

2. However, interest arising in a territory may also be taxed in that territory according to the laws of that territory, but if the beneficial owner of the interest is a resident of the other territory, the tax so charged shall not exceed 10 per cent of the gross amount of the interest.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 2, interest arising in a territory and paid to a resident of the other territory shall be taxable only in that other territory if the recipient is the beneficial owner of the interest and:

- (a) the recipient is that other territory, the authority administering that territory or any subdivision or local authority or statutory body thereof;
- (b) the interest is paid by a bank of a territory to a bank of the other territory; or
- (c) the recipient is one of the following:
  - (i) in the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2:
    - (A) the Monetary Authority of Singapore and its wholly-owned (direct or indirect) subsidiaries;
    - (B) entities, including special-purpose investment funds or arrangements, wholly-owned (directly or indirectly) by the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, which are set up to invest and manage the assets of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, and where the interest paid relates to such assets. For avoidance of doubt, this includes, but is not limited to, GIC Private Limited, GIC (Realty) Private Limited, GIC (Ventures) Pte. Ltd., Eurovest Pte. Ltd., and their wholly-owned (direct or indirect) subsidiaries;

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- (ii) in the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2:
  - (A) the Central Bank;
  - (B) the Export-Import Bank;
  - (C) the entities specified in item (4) of subparagraph 2 of paragraph 1 of Article 5 of the Regulations Governing Application of Agreements for the Avoidance of Double Taxation with Respect to Taxes on Income which was amended and issued on August 12, 2021 and which are wholly-owned (directly or indirectly) by the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2; and
- (iii) any institution as may be agreed between the competent authorities of the territories.

4. The term “interest” as used in this Article means income from debt-claims of every kind, whether or not secured by mortgage and whether or not carrying a right to participate in the debtor’s profits, and in particular, income from government securities and income from bonds or debentures, including premiums and prizes attaching to such securities, bonds or debentures. Penalty charges for late payment shall not be regarded as interest for the purpose of this Article.

5. The provisions of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3(b) shall not apply if the beneficial owner of the interest, being a resident of a territory, carries on business in the other territory in which the interest arises, through a permanent establishment situated therein, or performs in that other territory independent personal services from a fixed base situated therein, and the debt-claim in respect of which the interest is paid is effectively connected with such permanent establishment or fixed base. In such case the provisions of Article 7 or Article 14, as the case may be, shall apply.

6. Interest shall be deemed to arise in a territory when the payer is a resident of that territory. Where, however, the person paying the interest, whether he is a resident of a territory or not, has in a territory a permanent establishment or a fixed base in connection with which the indebtedness on which the interest is paid was incurred, and such interest is borne by such permanent establishment or fixed base, then such interest shall be deemed to arise in the territory in which the permanent establishment or fixed base is situated.

7. Where, by reason of a special relationship between the payer and the beneficial owner or between both of them and some other person, the amount of the interest, having regard to the debt-claim for which it is paid, exceeds the amount which would have been agreed upon by the payer and the beneficial owner in the absence of such relationship, the provisions of this Article shall apply only to the last-mentioned amount. In such case, the excess part of the payments shall

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remain taxable according to the laws of each territory, due regard being had to the other provisions of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 12**

**ROYALTIES**

1. Royalties arising in a territory and paid to a resident of the other territory may be taxed in that other territory.

2. However, royalties arising in a territory may also be taxed in that territory according to the laws of that territory, but if the beneficial owner of the royalties is a resident of the other territory, the tax so charged shall not exceed 10 per cent of the gross amount of the royalties.

3. The term “royalties” as used in this Article means payments of any kind received as a consideration for the use of, or the right to use, any copyright of literary, artistic or scientific work including cinematograph films, and films or tapes for radio or television broadcasting, patent, trade mark, design or model, plan, secret formula or process, or for information concerning industrial, commercial or scientific experience.

4. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply if the beneficial owner of the royalties, being a resident of a territory, carries on business in the other territory in which the royalties arise, through a permanent establishment situated therein, or performs in that other territory independent personal services from a fixed base situated therein, and the right or property in respect of which the royalties are paid is effectively connected with such permanent establishment or fixed base. In such case, the provisions of Article 7 or Article 14, as the case may be, shall apply.

5. Royalties shall be deemed to arise in a territory when the payer is a resident of that territory. Where, however, the person paying the royalties, whether he is a resident of a territory or not, has in a territory a permanent establishment or a fixed base in connection with which the liability to pay the royalties was incurred, and such royalties are borne by such permanent establishment or fixed base, then such royalties shall be deemed to arise in the territory in which the permanent establishment or fixed base is situated.

6. Where, by reason of a special relationship between the payer and the beneficial owner or between both of them and some other person, the amount of the royalties, having regard to the use, right or information for which they are paid, exceeds the amount which would have been agreed upon by the payer and the beneficial owner in the absence of such relationship, the provisions of this Article shall apply only to the last-mentioned amount. In such case, the excess part of the

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payments shall remain taxable according to the laws of each territory, due regard being had to the other provisions of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 13**

**CAPITAL GAINS**

1. Gains derived by a resident of a territory from the alienation of immovable property referred to in Article 6 and situated in the other territory may be taxed in that other territory.

2. Gains from the alienation of movable property forming part of the business property of a permanent establishment which an enterprise of a territory has in the other territory or of movable property pertaining to a fixed base available to a resident of a territory in the other territory for the purpose of performing independent personal services, including such gains from the alienation of such a permanent establishment (alone or with the whole enterprise) or of such fixed base, may be taxed in that other territory.

3. Gains derived by a resident of a territory from the alienation of ships or aircraft operated in international traffic, or movable property pertaining to the operation of such ships or aircraft, shall be taxable only in that territory.

4. Gains derived by a resident of a territory from the alienation of shares or comparable interests of any kind (including interests in a partnership or trust), other than such shares or comparable interests traded on any recognised stock exchange, may be taxed in the other territory if these shares or comparable interests derived more than 50 per cent of their value directly or indirectly from immovable property, as defined in Article 6, situated in that other territory.

5. Gains from the alienation of any property other than that referred to in the preceding paragraphs of this Article shall be taxable only in the territory of which the alienator is a resident.

**ARTICLE 14**

**INDEPENDENT PERSONAL SERVICES**

1. Income derived by an individual who is a resident of a territory in respect of professional services or other activities of an independent character shall be taxable only in that territory except in the following circumstances, when such income may also be taxed in the other territory:

- (a) if he has a fixed base regularly available to him in the other territory for the purpose of performing his activities; in that case, only so much of the income as is attributable to that fixed base may be taxed in that other territory; or

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- (b) if his stay in the other territory is for a period or periods exceeding in the aggregate 183 days in any 12-month period; in that case, only so much of the income as is derived from his activities performed in that other territory may be taxed in that other territory.

2. The term “professional services” includes especially independent scientific, literary, artistic, educational or teaching activities as well as the independent activities of physicians, lawyers, engineers, architects, dentists and accountants.

**ARTICLE 15**

**DEPENDENT PERSONAL SERVICES**

1. Subject to the provisions of Articles 16, 18, 19, and 21, salaries, wages and other similar remuneration derived by a resident of a territory in respect of an employment shall be taxable only in that territory unless the employment is exercised in the other territory. If the employment is so exercised, such remuneration as is derived therefrom may be taxed in that other territory.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1, remuneration derived by a resident of a territory in respect of an employment exercised in the other territory shall be taxable only in the first-mentioned territory if:

- (a) the recipient is present in the other territory for a period or periods not exceeding in the aggregate 183 days in any 12-month period commencing or ending in the calendar year concerned; and
- (b) the remuneration is paid by, or on behalf of, an employer who is not a resident of the other territory; and
- (c) the remuneration is not borne by a permanent establishment or a fixed base which the employer has in the other territory.

3. Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this Article, remuneration derived in respect of an employment exercised aboard a ship or aircraft operated in international traffic by an enterprise of a territory may be taxed in that territory.

**ARTICLE 16**

**DIRECTORS' FEES**

Directors' fees and other similar payments derived by a resident of a territory in his capacity as a member of the board of directors of a company which is a resident of the other territory may be taxed in that other territory.

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**ARTICLE 17**

**ENTERTAINERS AND SPORTSPERSONS**

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 14 and 15, income derived by a resident of a territory as an entertainer, such as a theatre, motion picture, radio or television artiste, or a musician, or as a sportsperson, from that resident's personal activities as such exercised in the other territory, may be taxed in that other territory.

2. Where income in respect of personal activities exercised by an entertainer or a sportsperson acting as such accrues not to the entertainer or sportsperson but to another person, that income may, notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 7, 14 and 15, be taxed in the territory in which the activities of the entertainer or sportsperson are exercised.

3. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply to income derived from activities exercised in a territory by an entertainer or a sportsperson if the visit to that territory is wholly or mainly supported by public funds of one or both of the territories, the authorities administering a territory or any subdivision or local authorities or statutory bodies thereof. In such case, the income shall be taxable only in the territory in which the entertainer or the sportsperson is a resident.

**ARTICLE 18**

**PENSIONS**

Pensions and other similar remuneration arising in a territory and paid to a resident of the other territory in consideration of past employment shall be taxable only in the first mentioned territory.

**ARTICLE 19**

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

1. (a) Salaries, wages and other similar remuneration paid by a territory or the authority administering that territory or any subdivision or local authority or statutory body thereof to an individual in respect of services rendered to that territory or subdivision or authority or body shall be taxable only in that territory.
- (b) However, such salaries, wages and other similar remuneration shall be taxable only in the other territory if the services are rendered in that territory and the individual is resident of that territory who:
  - (i) is a citizen of that territory; or

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- (ii) did not become a resident of that territory solely for the purpose of rendering the services.

2. The provisions of Articles 15, 16, 17, and 18 shall apply to salaries, wages, pensions, and other similar remuneration in respect of services rendered in connection with a business carried on by a territory or the authority administering that territory or any subdivision or local authority or statutory body thereof.

**ARTICLE 20**

**STUDENTS**

Payments which a student or business apprentice who is or was immediately before visiting a territory a resident of the other territory and who is present in the first-mentioned territory solely for the purpose of his education or training receives for the purpose of his maintenance, education or training shall not be taxed in that territory, provided that such payments arise from sources outside that territory.

**ARTICLE 21**

**PROFESSORS AND TEACHERS**

A professor or teacher, who makes a temporary visit to a territory for a period not exceeding two years for the purpose of teaching or conducting research at a university, college, school or other education institution, and who is, or immediately before such visit was, a resident of the other territory, shall be exempt from tax in the first-mentioned territory in respect of remuneration for such teaching or research.

**ARTICLE 22**

**OTHER INCOME**

1. Items of income of a resident of a territory, wherever arising, not dealt with in the foregoing Articles of this Agreement shall be taxable only in that territory.

2. The provisions of paragraph 1 shall not apply to income, other than income from immovable property as defined in paragraph 2 of Article 6, if the recipient of such income, being a resident of a territory, carries on business in the other territory through a permanent establishment situated therein, or performs in that other territory independent personal services from a fixed base situated therein, and the right or property in respect of which the income is paid is effectively connected with such permanent establishment or fixed base. In such case the provisions of Article 7 or Article 14, as the case may be, shall apply.

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3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2, items of income of a resident of a territory not dealt with in the foregoing Articles of this Agreement and arising in the other territory may also be taxed in that other territory.

**ARTICLE 23**

**ELIMINATION OF DOUBLE TAXATION**

1. In the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, double taxation shall be avoided as follows:

(a) Where a resident of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2 derives income from the other territory which, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, may be taxed in the other territory, the tax paid in the other territory, whether directly or by deduction, shall be allowed as a credit against the tax payable on the income of that resident in the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, subject to its laws regarding the allowance as a credit against the tax payable in the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2. Where such income is a dividend paid by a company which is a resident of the other territory to a resident of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2 which is a company owning directly or indirectly not less than 10 per cent of the share capital of the first-mentioned company, the credit shall take into account the tax paid by that company on the portion of its profits out of which the dividend is paid.

(b) Where a resident of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2 derives income from the other territory, the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2 shall, subject to the conditions of exemption for income received from outside that territory provided for in the Income Tax Act 1947 of that territory being satisfied, exempt such income from tax in that territory.

2. In the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2, double taxation shall be avoided as follows:

(a) Where a resident of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2 derives income from the other territory, the amount of tax on that income paid in the other territory (but excluding, in the case of dividend, tax paid in respect of the profits out of which the dividend is paid) and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, shall be credited against the tax levied in the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2 imposed on that resident. The amount of credit, however, shall not exceed the amount of the tax in the territory

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referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2 on that income computed in accordance with its taxation laws and regulations.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 2(a), where the income is a dividend paid by a company which is a resident of the other territory to a resident of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2, which is a company owning directly or indirectly not less than 25 per cent of the share capital of the first-mentioned company, the provisions of paragraph 2(a) shall apply as if they did not exclude, in the case of dividends, tax paid in respect of the profits out of which the dividend is paid. In such case, “the amount of tax on that income paid in the other territory” shall include the underlying tax paid by the first-mentioned company on the portion of its profits out of which the dividend is paid. The credit shall not exceed that part of the tax payable in the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2, as computed before the credit is given, which is appropriate to such item of income. This subparagraph shall apply for the first three years for which this Agreement is effective.

3. The terms “tax paid in the other territory, whether directly or by deduction” and “the amount of tax on that income paid in the other territory” stated in paragraphs 1 and 2 respectively shall be deemed to include the amount of tax which would have been paid if the tax had not been exempted or reduced in accordance with laws designed to promote economic development in that other territory. This paragraph shall apply for the first three years for which this Agreement is effective.

**ARTICLE 24**

**NON-DISCRIMINATION**

1. Citizens of a territory or legal persons, partnerships, associations and other entities deriving their status as such from the laws in force in a territory shall not be subjected in the other territory to any taxation or any requirement connected therewith, which is other or more burdensome than the taxation and connected requirements to which citizens of that other territory or legal persons, partnerships, associations and other entities deriving their status as such from the laws in force in that other territory in the same circumstances, in particular with respect to residence, are or may be subjected.

2. The taxation on a permanent establishment which an enterprise of a territory has in the other territory shall not be less favourably levied in that other territory than the taxation levied on enterprises of that other territory carrying on the same activities.

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3. Nothing in this Article shall be construed as obliging a territory to grant to:

- (a) residents of the other territory any personal allowances, reliefs and reductions for tax purposes which it grants to its own residents; or
- (b) citizens of the other territory any personal allowances, reliefs and reductions for tax purposes which it grants to its own citizens who are not residents of that territory or to such other persons as may be specified in the taxation laws of that territory.

4. Enterprises of a territory, the capital of which is wholly or partly owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by one or more residents of the other territory, shall not be subjected in the first-mentioned territory to any taxation or any requirement connected therewith which is other or more burdensome than the taxation and connected requirements to which other similar enterprises of the first-mentioned territory are or may be subjected.

5. Where a territory grants tax incentives to its citizens or legal persons, partnerships, associations and other entities deriving their status as such from the laws in force in that territory designed to promote economic or social development in accordance with the policy and criteria of a territory, it shall not be construed as discrimination under this Article.

6. The provisions of this Article shall apply to the taxes which are the subject of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 25**

**MUTUAL AGREEMENT PROCEDURE**

1. Where a person considers that the actions of one or both of the territories result or will result for him in taxation not in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, he may, irrespective of the remedies provided by the domestic law of those territories, present his case to the competent authority of the territory of which he is a resident or, if his case comes under paragraph 1 of Article 24, to that of the territory of which he is a citizen or legal person, partnership, association and other entity deriving its status as such from the laws in force in that territory. The case must be presented within 3 years from the first notification of the action resulting in taxation not in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement.

2. The competent authority shall endeavour, if the objection appears to it to be justified and if it is not itself able to arrive at a satisfactory solution, to resolve the case by mutual agreement with the competent authority of the other territory, with a view to the avoidance of taxation which is not in accordance with the Agreement. Any agreement reached shall be implemented notwithstanding any time limits in the domestic law of the territories.

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3. The competent authorities of the territories shall endeavour to resolve by mutual agreement any difficulties or doubts arising as to the interpretation or application of the Agreement. They may also consult together for the elimination of double taxation in cases not provided for in the Agreement.

4. The competent authorities of the territories may communicate with each other directly for the purpose of reaching an agreement in the sense of the preceding paragraphs.

**ARTICLE 26**

**EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

1. The competent authorities of the territories shall exchange such information as is foreseeably relevant for carrying out the provisions of this Agreement or to the administration or enforcement of the domestic laws concerning taxes of every kind and description imposed on behalf of the territories, or of their subdivisions or local authorities, insofar as the taxation thereunder is not contrary to the Agreement. The exchange of information is not restricted by Articles 1 and 2.

2. Any information received under paragraph 1 by a territory shall be treated as secret in the same manner as information obtained under the domestic laws of that territory and shall be disclosed only to persons or authorities (including courts and administrative bodies) concerned with the assessment or collection of, the enforcement or prosecution in respect of, the determination of appeals in relation to the taxes referred to in paragraph 1, or the oversight of the above. Such persons or authorities shall use the information only for such purposes. They may disclose the information in public court proceedings or in judicial decisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, information received by a territory may be used for other purposes when such information may be used for such other purposes under the laws of both territories and the competent authority of the supplying territory authorises such use.

3. In no case shall the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 be construed so as to impose on a territory the obligation:

- (a) to carry out administrative measures at variance with the laws and administrative practice of that or of the other territory;
- (b) to supply information which is not obtainable under the laws or in the normal course of the administration of that or of the other territory;
- (c) to supply information which would disclose any trade, business, industrial, commercial or professional secret or trade process, or information the disclosure of which would be contrary to public policy (ordre public).

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4. If information is requested by a territory in accordance with this Article, the other territory shall use its information gathering measures to obtain the requested information, even though that other territory may not need such information for its own tax purposes. The obligation contained in the preceding sentence is subject to the limitations of paragraph 3 but in no case shall such limitations be construed to permit a territory to decline to supply information solely because it has no domestic interest in such information.

5. In no case shall the provisions of paragraph 3 be construed to permit a territory to decline to supply information solely because the information is held by a bank, other financial institution, nominee or person acting in an agency or a fiduciary capacity or because it relates to ownership interests in a person.

**ARTICLE 27**

**ENTITLEMENT TO BENEFITS**

1. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Agreement, a benefit under this Agreement shall not be granted in respect of an item of income if it is reasonable to conclude, having regard to all relevant facts and circumstances, that obtaining that benefit was one of the principal purposes of any arrangement or transaction that resulted directly or indirectly in that benefit, unless it is established that granting that benefit in these circumstances would be in accordance with the object and purpose of the relevant provisions of this Agreement.

2. Where this Agreement provides (with or without other conditions) that income from sources in a territory shall be exempt from tax, or taxed at a reduced rate, in that territory and under the laws in force in the other territory the said income is subject to tax by reference to the amount thereof which is remitted to or received in that other territory and not by reference to the full amount thereof, then the exemption or reduction of tax to be allowed under this Agreement in the first-mentioned territory shall apply to so much of the income as is remitted to or received in that other territory.

3. Paragraph 2 shall not be construed to apply when the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2 exempts income received from outside its territory under paragraph 1(b) of Article 23. In such a case, the exemption or reduction of tax to be allowed under this Agreement in the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2 shall apply to the full amount of income from sources in the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2 that is exempted from tax in the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2.

THE SCHEDULE — *continued***ARTICLE 28****ENTRY INTO FORCE**

1. The Taipei Representative Office in Singapore and the Singapore Trade Office in Taipei shall notify each other in writing of the completion of the procedures required in their respective territories for the entry into force of this Agreement. The Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the later of these written notifications.

2. (a) In the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2, the provisions of the Agreement shall have effect:
- (i) in respect of taxes withheld at source, on amounts liable to be paid, deemed paid or paid (whichever is the earliest) on or after 1 January of the calendar year next following the year in which the Agreement enters into force;
  - (ii) in respect of tax chargeable (other than taxes withheld at source) for any year of assessment beginning on or after 1 January of the second calendar year following the year in which the Agreement enters into force; and
  - (iii) in respect of Article 26 (Exchange of Information), for requests made and in any other case, for assistance provided on or after the date of entry into force of the Agreement concerning information for taxes relating to taxable periods beginning on or after 1 January 1982; or where there is no taxable period, for all charges to tax arising on or after 1 January 1982.
- (b) In the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2, the provisions of the Agreement shall have effect:
- (i) in respect of taxes due or withheld at source on income payable on or after 1 January of the calendar year next following the year in which the Agreement enters into force;
  - (ii) in respect of other taxes chargeable on income of taxable periods beginning on or after 1 January of the calendar year next following the year in which the Agreement enters into force; and
  - (iii) in respect of Article 26 (Exchange of Information), for requests made and in any other case, for assistance provided on or after the date of entry into force of the Agreement concerning information for taxes relating to taxable periods beginning on or after 1 January 1982; or where there is no taxable period, for all charges to tax arising on or after 1 January 1982.

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3. The Exchange of Letters between both territories signed and exchanged on December 30, 1981, and its Annex, the Agreement for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, shall cease to have effect for all cases covered by this Agreement as from the date on which the provisions of this Agreement commence to have effect.

**ARTICLE 29**

**TERMINATION**

This Agreement shall remain in force indefinitely but either the Taipei Representative Office in Singapore or the Singapore Trade Office in Taipei may terminate the Agreement by giving written notice of termination at least six months before the end of any calendar year after the expiration of a period of five years from the date on which the Agreement enters into force. In such event, the Agreement shall cease to be effective:

- (a) In the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(a) of Article 2:
  - (i) in respect of taxes withheld at source, on amounts liable to be paid, deemed paid or paid (whichever is the earliest) after the end of that calendar year in which the notice is given;
  - (ii) in respect of tax chargeable (other than taxes withheld at source) for any year of assessment beginning on or after 1 January in the second calendar year following the year in which the notice is given; and
  - (iii) in all other cases, including requests made under Article 26 (Exchange of Information) after the end of that calendar year in which the notice is given.
- (b) In the case of the territory referred to in paragraph 3(b) of Article 2:
  - (i) in respect of taxes due or withheld at source, on income payable on or after 1 January of the calendar year next following the year in which the notice is given;
  - (ii) in respect of other taxes chargeable, on income of taxable periods beginning on or after 1 January of the calendar year next following the year in which the notice is given; and
  - (iii) in all other cases, including requests made under Article 26 (Exchange of Information) after the end of that calendar year in which the notice is given.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorised thereto, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at Singapore on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 2025 in the English language.

**For the Singapore Trade Office  
in Taipei**

**For the Taipei Representative Office  
in Singapore**

Yip Wei Kiat  
Trade Representative

Dr. Tung Chen-yuan  
Representative

Made on 9 February 2026.

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