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INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS
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(SECTION 2)

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS
(IMMUNITIES AND PRIVILEGES)
(INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND)
ORDER 2008

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Citation

1. This Order is the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (International Monetary Fund) Order 2008.

Definitions

2. In this Order —

“Deputy Resident Representative” means the Deputy Resident Representative of the Fund in Singapore;

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“Fund” means the International Monetary Fund;

“member of the professional staff”, in relation to the Fund,
means —

- (a) the Resident Representative;
- (b) the Deputy Resident Representative; or
- (c) any other officer or employee of the Fund who, for the time being —
 - (i) is assigned or appointed by the Fund to the Resident Representative Office; and
 - (ii) is designated as such by the Fund in consultation with the Government;

“Resident Representative” means the Resident Representative of the Fund in Singapore;

“Resident Representative Office” means the Resident Representative Office of the Fund in Singapore.

Immunities and privileges in addition to those previously conferred

3. This Order does not affect —

- (a) the Bretton Woods Agreements Order 1966; and
- (b) every other written law which sets out the status, immunities and privileges of the Fund, or any of its officers and employees, for the purpose of giving effect to the Articles of Agreement of the Fund.

Status of International Monetary Fund

4. The International Monetary Fund is an organisation of which the Government and the governments of foreign sovereign Powers are members.

Immunities and privileges of Fund in relation to Resident Representative Office

5. The Fund has, in relation to the Resident Representative Office, the like inviolability of its premises as is accorded in respect of the premises of an envoy of a foreign sovereign Power accredited to the Republic of Singapore.

Immunities and privileges of members of professional staff of Fund

6.—(1) A member of the professional staff of the Fund enjoys immunity from personal arrest or detention and from seizure of his or her personal baggage, except insofar as in any particular case that immunity is waived by the Fund.

(2) A member of the professional staff of the Fund enjoys the like exemption or relief from the following taxes as is accorded to an envoy of a foreign sovereign Power accredited to the Republic of Singapore, except insofar as in any particular case any such privilege is waived by the Fund:

- (a) all vehicle taxes (including any additional registration fee and any fee for a certificate of entitlement);
- (b) radio and television licence fees;
- (c) subject to sub-paragraphs (3) and (4), customs duties on all dutiable goods;
- (d) where the member of the professional staff is the Resident Representative, foreign domestic worker levy in respect of one foreign domestic worker employed by the member.

(3) Any member of the professional staff of the Fund who imports for his or her personal use any furniture and effects more than 6 months after he or she first takes up his or her appointment in Singapore may not enjoy the exemption or relief from the tax mentioned in sub-paragraph (2)(c) in respect of the furniture and effects.

(4) Where any member of the professional staff of the Fund has enjoyed the exemption or relief from the tax mentioned in sub-paragraph (2)(c) in respect of any motor vehicle, he or she

does not enjoy that exemption or relief in respect of any other motor vehicle imported by him or her within 4 years from the date on which he or she imported the firstmentioned motor vehicle.

(5) Despite anything in this Order, no immunity or privilege under this paragraph may be enjoyed by any person who is a citizen or permanent resident of Singapore.

Non-application of Part 4 of Second Schedule to Act

7. Part 4 of the Second Schedule to the Act does not apply to extend any immunity or privilege conferred by this Order to any person.

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