2 FAM 240 CUSTOMS PRIVILEGES ACCORDED U.S. REPRESENTATIVES ABROAD

(TL:GEN-107; 04-30-1968)

2 FAM 241 RECIPROCITY

(TL:GEN-107; 04-30-1968)

The United States extends customs courtesies and free entry privileges to foreign diplomatic and consular officers and employees on a reciprocal basis. Therefore, American representatives abroad acquaint themselves both with customs exemptions extended by the United States to the representatives of the country to which they are accredited (see section 2 FAM 250 for a generalized treatment of this subject) and with treaty provisions, local laws, and regulations prescribed by the foreign country concerned.

2 FAM 242 REQUESTING COURTESIES AND PRIVILEGES

(TL:GEN-107; 04-30-1968)

Diplomatic and consular officers and employees of the United States desiring the extension of customs courtesies and free entry privileges either in the country to which they are assigned, or in a third country through which they are passing, submit their request therefor through the appropriate American mission.

2 FAM 243 SECURING RECIPROCAL COURTESIES AND PRIVILEGES

(TL:GEN-107; 04-30-1968)

Where foreign governments are not disposed to grant to U.S. diplomatic and consular officers and employees customs courtesies and free entry privileges similar to those enjoyed by that country's representatives in the United States, this discrepancy is brought to the attention of the foreign government by American diplomatic representatives in that country. If the foreign government will not grant the same exemptions and courtesies to our representatives abroad as are granted the representatives of the government concerned in the United States, the U.S. Government will, of necessity, have to withdraw such exemptions and courtesies extended to that foreign government's representatives in the United States. Representations or protests of this sort are reported immediately to the Department.

2 FAM 244 FREE ENTRY OF OFFICIAL SUPPLIES

(TL:GEN-107; 04-30-1968)

Missions submit reports by airgram to the Department whenever any change occurs in the law or practice of the country to which they are assigned which might affect the importation of merchandise and supplies for the official use of U.S. representatives abroad. These reports specify any requirements (such as having shipments addressed only to the chief of mission) or special documents which are necessary to procure the entry of official importations in accordance with local customs, laws, and regulations.

2 FAM 245 THROUGH 249 UNASSIGNED