STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 1276

DEFENCE

The International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) Order 2017

Made - - - -	*13th December 2017*
Coming into force - -	*14th December 2017*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 13th day of December 2017

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

A draft of this Order has in accordance with section 1(4) of the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations Act 1964(**1**) been laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament;

Her Majesty, on the advice of Her Privy Council and in exercise of the power conferred on Her by section 1 of the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations Act 1964, makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) Order 2017 and shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

Designation of headquarters

2. The international headquarters and defence organisations specified in the Schedule to this Order are hereby designated for the purposes of the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations Act 1964.

(**1**) 1964 c. 5.

Inviolability of archives

3. The headquarters and organisations specified in the Schedule to this Order shall have the like privileges as respects inviolability of official archives as are accorded to an envoy of a foreign sovereign power accredited to Her Majesty.

Legal capacity

4. Each of the headquarters specified in Part I of the Schedule to this Order shall have the legal capacity of a body corporate.

Extent of immunity from legal process

5.—(1) Each of the headquarters specified in Part I of the Schedule to this Order shall have immunity from any legal process subjecting any funds or other property belonging to it or under its control to any measure of execution or detention.

(2) The preceding paragraph shall not prevent—

(a) the seizure of any article connected with an offence; or

(b) the seizure of any article under the laws relating to customs or excise.

Revocation

6. The International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) Order 1965(**2**), The International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1987(**3**) and The International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 2009(**4**) are hereby revoked.

Ceri King
Deputy Clerk of the Privy Council

(**2**) S.I. 1965/1535
(**3**) S.I. 1987/927
(**4**) S.I. 2009/704