

be accorded, notwithstanding that the persons concerned are no longer engaged in the discharge of such duties.

Section 14

Privileges and immunities are accorded to the representatives of Members, not for the personal benefit of the individuals themselves, but in order to safeguard the independent exercise of their functions in connexion with the Council. Consequently, a Member not only has the right but is under a duty to waive the immunity of its representatives in any case where, in the opinion of the Member, the immunity would impede the course of justice, and where it can be waived without prejudice to the purpose for which the immunity is accorded.

Section 15

The provisions of sections 12 and 13 are not applicable in relation to the authorities of a State of which the person is a national or of which he is or has been a representative.

ARTICLE VI

OFFICIALS OF THE COUNCIL

Section 16

The Council will specify the categories of officials to which this Article shall apply.

The Secretary General shall communicate to the Members of the Council the names of the officials included in these categories.

Section 17

Officials of the Council shall:

- (a) be immune from legal process in respect of words spoken or written and all acts performed by them in their official capacity and within the limits of their authority;
- (b) be exempt from taxation in respect of the salaries and emoluments paid to them by the Council;
- (c) be immune, together with their spouses and relatives dependent on them, from immigration restrictions and alien registration;
- (d) be accorded the same privileges in respect of exchange facilities as are accorded to officials of comparable rank of diplomatic missions;
- (e) be given, together with their spouses and relatives dependent on them, the same repatriation facilities in time of international crises as officials of comparable rank of diplomatic missions;
- (f) have the right to import free of duty their furniture and effects at the time of first taking up their post in the country in question, and to return such furniture and effects free of duty to their country of domicile on the termination of their functions.

Section 18

In addition to the privileges and immunities specified in section 17, the Secretary General of the Council shall be accorded in respect of himself, his spouse and children under the age of 21, the privileges, immunities, exemptions and facilities accorded to heads of diplomatic missions in conformity with international law.