

L.N. 88 of 1966

DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITIES AND PRIVILEGES ACT 1962²Diplomatic Immunities and Privileges
(African Groundnut Council) Order, 1966*Commencement : 3rd November 1966*

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 11 (1) and (2) of the Diplomatic Immunities and Privileges Act 1962, as modified by the Constitution (Suspension and Modification) Decree, (Nos. 1-9) 1966, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Federal Executive Council has made the following Order :—

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| 1. This Order may be cited as the Diplomatic Immunities and Privileges (African Groundnut Council) Order 1966; and shall apply throughout Nigeria. | Citation and Application. |
| 2. The African Groundnut Council (hereinafter referred to as the "Council") is an organisation of which Nigeria and foreign Powers are members. | International Membership. |
| 3. The offices and property of the Council shall be exempt from the payment of non-beneficial portion of rates and taxes, that is property rates based on rateable value of the property and other municipal taxes normally paid by property owners but which are not charges levied for specific services rendered. | Taxes and Rates. |
| 4. The Council shall have exemption from taxes on the importation of goods and equipment directly imported by the Council for its official use in Nigeria or for exportation or on the importation of any publications of the Council directly imported by it, subject in all cases to compliance with such conditions as may be prescribed for the protection of public health, the prevention of disease in plants and animals or otherwise in the public interest. | Customs Duties. |
| 5. The property and assets of the Council shall be exempt from search, requisition, confiscation. Such property and assets shall however be subject to the laws of Nigeria for the purpose of public safety or public order. | Property and Assets. |
| 6. Except in so far as in any particular case any privilege or immunity is waived by the member governments, whom they represent, representative of member governments of the Council shall enjoy personal immunity from suit and legal process while attending meetings of the Council from the time of their arrival in Nigeria up till the conclusion of any such meetings. | Personal Immunities and Privileges of Representatives. |
| 7—(1) Except in so far as in any particular case any privilege or immunity is waived by the Chief Executive or Administrative Head of the Council, a non-Nigerian Chief Executive or Administrative Head of the Council shall enjoy :— | Immunities and Privileges of Chief Executive or Administrative Head of the Council. |
| (a) Exemption from import duties ; | |
| (b) personal immunity for acts performed in pursuance of his duties as the Chief Executive or Administrative Head of the Council. | |

(2) Except in so far as in any particular case any privilege or immunity is waived by the Chief Executive or Administrative Head of the Council non-Nigerian permanent staff of the council shall enjoy exemption from payment of income tax in respect of the emoluments received by them as officers and servants of the Council.

MADE at Lagos this 17th day of October 1966.

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Ministry of External Affairs

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