

*(Unofficial Translation)*

**CONSULAR PRIVILEGE AND IMMUNITY ACT**

**B.E. 2541 (1998)**

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BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ, REX;

Given on the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of December B.E. 2541;

Being the 53<sup>th</sup> Year of the Present Reign.

His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej is graciously pleased to proclaim that:  
Whereas it is expedient to have a law on consular privileges and immunities;  
Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, by and with the advice and consent of  
the National Assembly, as follows:

**Section 1.** This Act is called the “Consular Privilege and Immunity Act,  
B.E. 2541 (1998)”.

**Section 2.** This Act shall come into force from the day following the date of  
its publication in the Government Gazette.

**Section 3.** The sending State of a consular mission, the consular post, the  
head of the consular post, consular officers, consular employees, the member of the service  
staff, the members of the families of the members of the consular post and the member of  
the private staff, including premises, consular archives and properties of the consular post  
and the members of the consular post or the members of the families of the members of  
the consular post, as specified in the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations done on  
24 April 1963 annexed to this Act, shall enjoy consular privileges and immunities as stipulated  
in the Convention.

**Section 4.** Consular privileges and immunities under section 3 may be  
revoked or restricted completely or partially on the basis of reciprocity, according to  
consular customary practices or as stipulated in the Royal Decree.

**Section 5.** The Minister of Foreign Affairs shall have charge and control of the  
execution of this Act.

Countersigned by

Chuan Leekpai  
Prime Minister

**Remark:-** The objective of the promulgation of this Act is, since Thailand will become a party to the the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations done on 24 April 1963, in order to be in conformity with customary practices among civilized nations, therefore to implement the Convention.

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