



Diplomatic Protocol Act

I

Definitions

- §1-1 When used in this Act, the term professional foreign service officer means career officials and special representatives.
- §1-2 The term Prince means the sovereign of the Hutt River Province Principality.
- §1-3 Career officers at diplomatic stations may be Ambassadors, Ministers, Chargé d'affaires, Minister Councillors, Embassy Councillors, Embassy Secretaries or Attachées.
- §1-4 Career officials at consular stations may be Consuls General, Consuls, Vice-Consuls or Attachées.

II

Functions of the foreign service

- §2-1 The foreign service is charged with preserving and promoting Hutt River Province Principality's interests in her relations with foreign countries and providing advice, aid and protection for subjects of the Hutt River Province Principality in their relations with foreign authorities, persons and institutions.
- §2-2 The functions of the foreign service shall be carried out by the foreign service stations and the Ministry so designated by the Prince.
The Ministry concerned shall supervise the activities of the foreign service and ensure that statutes and regulations are adhered to. The Prince issues the detailed regulations for the foreign service.

III

The foreign service station

- §3-1 The foreign service station may be an Embassy, Legation, consular station, Permanent Delegation or such other foreign service agency as has been or may be established in the course of international relations.
- §3-2 Embassies and Legations are diplomatic stations. The same applies to other foreign service stations whose head enjoys diplomatic privileges. Consular stations may be Consulates-General, Consulates, Vice-Consulates or Honorary Consulates.
- §3-3 The Embassy or Legation shall supervise the consular service in the country or countries to which the head of the station is accredited or appointed.
The Ministry concerned or the Prince may instruct a diplomatic station to supervise the consular service in other countries as well.

§3-4 The personnel at foreign service stations includes:
Foreign service officials, special representatives or honorary foreign service officials; other representatives who according to decision of the Ministry concerned are attached to the station; and office staff

IV Diplomatic appointment

§4-1 Career officials of a rank not lower than Minister Councillor, Embassy Counsellor, Consul, Vice-Consul or Honorary Consul are appointed and dismissed by Royal Decree. Other officials are appointed and dismissed by the Prince or the Ministry concerned.

§4-2 The Prince may instruct the head of an Embassy or Legation to act at the same time as the head of a consular station within his district.

§4-3 Foreign service officials may not accept any diplomatic, consular or other official position offered them by a foreign government or international organization without the consent of the Prince or the Ministry.

V Abuse of authority, privileges and immunities

§5-1 A professional foreign service officer must not on his own behalf or that of others engage in trade or any other commercial activity which are not in accordance with the regulations issued by the Prince.

§5-2 Foreign service officials may not participate on behalf of the Prince or the Ministry in serious discussions, negotiations or other serious activities with foreign governments, companies or organizations without the consent from the Prince or the Ministry concerned.

§5-3 Foreign service officials are not entitled to disregard local law or to interfere in the internal affairs of the host state or other states while in transit.

Adopted by the Cabinet of the Hutt River Province Principality

Prince Leonard Casley
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