

Privileges and Immunities

- 5.1 The Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention") to which Canada became a party on 22 January 1948, will apply in respect of the Office.
- 5.2 For the purposes of Sections 2, 3, 4, 7 and 8 of Article II of the Convention, the expressions "property", "assets", "archives", and "publications" shall include audio-visual materials owned by the United Nations or such materials in the custody of the Office. The immunity from censorship provided under Section 9 of the Convention shall extend to audio-visual materials in the custody of the Office. Incoming and outgoing audio-visual materials to and from the Office shall be exempt from all customs duties and quantitative restrictions. No delays shall be imposed on the entry or exit of such materials.
- 5.3 a) The Secretary-General, on the advice of the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) and with the concurrence of the receiving State, shall designate the Head of the Office as having the status of an official of the United Nations. The Head of the Office will have the privileges and immunities described in Section 18 of Article V of the Convention.
- b) The Secretary-General may also designate, in similar fashion during the course of this Agreement, appropriate additional professional members of the staff of the Office as having the status of experts on mission for the United Nations. These persons will have the privileges and immunities described in Section 22 of Article VI of the Convention.