

Article 43

Appointment of the members of the delegation

Subject to the provisions of articles 46 and 73, the sending State may freely appoint the members of the delegation.

Article 44

Credentials of delegates

The credentials of the head of delegation and of other delegates shall be issued by the Head of State, by the Head of Government, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, if the rules of the Organization or the rules of procedure of the conference so permit, by another competent authority of the sending State. They shall be transmitted, as the case may be, to the Organization or to the conference.

Article 45

Composition of the delegation

In addition to the head of delegation, the delegation may include other delegates, diplomatic staff, administrative and technical staff and service staff.

Article 46

Size of the delegation

The size of the delegation shall not exceed what is reasonable and normal, having regard, as the case may be, to the functions of the organ or the object of the conference, as well as the needs of the particular delegation and the circumstances and conditions in the host State.

Article 47

Notifications

1. The sending State shall notify the Organization or, as the case may be, the conference of:
 - (a) the composition of the delegation, including the position, title and order of precedence of the members of the delegation, and any subsequent changes therein;
 - (b) the arrival and final departure of members of the delegation and the termination of their functions with the delegation;
 - (c) the, arrival and final departure of any person accompanying a member of the delegation;
 - (d) the beginning and the termination of the employment of persons resident in the host State as members of the staff of the delegation or as persons employed on the private staff;
 - (e) the location of the premises of the delegation and of the private accommodation enjoying inviolability under article 59, as well as any other information that may be necessary to identify such premises and accommodation.
2. Where possible, prior notification of arrival and final departure shall also be given.
3. The Organization or, as the case may be, the conference shall transmit to the host State the notifications referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article.
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Article 48

Acting head of delegation

1. If the head of delegation is absent or unable to perform his functions, an acting head of delegation shall be designated from among the other delegates by the head of delegation or, in case he is unable to do so, by a competent authority of the sending State. The name of the acting head of delegation shall be notified, as the case may be, to the Organization or to the conference.

2. If a delegation does not have another delegate available to serve as acting head of delegation, another person may be designated for that purpose. In such case credentials must be issued and transmitted in accordance with article 44.

Article 49

Precedence

Precedence among delegations shall be determined by the alphabetical order of the names of the States used in the Organization.

Article 50

Status of the Head of State and persons of high rank

1. The Head of State or any member of a collegial body performing the functions of Head of State under the constitution of the State concerned, when he leads the delegation, shall enjoy in the host State or in a third State, in addition to what is granted by the present Convention, the facilities, privileges and immunities accorded by international law to Heads of State.
2. The Head of Government, the Minister for Foreign Affairs or other person of high rank, when he leads or is a member of the delegation, shall enjoy in the host State or in a third State, in addition to what is granted by the present Convention, the facilities, privileges and immunities accorded by international law to such persons.

Article 51

General facilities

1. The host State shall accord to the delegation all necessary facilities for the performance of its tasks.
2. The Organization or, as the case may be, the conference shall assist the delegation in obtaining those facilities and shall accord to the⁴ delegation such facilities as lie within its own competence. <

Article 52

Premises and accommodation

If so requested, the host State and, where necessary, the Organization or the conference shall assist the sending State in obtaining on reasonable terms premises necessary for the delegation and suitable accommodation for its members.

Article 53

Assistance in respect of privileges and immunities

1. The Organization or, as the case may be, the Organization and the conference shall, where necessary, assist the sending State, its delegation and the members of its delegation in securing the enjoyment of the privileges and immunities provided for under the present Convention.
2. The Organization or, as the case may be, the Organization and the conference shall, where necessary assist the host State in securing the discharge of the obligations of the sending State, its delegation and the members of its delegation in respect of the privileges and immunities provided for under the present Convention.

Article 54

Exemption of the premises from taxation

1. The sending State or any member of the delegation acting on behalf of the delegation shall be exempt from all national, regional or municipal dues and taxes in respect of the premises of the delegation other than such as represent payment for specific services rendered.
2. The exemption from taxation referred to in this article shall not apply to such dues and taxes payable under the law of the host State by persons contracting with the sending State or with a member of the delegation.