

Council Regulation (EC) No 1186/2009 of 16 November 2009 setting up a Community system of reliefs from customs duty (codified version)

TITLE II

**RELIEF FROM IMPORT DUTY**

CHAPTER XX

**Goods to be used by monarchs or Heads of State**

*Article 85*

The following shall be admitted free of import duties, within the limits and under the conditions laid down by the competent authorities:

- (a) gifts to reigning monarchs and Heads of State;
- (b) goods to be used or consumed by reigning monarchs and Heads of State of third countries, or persons officially representing them, during their official stay in the customs territory of the Community. However, relief may be made subject, by the Member State of importation, to reciprocal treatment.

The provisions of the first paragraph are also applicable to persons enjoying prerogatives at international level analogous to those enjoyed by reigning monarchs or Heads of State.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Council Regulation (EC) No 1186/2009. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Regulation excluded by S.I. 1995/2518, regs. 133AD(a), 133L (as inserted) by [S.I. 2021/715 reg. 4347](#)