

ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES
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GENERAL SECRETARIAT

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
AND THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES
FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONING IN SAINT VINCENT AND THE
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WHEREAS:

Article 119 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, as amended by the Protocol of Buenos Aires, signed on February 27, 1967, at the Third Special Inter-American Conference, states that

"The Secretary General shall:

- a) Establish such offices of the General Secretariat as are necessary to accomplish its purposes; and
- b) Determine the number of officers and employees of the General Secretariat, appoint them, regulate their powers and duties, and fix their remuneration.

The Secretary General shall exercise this authority in accordance with such general standards and budgetary provisions as may be established by the General Assembly;"

Article 139 of the above-cited Charter, as amended, provides that "The Organization of American States shall enjoy in the territory of each Member such legal capacity, privileges and immunities as are necessary for the exercise of its functions and the accomplishment of its purposes";

The Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines joined the Organization of American States, depositing the Instrument of Ratification of the Charter of the Organization of American States, on December 3, 1981.

For these purposes, it is necessary to formulate an Agreement, in order to specify the methods of cooperation between the parties and to determine the conditions, facilities, prerogatives and immunities that the Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines will accord the General Secretariat, with respect to the functioning of the Office.

THEREFORE:

The Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, hereinafter called "The Government", represented by the Hon. James F. Mitchell, Prime Minister and Minister of Finance and Foreign Affairs, and the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States, hereinafter called "The General Secretariat", represented by the Secretary General of the Organization, Ambassador Joao Clemente Baena Soares,

AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING

USE OF TERMS

Article 10. In this Agreement:

- a) "Archives" comprises all correspondence, manuscripts, photographs, films, tape recordings, and all audiovisual documents and materials of any nature that are in the possession of or belong to the Office of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- b) "Assistant Secretary General" means the Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of American States.
- c) "Competent Authority" means national or other authorities of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines according to the law of the land.
- d) "Director" means the designated Representative of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- e) "General Secretariat" means the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States.
- f) "Government" means the Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- g) "Member of the family" means relatives by consanguinity or affinity of the personnel of the Office and of the General Secretariat, regardless of their grade, and who depend on the same, particularly the spouse, children and grandchildren of the official as well as the parents and brothers or sisters of the official and his spouse.
- h) "Office" means the Office of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- i) "Office and General Secretariat Personnel" means all functionaries of the General Secretariat, of any rank or hierarchy, including the administrative and service staff, regardless of their nationality.
- j) "Official of the Office" means any member of the international staff of the General Secretariat, including personnel under contract by the General Secretariat, stationed in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines for a period of six months or more.
- k) "Officials on Missions" means members of the international staff of the General Secretariat, including personnel under contract by the General Secretariat, assigned to perform their duties in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines for periods of less than six months.
- l) "Organization" means the Organization of American States.
- m) "Personnel of the General Secretariat" means all functionaries of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States, of any rank or hierarchy, including the administrative and service staff, regardless of their services, as well as all functionaries of any rank or hierarchy of Specialized Organizations of the Organization of American States and the technicians, experts and consultants of the Organization and of centers or entities which are part of it.

- n) "Property" means furniture, vehicles and other means of transportation, equipment and working elements, right of any nature, funds of any kind of currency, incomes and donations, operations and other assets and, in general, all that would constitute the heritage of a natural or juridical person.
- o) "Secretary General" means the Secretary General of the Organization of American States.

PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONING OF THE OFFICE

Article 2 The purpose of the Office shall be:

- a) To represent the General Secretariat before the competent authorities. To serve as the means of promoting, supervising and coordinating all activities and operations of the General Secretariat in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- b) To promote the exchange of information and experience and to encourage coordination with other international organizations, as well as with other organs, organizations, and bodies of the Inter-American System.
- c) To disseminate among the various Government agencies the programs and activities of the Organization and to supervise the activities of public information of the General Secretariat in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- d) To inform the national public of the principles, means and objectives of the Organization of American States.
- e) To promote knowledge of Inter-American and Caribbean art and culture, through the sponsorship and interchange of expositions, conferences and other activities between the member countries of the Organization of American States.
- f) To represent the General Secretariat or act as observer of same in seminars and conferences in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- g) To dedicate, on a priority basis, the technical assistance and direct service programs of the General Secretariat to the economic, social, educational, scientific, technological, and cultural development objectives of the Government in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- h) To collaborate with the fellowship, professorship and the extra-continental training programs.
- i) To cooperate in the printing, promotion and distribution of the publications of the General Secretariat.
- j) To maintain relations with Government officials, assisting them to the extent of its ability, and to maintain relations with private national entities, informing them of the work being done by the Organization of American States.

- k) To collaborate in conferences, meetings, congresses, seminars and other gatherings, whether national or international, and to participate in Inter-American book festivals and other cultural gatherings.
- l) To maintain close relations with youth organizations.
- m) To contract personnel for the General Secretariat.
- n) To give advice to officials of the Organization of American States who travel on official missions, and other activities of similar nature or that coincide with the general purpose of the Organization.

Article 3 The Office shall be an integral part of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States, which shall appoint its staff.

Article 4 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall enjoy independence and freedom of action in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines such as is appropriate to an international organization, in accordance with international custom.

Article 5 In the territory of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the Organization of American States, the Office shall enjoy such legal capacity, privileges and immunities as are necessary for the exercise of its functions and the accomplishment of its purposes, within the limits prescribed in this Agreement.

LEGAL CAPACITY

Article 6 The Office shall have juridical personality in the territory of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and shall have legal capacity (a) to make contracts, (b) to acquire and dispose of all forms of property, and (c) to institute legal and administrative proceedings.

PROPERTY, FUNDS AND ASSETS

Article 7 The Office, as well as its property, funds and assets, shall enjoy in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines immunity from judicial and administrative process, except in those particular cases in which such immunity is expressly waived by the Director of the Office, with the due authorization of the Secretary General of the Organization of American States.

Article 8 The premises, properties and archives of the Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall be inviolable, wherever they may be located within the territory of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and in possession of any person; they shall enjoy immunity from seizure, requisition, expropriation, censorship, search, confiscation, and any other form of intervention, either of an executive, administrative, judicial, or legislative nature. The consent of the Director or the Officer in charge of the Office with due authorization of the Secretary General must be given, before agents of the Government may enter the premises of the Office, the General Secretariat and the Organization.

Article 9 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization:

- a) May hold funds in any kind of currency, coin, paper, checks, and foreign exchange of any kind, or have these funds deposited in banking, financial, or any public or private, civilian or commercial institutions, as well as keep accounts in any type of currency in said institutions.

- b) Shall be free to transfer their funds in coin, paper, or foreign exchange abroad, or from one place to another within the territory of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines as well as to convert them into other currencies, without being subject to the limitations, official rates of exchange, or other restrictions, or measures of control or inspection that may be established. In the exercise of the rights set forth in this article, the Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall not be subject to inspections, moratoria, or other Government rules or regulations. However, they shall commit themselves to pay due attention to any objection that the Government may make, provided that said objection does not imply a detriment to the interests of the Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization.

Article 11 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization, their properties, premises and archives, shall be exempt from all taxes and contributions, either of a national and regional nature, as well as municipal taxes and contributions on or affecting:

- a) Movable or real property or its equivalent value, as well as purchases and sales of movable or real property, including taxes on registration and records;
- b) Air, ocean, river, or land transportation tickets acquired either for local or international travel;
- c) Telex, cable, teletype, and other similar communication services;
- d) Telephone services, including long distance and international calls;
- e) Insurance policies;
- f) Banking operations, including loans.
- g) Accommodation, hotel and boarding house costs for persons lodging on business of the Office, the General Secretariat, or the Organization;
- h) License plates for vehicles and means of transportation, which shall be special license tags as appropriate for international organizations;
- i) Construction of buildings on its property, including building permits and other similar taxes.

Article 12 Because the Organization is a non-profit agency, under public international law, whose activities are designed to benefit the country and the national collectivity, the Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization are exonerated from payment of:

- a) Taxes on public lighting services, cleaning, sweeping, care of gardens and other similar services with respect to the premises they own or rent.
- b) "Contributions" or "improvement taxes" affecting the premises they own, on account of the execution of public or municipal works.

- c) Taxes on storage and port movement services involving goods they import for their own use or for delivery to national institutions.

Article 13 For lighting, water, telephone, telex, cable, telegram, and post service, the Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall be charged and shall pay no more than those rates applicable to entities of the Government.

Article 14 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall be exempt from customs duties and any other assessments, prohibitions, and restrictions on goods and archives that they may import or export for the conduct of their operations. It is understood, however, that articles imported under such exemption may be sold duty-free and reimbursed only after the requirements for such sales established by the Government have been satisfied or special authorization from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been obtained. These privileges shall be extended to articles and archives, whether or not they are the property of the Office, the General Secretariat or the Organization, imported to be donated or loaned to the Government, or to public or private agencies, in connection with their institutional purposes.

Article 15 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall be exempt from every type of taxation on judicial or administrative process, as well as any legal acts including business transactions. Moreover, donations and loans that they may, in compliance with their official purposes, grant, or obtain from public or private institutions or natural persons, on funds or articles that are their property, or that may be delivered or entrusted to them to be donated or loaned, shall be exempt.

Article 16 When, for any reason, the Office, the General Secretariat or the Organization has paid taxes, customs duties charges, or assessments and services from which they are exempted by this Agreement, the Government shall take the necessary steps to ensure the return of the sums paid for such taxes.

Article 17 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall be exempt from any obligation concerning the withholding or the collection of any taxes or assessments.

FACILITIES REGARDING COMMUNICATIONS

Article 18 For its official communications, both national and international, the Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall enjoy, in the territory of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, treatment no less favourable than that accorded by the Government to any diplomatic mission or any other international organization, with regard to priorities, schedules, rates and direct or indirect taxes for cables, telex, telegrams, telephone services, or other communications and to special rates for information sent to the press, radio, and television. No restrictions shall be placed on the correspondence and other official communications of the Office, the General Secretariat and the Organization.

Article 19 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall have the right to use codes, as well as to send and receive correspondence by courier or in sealed pouches, enjoying in that respect the same privileges and immunities as diplomatic mail, couriers and pouches.

Article 20 The Government shall recognize postage-free privileges for the correspondence, printed matter and parcels sent by the Office, the General Secretariat and the Organization, as set forth in Article 142 of the Charter of the Organization of American States.

PRIVILEGES, IMMUNITIES AND FACILITIES

A. OFFICE AND GENERAL SECRETARIAT PERSONNEL

Article 21 The Office shall be supervised by a Director, who shall act as its legal representative.

Article 22 The Office and General Secretariat personnel shall enjoy immunity against any personal arrest, detention or administrative or judicial proceedings related to their official-acts and deeds and related to any oral or written statements they may make in the performance of their duties, even after such duties have ended. However, the Secretary General of the Organization of American States may waive such immunity in such instances as he may deem necessary.

Article 23 The Office and General Secretariat personnel shall enjoy inviolability of their equipment, papers, and documents, shall be exempt from payment of direct taxes of any kind and from income tax, contributions, payments and charges on salaries, benefits and other emoluments received from the Office and from the General Secretariat, including those related to retirement pensions and indemnizations.

Article 24 The Ministry of Foreign Affairs shall issue special identification papers to Office and General Secretariat personnel assigned to service in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and to their family members.

Article 25* Office and the General Secretariat personnel and officials of the Office who are not nationals of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

- a) Shall be exempt, along with their family members, from restrictions on entry into and exit from the country, even at times of international crisis and from any compulsory national service. They shall also be exempt from paying the corresponding entry and exit duties and taxes.
- b) Shall enjoy the broadest freedom in the transfer of funds for the negotiation in any place or manner of foreign exchange, checks, coins, foreign currency or bills that they receive as payment and benefits for their services and shall not be subject to the limitations, official exchange rates, restrictions or supervision or control measures that may be established in this area.
- c) Shall enjoy exemption from taxes on vehicles, which shall have special license plates issued through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- d) Shall enjoy, together with the members of their families, the greatest facilities for the free issuance of drivers licenses for automobiles or other vehicles, it being sufficient to present a corresponding license issued by another state or inter-American or international driver's license.
- e) May import, exempt from import and additional duties and exempt from customs and clearance duties, baggage, effects, and furniture they bring with them for installation in the country. This provision shall also apply to the effects and household furnishings that arrive as unaccompanied baggage, in one or several shipments, provided they enter the country within six months following the owner's arrival.

* See attached notes from the Office of the General Secretariat in St. Vincent and the Grenadines and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

- f) Shall have the right to import duty free one automobile or other vehicle for their personal use and to transfer title thereto under the conditions and during the periods established by the rules in effect. Nevertheless, transfer of the following automobiles or vehicles shall be exempt from such conditions or periods.
- i. Those which have belonged to Office or General Secretariat staff members who have died in the performance of duty.
 - ii. Those transferred due to official transfer of Office or General Secretariat personnel to another member State, provided they have served for more than one year in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
- g) May also import articles for their use or personal consumption or for their homes and family members during their official stay in the country and up to three months following the date of their final departure from Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. Such articles shall be subject to customs duties, clearance and exemption from import duties and other duties, provided that their FOB import values and additional values do not surpass the annual quotas and maximum import quantities assigned to the persons entitled.
- h) May freely export luggage, effects, furniture, and vehicles belonging to them at the end of their mission in the country and up to three months after their final departure.

Article 26 The Director of the Office shall enjoy the benefits of the annual quota of free imports that the Government grants to Chiefs of Foreign Missions. The remaining members of the Office and General Secretariat staff who are not nationals of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and who are entitled to this right shall have the same quotas as First Secretaries, Military, Naval and Air Attaches, and First Consuls.

Article 27 Office and General Secretariat staff members who are nationals of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

- a) Shall enjoy monetary and exchange facilities when official missions assigned them are to be carried out abroad.
- b) May export their luggage, effects, furniture, and vehicles in accordance with the provisions in effect and under conditions no less favourable than those the Government extends to staff members of other international organizations.
- c) Upon their return to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines after having ceased to render services to the General Secretariat or to the Organization in another country, or when being transferred to perform duties in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines they shall be permitted:
 - i. To import effects and furniture belonging to the persons entitled free of import duties and additional duties, and free of other inspection and customs duties, in one or several shipments and up to six months from those persons' arrival; and

- ii. To import one automobile duty free for their personal use, which may be transferred without paying taxes only after the period in effect.

Article 28 The Office and General Secretariat personnel shall be protected by the working rules and social protection of the Organization. Therefore, the Office need not affiliate its personnel with the national social security system. Nevertheless the Office may make arrangements with the national social security institutions aimed at establishing systems for protection against risks and for social benefits for its staff, when it so deems advisable.

Article 29 The Director of the Office or his substitute shall convey to the Minister of Foreign Affairs the roster of Office and General Secretariat staff on duty in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines who shall be entitled to the immunities and prerogatives contemplated in this Agreement.

B. FELLOWSHIP STUDENTS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Article 30 Allowances or stipends to fellowship students of the Organization shall be exempt from all taxes, payments, charges and contributions.

Article 31 At no cost whatever and in response to a written request made by the Office, the General Secretariat or the Organization, diplomatic and consular delegations of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines shall grant OAS fellowship students and their spouses and dependents, official visas in their passports for the length of their study or research fellowships in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Article 32 Fellowship students of the Organization who are not nationals of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines shall also enjoy the prerogatives and facilities provided for in Article 25, paragraphs b, d, and h of this Agreement.

C. TRAVEL FACILITIES

Article 33 The Government recognizes the Official Travel Document that the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States issues as a valid and adequate document for travel by the staff of the Office, the General Secretariat, or the Organization.

Article 34 The Official Travel Document of the OAS does not require a visa for its holder to enter Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and remain there until conclusion of the mission for which he is responsible.

Members of the families of holders of the Official Travel Document who are not included in such document shall obtain, without delay or waiting period, without being required to appear at the diplomatic mission or consulate of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and without the payment of any fee, official visas in their passports that will allow them to enter the territory of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and to remain there.

This provision also applies to personnel of the General Secretariat or the Organization and to members and their families who, due to the short term mission assigned, lack the Official Travel Document and must enter Saint Vincent and the Grenadines with passports issued by their countries of origin. It shall also apply to officials participating in conferences and meetings sponsored by the General Secretariat of the Organization in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Article 35 The Secretary General and the Assistant Secretary General of the Organization, the Executive Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, and other senior officials of the General Secretariat of the Organization, shall enjoy the privileges appropriate to their posts and positions in accordance with international customs regulations when they visit Saint Vincent and the Grenadines on a working mission.

Article 36 In view of their service mission, domestic or international travel by personnel and officials of the Office, the General Secretariat or the Organization on official missions, and travel by OAS fellowship students and persons invited by the Organization to participate in contests or special events, shall not be subject to the payment of port, airport or exit taxes. These provisions also apply to the members of the families of such staff members and of the fellowship students of the Organization.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 37 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall cooperate with the competent Saint Vincent and the Grenadines authorities to facilitate the appropriate administration of justice to see that police, traffic, health and other ordinances and regulations are obeyed; and they shall prevent abuses of the privileges, immunities, and facilities granted through this Agreement.

Article 38 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization shall take the measures necessary for the appropriate settlement of:

- a) disputes arising out of contracts or other matters of private law to which they are parties; and
- b) disputes in which any member of their staff is a party, with regard to which he has immunity, provided that the Director of the Office, duly authorized for such purpose by the Secretary General of the OAS, has not expressly waived such immunity.

Article 39 The Office, the General Secretariat, and the Organization as well as their personnel may avail themselves of either those provisions for immunities, privileges or prerogatives set forth in this Agreement or those provisions for immunities, privileges and prerogatives contained in existing and future agreements between Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and organization or technical cooperation missions whichever might be more favourable to the Office, the General Secretariat, the Organization, and their personnel.

FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 40 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as precluding the adoption of appropriate security measures in the interest of the Government.

Article 41 This Agreement shall become effective on the date of which it is signed.

Article 42 This Agreement may be revised and amended by mutual consent of the Government and the General Secretariat.

Article 43 Either party may terminate this Agreement by written notification to the other, one year in advance.

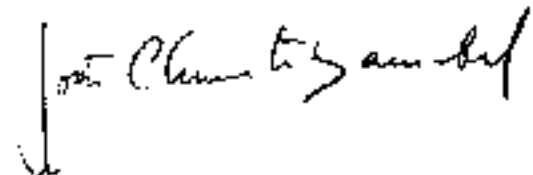
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorized for the purpose, sign this Agreement in duplicate in the city of Washington, D.C., on this twenty-seventh day of September, of the year one thousand nine hundred and eighty four.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT

FOR THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT



James F. Mitchell
Prime Minister and Minister of
Finance and Foreign Affairs



Joao Clemente Baena Soares
Secretary General of the Organization
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30 October, 1984.

The Office of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) in St. Vincent and the Grenadines presents its Compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines and has the honour to refer to the "Agreement between the Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines and the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States for the Establishment and functioning in St. Vincent and the Grenadines of the Office of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States in St. Vincent and the Grenadines," which was signed in Washington D.C. on September 27th 1984.

In the context of this Agreement, the Office of the General Secretariat of the O.A.S. at the request of this General Secretariat and acting on its behalf wish to draw attention to an error, requiring the need for a change in the wording of paragraph C Article 25 of the Agreement.

The error referred to is hereunder identified as follows:-
On Page (8) paragraph (G) line (5) the words "Custom Duties" should be replaced by the word "Assessment".

The Rationale is as follows:-

OAS General Secretariat personnel and officials of this Office who are not Nationals of St. Vincent and the Grenadines are exempt from import duty as indicated in other provisions of Article 25 of the Agreement. On the other hand, however, they are subject to Assessment of the imported articles, in order to comply with the condition that "their P.O.S. report values and additional values do not surpass the annual quotas and maximum import quantities assigned to the persons entitled."

The error in question, resulted from the incorrect translation of the Spanish word "AFORO" meaning "Assessment" into "Custom Duties"

Consequently, the General Secretariat is requesting the approval of the Government of St.Vincent and the Grenadines to this change in the wording of paragraph (C) Article (25) of the Agreement; and line 5 of that paragraph should now read "shall be subject to assessment, clearance and exemption."

The Office of the General Secretariat of the O.A.S. regrets any inconvenience which may have been caused by this error.

The Office of the General Secretariat of the O.A.S. in St.Vincent and the Grenadines avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of St.Vincent and the Grenadines the assurances of its highest consideration and esteem.



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS



ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES

Note No. 131/84



The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of St. Vincent and the Grenadines presents its compliments to the Office of the General Secretariat of the OAS in Kingstown and has the honour to refer to the latter's Note No. 0119 of 30th October 1984 requesting a change in the wording of paragraph G of Article 25 of the "Agreement between the Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines and the General Secretariat of the OAS for the Establishment and functioning in St. Vincent and the Grenadines of the Office of the General Secretariat of the OAS in St. Vincent and the Grenadines".

The Ministry wishes to inform the Secretariat that approval has been given for the change to be effected.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of St. Vincent and the Grenadines avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the General Secretariat of the OAS the assurances of its highest consideration.

6th December, 1984.

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