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The International Maritime Organisation  
(Immunities and Privileges) Order 2002

PART 5

*Experts*

**19.**—(1) Except in so far as in any particular case any privilege or immunity is waived by the Organisation, experts (other than officers of the Organisation) serving on any committee of the Organisation or employed on missions on behalf of the Organisation shall, so far as is necessary for the effective exercise of their functions, enjoy:—

- (a) in respect of words spoken or written and all acts done or omitted to be done by them in the performance of their official functions, the like immunity from suit and legal process as is accorded to the head of a diplomatic mission;
- (b) while exercising their functions and during their journeys in connection with service on such committees or missions, the like immunity from personal arrest or detention and the like inviolability for all papers and documents relating to the work on which they are engaged for the Organisation as is accorded to the head of a diplomatic mission;
- (c) while exercising their functions and during their journeys in connection with service on such committees or missions, the like exemptions and privileges in respect of their personal baggage as in accordance with Article 36 of the 1961 Convention Articles are accorded to a diplomatic agent.

(2) Part IV of Schedule 1 to the Act shall not operate so as to confer any privilege or immunity on the official staff or on families of experts to whom the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article apply.