

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (IMMUNITIES AND PRIVILEGES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES) ORDER, 1997

S.I. 61/1997

(SECTION 3)

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| Citation. | 1. This Order may be cited as the International Organizations (Immunities and Privileges of the Organization of American States) Order, 1997. |
| The Organization. | 2. The Organization of American States (in this Order referred to as “the Organization”) is an Organization of which the Government of The Bahamas and the governments of foreign sovereign Powers are members. |
| Legal capacity. | 3. (1) The Organization shall have the legal capacities of a body corporate and, except in so far as in any particular case it has expressly waived its immunity, immunity from suit and legal process.

(2) No waiver of immunity shall be deemed to extend to any measure of execution. |
| Official archives and premises. | 4. The Organization shall have the like inviolability of official archives and premises occupied as offices as is accorded in respect of the official archives and premises of an envoy of a foreign sovereign Power accredited to Her Majesty. |
| Relief from taxes. | 5. The Organization shall have the like exemption or relief from taxes and rates, other than taxes on the importation of goods, as is accorded to a foreign sovereign Power. |
| Exemption from taxes. | 6. The Organization shall have exemption from taxes on the importation of goods directly imported by the Organization for its official use in The Bahamas or for exportation, or on the importation of any publications of the Organization directly imported by it, such exemption to be subject to compliance with such conditions as the Comptroller of Customs may prescribe for the protection of the revenue. |
| Importation of goods. | 7. The Organization shall have exemption from prohibitions and restrictions on importation or exportation in the case of goods directly imported or exported by |