

PROTOCOL ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Article 291 of the EC Treaty

"the Community shall enjoy in the territories of the Member States such privileges and immunities as are necessary for the performance of its tasks"

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Protocol of 8 April 1965 (PPI)

Establishes (amongst other) the rules on tax exemption

- for the Community Institutions
- for the Institutions' officials

Terms to be confirmed by an agreement

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Community Institutions are exempted

- from all direct taxes
- from VAT and other indirect taxes on substantial purchases made for their official use

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Implementing agreement for determining

- the method of exemption for VAT and other indirect taxes (direct exemption/ reimbursement)
- the threshold for exempted purchases
- exemption modalities for local/intra-Community purchases