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CHAPTER 458

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- 1. This Act may be cited as the United States Short title. (N.A.S.A. Agreement) (Taxes and Duties Exemption) Act.
 - 2. In this Act— Interpretation.

"the Agreement" means the agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America concerning the establishment, operation and maintenance by the Government of the United States of America of a station for space vehicle 'tracking and communications in Antigua and made by exchange of notes between the said Governments

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dated the 23rd and the 17th days of January, 1967, respectively;

"station" means the station established under the Agreement;

"United States personnel" means any person who—

- (a) is employed by or under a contract with the Government of the United States or a United States contractor engaged in works under contract with that Government, in connection with the establishment, operation and maintenance of the station, and
- (b) is not ordinarily resident in Antigua and Barbuda and is there solely for the purposes of the Agreement,

and includes the dependants of any such person;

- "dependant" means the spouse and children under 21 years of age of a person, and, if they are dependent upon him for their support, the parents and children over 21 years of age of that person;
- "United States Contractor" means any person, body or corporation ordinarily resident in the United States of America, that is in Antigua and Barbuda for the purposes of the Agreement by virtue of a contract with the Government of the United States or the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and includes a sub-contractor.

Exemption from Customs and other duties.

- **3.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any law, there shall be exempt from all taxes or duties of customs on the importation or exportation of—
 - (a) materials and equipment imported by or for the use of the Government of the United States and United States Contractors for the purposes of the Agreement;
 - (b) the personal effects and household goods including privately owned automobiles, imported by

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United States personnel on first arrival in Antigua and Barbuda or within six months thereafter and related thereto

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Exemption from 4. law, there shall be exempt from any excise, consumption or duties. any other duty or tax, any goods or materials purchased locally by or for the use of the Government of the United States for the purposes of the Agreement.

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Exemption from any law, there shall be exempt from any taxation in Antigua taxation on salaries, etc. and Barbuda the salary and emoluments received by United States Personnel as such or any tangible movable property owned by United States Personnel within the station and on the ownership of such property outside the station in Antigua and Barbuda solely by reason of the Agreement.

- (2) Where the incidence of any form of taxation in Antigua and Barbuda depends upon residence or domicile, periods during which United States Personnel are in Antigua and Barbuda solely by reason of the Agreement shall not be considered as periods of residence, or as treating a change of residence or domicile, for the purposes of such taxation.
- 6. No fees, taxes or other charges imposed or Vehicles exempt payable under the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act shall be Cap. 460, imposed or paid on—

- (a) vehicles of the Government of the United States of America; or
- (b) privately owned automobiles imported by United States Personnel, other than personnel employed by a United States contractor and his dependants and exempted from taxes and duties under paragraph (b) of section 3.
- 7. For the avoidance of doubt nothing in this Act Taxation of shall prevent the taxation of United States Personnel or profitable enterprises. United States Contractors with respect to any profitable enterprise other than their employment or business under the Agreement in which they may engage in Antigua and Barbuda and except as regards salaries and emoluments

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and tangible movable property referred to in subsection (1) of section 5, nothing in this Act shall prevent taxation to which, even if regarded as resident and domiciled outside Antigua and Barbuda, such persons are liable under the law of Antigua and Barbuda.