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AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE
PREFERENTIAL TRADE AREA FOR EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICAN
STATES

ADDENDUM

Paragraph 4 of Article 44 of the Treaty for the establishment of the Preferential Trade Area for Eastern and Southern African States, provides that: "The privileges and immunities to be recognized and granted by the member States in connexion with the Preferential Trade Area shall be determined by the Council." In this respect, the Draft Protocol Relating to the Privileges and Immunities of the Preferential Trade Area for Eastern and Southern African States document ECA/MULPOC/Lusaka/PTA/ICE/2, is submitted. The draft Protocol provides for the normal privileges and immunities to be granted by the member States in respect of the Preferential Trade Area. Provisions have also been made for the issue Preferential Trade Area Passports for the use of the officials of the Preferential Trade Area in connexion with their official travel within the Preferential Trade Area.

The draft Protocol has been modeled on similar provisions contained in the Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Economic Commission of West African States and the United Nations. In addition to the draft Protocol which sets out the obligations of all the Member States of the PTA with respect to the PTA, a headquarters host agreement will be concluded between the Secretary-General of the PTA and the Government of Zambia in pursuance of the provisions of paragraph 5 of Article 44 of the Treaty.

In order to avoid confusion arising from the name of the draft Protocol it is proposed that the word "Protocol" should be replaced by the word "Agreement" in the draft.