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**UNITED NATIONS  
and  
AUSTRIA**

**Agreement regarding the arrangements for the Vienna Conference on Diplomatic Intercourse and Immunities.  
Signed at Vienna, on 27 February 1961**

*Official text: English.*

*Registered ex officio on 7 April 1961.*

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES  
et  
AUTRICHE**

**Accord relatif à l'organisation de la Conférence de Vienne  
sur les relations et immunités diplomatiques. Signé à  
Vienne, le 27 février 1961**

*Texte officiel anglais.*

*Enregistré d'office le 7 avril 1961.*

No. 5666. AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS  
AND THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA REGARDING THE  
ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VIENNA CONFERENCE  
ON DIPLOMATIC INTERCOURSE AND IMMUNITIES.  
SIGNED AT VIENNA, ON 27 FEBRUARY 1961

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Whereas, upon the invitation of the Federal Government of Austria (hereinafter referred to as the Government), the United Nations Conference on Diplomatic Intercourse and Immunities (hereinafter referred to as the Conference) shall be held in Vienna from 2 March to 14 April 1961 (if necessary, to be prolonged for one week, to 21 April 1961), therefore the United Nations and the Government hereby agree as follows :

I. PREMISES, EQUIPMENT, UTILITIES AND STATIONERY SUPPLIES

(1) The Government shall make available at its expense such conference rooms and offices in the Neue Hofburg as will be necessary for the Conference. These facilities shall include a large conference room for plenary meetings and meetings of the Committee of the Whole of the Conference, two smaller conference rooms for meetings of the General Committee, the Credentials Committee and the Drafting Committee(s), three small committee rooms for private meetings of delegations, a delegate's lounge, a large room for non-governmental organizations, suitable working areas for documents reproduction and documents distribution, a room for a library and reference centre and suitable office accommodation (a minimum of 50 offices) for the staff of the Conference.

(2) The Government shall at its expense furnish, equip and maintain in good repair all the afore-mentioned rooms and offices in a manner adequate to the effective conduct of the Conference. The large conference room and the two smaller conference rooms shall be equipped for simultaneous interpretation in four languages and also have facilities for sound recording. The Government shall also provide suitable facilities for the press, radio, and film operations.

(3) The Government shall provide if possible within the Conference area bank, post office, telephone and cable facilities.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 27 February 1961 by signature.

(4) The Government shall pay for all necessary utility services including telephone communications of the Secretariat of the Conference within Vienna and communications by Telex between the Secretariat of the Conference and the European Office of the United Nations in Geneva.

(5) Any damage to the premises in the Conference area or injury to persons using such premises or damage to furniture or equipment provided by the Government shall be made good at the expense of the Government, without prejudice to the Government's right of recourse as long as such right is not contrary to the present agreement.

(6) The United Nations shall provide at its expense all stationery supplies required for the adequate functioning of the Conference.

## II. TRANSPORTATION

The Government shall provide at its expense two chauffeur-driven cars and two station wagons for use by the officers and staff of the Conference. The Government shall also make available at its expense such additional transportation as may be necessary to transport United Nations staff from the airport servicing Vienna to their hotels and from their hotels to the airport. Any damage to person or property caused or suffered in using transportation referred to in this section shall be made good at the expense of the Government, without prejudice to the Government's right of recourse as long as such right is not contrary to the present agreement.

## III. POLICE PROTECTION

The Government shall furnish at its expense such police protection as may be required to ensure the efficient functioning of the Conference without interference of any kind. While such police services shall be under the direct supervision and control of a senior officer provided by the Government, this officer shall work in close co-operation with the responsible United Nations official so as to ensure a proper atmosphere of security and tranquillity.

## IV. LOCAL PERSONNEL FOR THE CONFERENCE

(1) The Government shall engage and provide at its expense the sound engineers required to ensure the proper functioning of the facilities referred to in Section I paragraph (2) above. The Government shall also engage and provide at its expense 15 documents reproduction and distribution staff, the necessary house staff such as huissiers, messengers and cleaners, as well as the drivers of the cars and station wagons referred to in Section II above.

(2) The Government agrees to indemnify and save harmless the United Nations from any and all actions, causes of actions, claims or other demands arising out of the employment for the United Nations of the personnel referred to in this section.

## V. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT

In addition to making the above-mentioned facilities available to the Conference, the Government, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 1202 (XII),<sup>1</sup> shall assume responsibility for the additional expenditures to the United Nations' budget estimated at \$130,000 resulting from the convening of the Conference in Vienna rather than at Headquarters in New York. Reimbursement to the United Nations shall take place as soon as possible after the close of the Conference and not later than 31 December 1961.

## VI. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

(1) The Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations,<sup>2</sup> to which the Republic of Austria is a party,<sup>3</sup> shall be applicable with respect to the Conference.

(2) The Government will accord representatives attending the Conference and those officials of the United Nations connected with the Conference the same privileges and immunities as accorded to representatives to, and officials of comparable rank of, the International Atomic Energy Agency, under the Headquarters Agreement between the Republic of Austria and the IAEA.<sup>4</sup>

(3) Representatives of States non-members of the United Nations attending the Conference shall enjoy the same privileges and immunities as accorded representatives of States Members of the Organization.

(4) Observers for the specialized agencies and other inter-governmental organizations invited to the Conference shall enjoy the same privileges and immunities as accorded to officials of comparable rank of the United Nations.

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twelfth Session, Supplement No. 18 (A/3805)*, p. 39.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 1, pp. 15 and 263; Vol. 4, p. 461; Vol. 5, p. 413; Vol. 6, p. 433; Vol. 7, p. 353; Vol. 9, p. 398; Vol. 11, p. 406; Vol. 12, p. 416; Vol. 14, p. 490; Vol. 15, p. 442; Vol. 18, p. 382; Vol. 26, p. 396; Vol. 42, p. 354; Vol. 43, p. 335; Vol. 45, p. 318; Vol. 66, p. 346; Vol. 70, p. 266; Vol. 173, p. 369; Vol. 177, p. 324; Vol. 180, p. 296; Vol. 202, p. 320; Vol. 214, p. 348; Vol. 230, p. 427; Vol. 231, p. 347; Vol. 247, p. 384; Vol. 248, p. 358; Vol. 252, p. 308; Vol. 254, p. 404; Vol. 261, p. 373; Vol. 266, p. 363; Vol. 270, p. 372; Vol. 271, p. 382; Vol. 280, p. 346; Vol. 284, p. 361; Vol. 286, p. 329; Vol. 308, p. 300; Vol. 316, p. 268; Vol. 340, p. 323; Vol. 376, p. 402; and Vol. 381, p. 348.

<sup>3</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 266, p. 363.

<sup>4</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 339, p. 110.

(5) The area designated under Section I shall be deemed to constitute United Nations premises, and access to the conference area and to office space therein shall be under the control and authority of the United Nations.

(6) The Austrian authorities shall impose no impediment to transit to and from the Conference of the following categories of persons attending the Conference : representatives of Governments and their immediate families ; observers of specialized agencies and inter-governmental organizations and their immediate families ; officials and experts of the United Nations and their immediate families ; observers for non-governmental organizations having consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations ; representatives of the press or of radio, television, film or other information agencies accredited by the United Nations at its discretion after consultation with the Government ; and other persons invited to the Conference by the United Nations on official business. Any visa required for such persons shall be granted promptly and without charge.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the respective representatives of the United Nations and of the Republic of Austria have signed this Agreement this 27th day of February one thousand nine hundred and sixty one.

For the United Nations :

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For the Republic of Austria :

Martin FUCHS