

may call on the services of Federal-Provincial Coordination Division of the Department to arrange the details of such meetings.

PART III PRIVILEGES GRANTED BY PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS

Since foreign diplomats reside for the most part in Ontario and Quebec, the procedures outlined herein are chiefly those pertaining to these provinces. For detailed information concerning the procedures followed in other provinces, the consulates should contact the Dean of the Consular Corps.

(a) Exemption from the provincial sales tax (diplomatic and consular officers)

(i) The Government of Ontario grants exemption from its retail sales tax on purchases made in that province by diplomatic officers and career consular officers of foreign countries, and by their spouses. This exemption is granted at the time of purchase on presentation of Ontario sales tax exemption cards.

Procedure for obtaining the exemption card

Upon receipt of the application for identity card (see Part II (a) 2), Protocol Division will prepare for all eligible persons residing in Ontario an exemption card to be forwarded at the same time as the identity card. The holder of the exemption card should then affix his signature at the appropriate place and forward it, for validation to:

The Director of the Ontario Retail Sales Tax Branch,
Office of the Comptroller of Revenue,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, M2A 2X8

Once validated, the card will be returned to the holder. To persons eligible for exemption from Ontario retail sales tax, Protocol will forward, at the same time as the unsigned card, a letter valid for one month which may be used pending the return of the validated card.

(ii) To be exempted from the tax on Telegraphic and Telephone Services, a special form (Ext. 896) available at Protocol, Department of External Affairs, has to be filled and forwarded to the Ontario Comptroller of Revenue.

(iii) The Government of Ontario grants exemption from the provincial gasoline sales tax to career officers included in the Diplomatic and Consular List and performing their duties in Ontario, where the gasoline so purchased is for their