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**Agreement on Privileges and Immunities for Liaison
Officers and other Members of Staff at the Europol Drugs
Unit in The Hague between the Kingdom of the
Netherlands and Ireland**

**Notifications of the completion of the requirements for entry into force
exchanged on 30 November 1994 and 14 June 1995,**

Entered into force on 29 June 1995

Presented to Dáil Éireann by the Minister for Foreign Affairs

**AGREEMENT ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES FOR LIAISON
OFFICERS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF STAFF AT THE EUROPOL
DRUGS UNIT IN THE HAGUE BETWEEN THE KINGDOM OF THE
NETHERLANDS AND IRELAND**

I

No. 1530

The Royal Netherlands Embassy presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of Ireland and with reference to the Ministerial Agreement establishing the Europol Drugs Unit, adopted by the TREVI Ministers during their meeting in Copenhagen on 1 and 2 June 1993, and to the decision of the European Council of 29 October 1993 that Europol should have its seat in The Hague and, pending the establishment of Europol by treaty, has the honour to propose the following on behalf of the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

1. Liaison officers and other members of staff who are employed at the Europol Drugs Unit in The Hague on behalf of the Government of Ireland under the aforementioned Ministerial Agreement and who settle in the Netherlands for that reason, and members of their family who form part of their household and who do not possess Dutch nationality, shall enjoy the privileges and immunities in and vis-à-vis the Kingdom of the Netherlands that accrue to members of the administrative and technical staff of diplomatic missions established in the Netherlands under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961, except that the immunities shall not extend to damage caused by a vehicle or other means of transport belonging to or driven by them, nor to traffic offences and that the immunity from criminal jurisdiction shall not extend to acts performed outside the course of their duties.

2. The obligations of Sending States and their personnel that apply under the Vienna Convention to members of the administrative and technical staff of diplomatic missions established in the Netherlands, shall apply to the persons referred to at 1.

3. The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands shall, upon request, supply the persons referred to at 1. with an identity card showing their status.

The Embassy proposes that this note and the affirmative note of the Department of Foreign Affairs together shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of Ireland, which shall enter into force on the fifteenth day after the date of receipt of the affirmative note of the Department of Foreign Affairs and which shall remain in force for one year while, in case at the end of this term a treaty concerning the establishment of Europol is not in force, a further exchange of notes to prolong the agreement may be concluded.

The Royal Netherlands Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

Dublin, 30 November 1994

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II

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Note No. 106/95

The Department of Foreign Affairs of Ireland presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and has the honour to confirm receipt of the Embassy's, note no. 1530 of 30 November, 1994 which reads as follows:

[See note I]

The Department has the honour to inform the Embassy that the above proposals are acceptable to the Government of Ireland and that the note of the Embassy and this affirmative note constitute an Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of Ireland, which shall enter into force on the fifteenth day after the date of receipt by the Embassy of this note and which shall remain in force for one year while, in case at the end of this term a treaty concerning the establishment of Europol is not in force, a further exchange of notes to prolong the Agreement may be concluded.

The Department of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Royal Netherlands Embassy the assurances of its highest consideration.

Dublin, 14 June, 1995

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