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**CONVENTION BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN  
AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC  
FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBLE TAXATION WITH RESPECT TO  
TAXES ON INCOME**

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the  
Hungarian People's Republic;

Desiring to conclude a Convention for the avoidance of double taxation  
with respect to taxes on income;

Have agreed as follows:

**Article I  
Personal Scope**

This Convention shall apply to persons who are residents of one or both of  
the Contracting States.

## **Article 2**

### **Taxes Covered**

(1) The taxes which are the subject of this Convention are:

(a) in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

- (i) the income tax;
- (ii) the corporation tax;
- (iii) the capital gains tax;
- (iv) the development land tax

(hereinafter referred to as "United Kingdom tax");

(b) in the Hungarian People's Republic:

- (i) the income taxes (a jovedelemadok);
- (ii) the profit taxes (a nyeresegadok);
- (iii) the enterprises' special tax (a vallalatai kulonado);
- (iv) the contribution to communal development (a kozsegfejlesztési hozzajarulas);
- (v) the levy on dividends and profit distributions of commercial companies (a kereskedelmi tarsasagok osztalek es nyereseg kifizetesei utani illetek)

(hereinafter referred to as "Hungarian tax").

(2) This Convention shall also apply to any identical or substantially similar taxes which are imposed by either Contracting State after the date of signature of this Convention in addition to, or in place of, the existing taxes.

### **Article 3**

#### **General Definitions**

(1) In this Convention, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) the term "United Kingdom" means Great Britain and Northern Ireland, including any area outside the territorial sea of the United Kingdom which in accordance with international law and the laws of the United Kingdom is an area within which the rights of the United Kingdom with respect to the sea bed and sub-soil and their natural resources may be exercised;

(b) the term "Hungarian People's Republic" means the territory of the Hungarian People's Republic;

(c) the term "national" means:

(i) in relation to the United Kingdom, any individual who has under the law in the United Kingdom the status of British subject, otherwise than by virtue of possessing the citizenship of an independent commonwealth country other than the United Kingdom, provided he has the right of abode in the United Kingdom; and any legal person, partnership, association or other entity deriving its status as such from the law in force in the United Kingdom.

(ii) in relation to the Hungarian People's Republic, any individual having the citizenship of the Hungarian People's Republic and any legal person, partnership, association or other entity deriving its status as such from the law in force in the Hungarian People's Republic;

(d) the terms "a Contracting State" and "the other Contracting State" mean the United Kingdom or the Hungarian People's Republic, as the context requires;

(e) the term "person" comprises an individual, company and any other body of persons;

(f) the term "company" means any body corporate or any entity which is treated as a body corporate for tax purposes;

(g) the terms "enterprise of a Contracting State" and "enterprise of the other Contracting State" mean respectively an enterprise carried on by a resident of a Contracting State and an enterprise carried on by a resident of the other Contracting State;

(h) the term "competent authority" means, in the case of the United Kingdom the Board of Inland Revenue or its authorised representative, and in the case of the Hungarian People's Republic the Minister of Finance or his authorised representative.

(2) As regards the application of this Convention by a Contracting State any term not otherwise defined shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning which it has under the laws of that Contracting State relating to the taxes which are the subject of this Convention.

## **Article 4**

### **Fiscal Domicile**

(1) For the purposes of this Convention, the term "resident of a Contracting State" means, subject to the provisions of paragraphs (2) and (3) of this Article, any person who, under the law of that State, is liable to taxation therein by reason of his domicile, residence, place of management or any other criterion of a similar nature.

(2) Where by reason of the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article an individual is a resident of both Contracting States, then his status shall be determined in accordance with the following rules:

(a) he shall be deemed to be a resident of the Contracting State in which he has a permanent home available to him. If he has a permanent home available to him in both Contracting States, he shall be deemed to be a resident of the Contracting State in which the centre of his vital interests is located;

(b) if the Contracting State in which he has his centre of vital interests cannot be determined, or if he has not a permanent home available to him in either Contracting State, he shall be deemed to be a resident of the Contracting State in which he has an habitual abode;

(c) if he has an habitual abode in both Contracting States or in neither of them, he shall be deemed to be a resident of the Contracting State of which he is a national;

(d) if he is a national of both Contracting States or of neither of them, the competent authorities of the Contracting States shall settle the question by mutual agreement in accordance with Article 25.

(3) Where by reason of the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article a person other than an individual is a resident of both Contracting States, then it shall be deemed to be a resident of the Contracting State in which its place of effective management is situated.

## **Article 5**

### **Permanent Establishment**

(1) For the purposes of this Convention, the term "permanent establishment" means a fixed place of business or production in which the activities of the enterprise are wholly or partly carried on.

(2) The term "permanent establishment" shall include especially:

- (a) a place of management;
- (b) a branch;
- (c) an office;
- (d) a factory;
- (e) a workshop;
- (f) a mine, oil well, quarry or other place of extraction of natural resources;
- (g) an installation or structure used for the exploration of natural resources;
- (h) a building site or construction or assembly project which exists for more than twenty-four months.

(3) The term "permanent establishment" shall not be deemed to include:

- (a) the use of facilities solely for the purpose of storage, display or delivery of goods or merchandise belonging to the enterprise;
- (b) the maintenance of a stock of goods or merchandise belonging to the enterprise solely for the purpose of storage, display or delivery;
- (c) the maintenance of a stock of goods or merchandise belonging to the enterprise solely for the purpose of processing by another enterprise;
- (d) the maintenance of a fixed place of business solely for the purpose of purchasing goods or merchandise, or for collecting information, for the enterprise;
- (e) the maintenance of a fixed place of business solely for the purpose of advertising, for the supply of information, for scientific research or for similar activities which have a preparatory or auxiliary character, for the enterprise.

(4) A person acting in a Contracting State on behalf of an enterprise of the other Contracting State--other than an agent of an independent status to whom the provisions of paragraph (5) of this Article apply--shall be deemed to be a permanent establishment in the first-mentioned State if he has, and habitually exercises in that State, an authority to conclude contracts in the name of the enterprise, unless his activities are limited to the purchase of goods or merchandise for the enterprise.

(5) An enterprise of a Contracting State shall not be deemed to have a permanent establishment in the other Contracting State merely because it carries on business in that other State through a broker, general commission agent or any other agent of an independent status, where such persons are acting in the ordinary course of their business.

(6) The fact that a company which is a resident of a Contracting State controls or is controlled by a company which is a resident of the other Contracting State, or which carries on business in that other State (whether through a permanent establishment or otherwise), shall not of itself constitute either company a permanent establishment of the other.

**Article 6**  
**Income From Immovable Property**

(1) Income from immovable property may be taxed in the Contracting State in which such property is situated.

(2)(a) The term "immovable property" shall, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (b) of this paragraph, be defined in accordance with the law of the Contracting State in which the property in question is situated.

(b) The term "immovable property" shall in any case include property accessory to immovable property, livestock and equipment used in agriculture and forestry, rights to which the provisions of general law respecting landed property apply, usufruct of immovable property and rights to variable or fixed payments as consideration for the working of, or the right to work, mineral deposits, sources and other natural resources; ships and aircraft shall not be regarded as immovable property.

(3) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article shall apply to income derived from the direct use, letting, or use in any other form of immovable property.

(4) The provisions of paragraphs (1) and (3) of this Article shall also apply to the income from immovable property of an enterprise and to income from immovable property used for the performance of professional services.

## **Article 7**

### **Business Profits**

(1) The profits of an enterprise of a Contracting State shall be taxable only in that State unless the enterprise carries on business in the other Contracting State through a permanent establishment situated therein. If the enterprise carries on business as aforesaid, the profits of the enterprise may be taxed in the other State but only so much of them as is attributable to that permanent establishment.

(2) Where an enterprise of a Contracting State carries on business in the other Contracting State through a permanent establishment situated therein, there shall in each Contracting State be attributed to that permanent establishment the profits which it might be expected to make if it were a distinct and separate enterprise engaged in the same or similar activities under the same or similar conditions and dealing wholly independently with the enterprise of which it is a permanent establishment.

(3) In the determination of the profits of a permanent establishment, there shall be allowed as deductions expenses of the enterprise which are incurred for the purposes of the permanent establishment, including executive and general administrative expenses so incurred, whether in the State in which the permanent establishment is situated or elsewhere.

(4) No profits shall be attributed to a permanent establishment by reason of:

- (a) the mere purchase by that permanent establishment of goods or merchandise for the enterprise, or
- (b) the mere delivery to the permanent establishment of goods or merchandise for its use.

(5) Where profits include items which are dealt with separately in other Articles of this Convention, then the provisions of those Articles shall not be affected by the provisions of this Article.

**Article 8**  
**Shipping and Air Transport**

(1) A resident of a Contracting State shall be exempt from tax in the other Contracting State on profits from the operation of ships or aircraft (including activities incidental thereto) whether owned or chartered by him other than profits from voyages of ships or aircraft confined solely to places in the other Contracting State.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) shall also apply to an enterprise of a Contracting State which operates in the other State through an agency.

(3) The provisions of this Article shall also apply to profits derived from participation in a pool, a joint venture or an international operating agency.

**Article 9**  
**Associated Enterprises**

Where:

(a) an enterprise of a Contracting State participates directly or indirectly in the management, control or capital of an enterprise of the other Contracting State, or

(b) the same persons participate directly or indirectly in the management, control or capital of an enterprise of a Contracting State and an enterprise of the other Contracting State,

and in either case conditions are made or imposed between the two enterprises in their commercial or financial relations which differ from those which would be made between independent enterprises, then any profits which would, but for those conditions, have accrued to one of the enterprises, but, by reason of those conditions, have not so accrued, may be included in the profits of that enterprise and taxed accordingly.

## **Article 10 Dividends**

(1) Dividends paid by a company which is a resident of a Contracting State to a resident of the other Contracting State may be taxed in that other State.

(2) However, such dividends may also be taxed in the Contracting State of which the company paying the dividends is a resident and according to the laws of that State, but the tax so charged shall not exceed:

(a) 5 per cent of the gross amount of the dividends if the recipient is a company which controls at least 25 per cent of the voting power in the company paying the dividends;

(b) in all other cases 15 per cent of the gross amount of the dividends.

(3) The term "dividends" as used in this Article means income from shares, or other rights, participating in profits, as well as income from corporate rights assimilated to income from shares by the taxation law of the State of which the company making the distribution is a resident.

(4) The provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not apply if the recipient of the dividends, being a resident of a Contracting State, carries on business in the other Contracting State of which the company paying the dividends is a resident, through a permanent establishment situated therein or performs in that other State professional services from a fixed base situated therein and the holding in respect of which the dividends are paid is effectively connected with such permanent establishment or fixed base. In such a case the provisions of Article 7 or Article 14, as the case may be, shall apply.

(5) Where a company which is a resident of a Contracting State derives profits or income from the other Contracting State, that other State may not impose any tax on the dividends paid by the company, except insofar as such dividends are paid to a resident of that other State or insofar as the holding in respect of which the dividends are paid is effectively connected with a permanent establishment or a fixed base situated in that other State, nor subject the company's undistributed profits to a tax on the company's undistributed profits, even if the dividends paid or the undistributed profits consist wholly or partly of profits or income arising in such other State.

## **Article 11**

### **Interest**

(1) Interest arising in a Contracting State which is paid to a resident of the other Contracting State shall be taxable only in that other State.

(2) The term "interest" as used in this Article means income from debt claims of every kind, whether or not secured by mortgage, and in particular income from government securities and income from bonds or debentures including premiums and prizes attaching to bonds or debentures.

(3) The provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not apply if the recipient of the interest, being a resident of a Contracting State, carries on business in the other Contracting State in which the interest arises, through a permanent establishment situated therein, or performs in that other State professional services from a fixed base situated therein, and the debt claim in respect of which the interest is paid is effectively connected with such permanent establishment or fixed base. In such a case, the provisions of Article 7 or Article 14, as the case may be, shall apply.

(4) Where, owing to a special relationship between the payer and some other person the amount of the interest paid exceeds for whatever reason the amount which would have been paid in the absence of such relationship, the provisions of this Article shall apply only to the last-mentioned amount. In that case, the excess part of the payments shall remain taxable according to the law of each Contracting State, due regard being had to the other provisions of this Convention.

## **Article 12**

### **Royalties**

(1) Royalties arising in a Contracting State which are paid to a resident of the other Contracting State shall be taxable only in that other State.

(2) The term "royalties" as used in this Article means payments of any kind received as a consideration for the use of, or the right to use, any copyright of literary, artistic or scientific work (including cinematograph films, and films or tapes for radio or television broadcasting), any patent, trade mark, design or model, plan, secret formula or process, or for the use of, or the right to use, industrial, commercial or scientific equipment, or for information concerning industrial, commercial or scientific experience.

(3) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article shall not apply if the recipient of the royalties, being a resident of a Contracting State, carries on business in the other Contracting State in which the royalties arise, through a permanent establishment situated therein, or performs in that other State, professional services from a fixed base situated therein, and the right or property in respect of which the royalties are paid is effectively connected with such permanent establishment or fixed base. In such a case, the provisions of Article 7 or Article 14, as the case may be, shall apply.

(4) Where, owing to a special relationship between the payer and some other person the amount of the royalties paid exceeds for whatever reason the amount which would have been paid in the absence of such relationship, the provisions of this Article shall apply only to the last-mentioned amount. In that case, the excess part of the payments shall remain taxable according to the law of each Contracting State, due regard being had to the other provisions of this Convention.

## **Article 13**

### **Capital Gains**

(1) Capital gains from the alienation of immovable property, as defined in paragraph (2) of Article 6, may be taxed in the Contracting State in which such property is situated.

(2) Capital gains from the alienation of movable property forming part of the business property of a permanent establishment which an enterprise of a Contracting State has in the other Contracting State or of movable property pertaining to a fixed base available to a resident of a Contracting State in the other Contracting State for the purpose of performing professional services, including such gains from the alienation of such a permanent establishment (alone or together with the whole enterprise) or of such a fixed base, may be taxed in the other State.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (2) of this Article, capital gains derived by a resident of a Contracting State from the alienation of ships and aircraft operated in international traffic and movable property pertaining to the operation of such ships and aircraft shall be taxable only in that Contracting State.

(4) Capital gains from the alienation of any property other than those mentioned in paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) of this Article shall be taxable only in the Contracting State of which the alienator is a resident.

**Article 14**  
**Independent Personal Services**

(1) Income derived by a resident of a Contracting State in respect of professional services or other independent activities of a similar character shall be taxable only in that State unless he has a fixed base regularly available to him in the other Contracting State for the purpose of performing his activities. If he has such a fixed base, the income may be taxed in the other Contracting State but only so much of it as is attributable to that fixed base.

(2) The term "professional services" includes especially independent scientific, literary, educational or teaching activities as well as the independent activities of physicians, lawyers, engineers, architects, dentists and accountants.

**Article 15**  
**Dependent Personal Services**

(1) Subject to the provisions of Articles 16, 18, 19, 20 and 21, salaries, wages and other similar remuneration derived by a resident of a Contracting State in respect of an employment shall be taxable only in that State unless the employment is exercised in the other Contracting State. If the employment is so exercised, such remuneration as is derived therefrom may be taxed in that other State.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article, remuneration derived by a resident of a Contracting State in respect of an employment exercised in the other Contracting State shall be taxable only in the first-mentioned State if:

(a) the recipient is present in the other State for a period or periods not exceeding in the aggregate 183 days in the fiscal year concerned; and

(b) the remuneration is paid by, or on behalf of, an employer who is not a resident of the other State; and

(c) the remuneration is not borne by a permanent establishment or a fixed base which the employer has in the other State.

(3) Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this Article, remuneration in respect of an employment exercised aboard a ship or aircraft in international traffic may be taxed in the Contracting State of which the person deriving the profits from the operation of the ship or aircraft is a resident.

**Article 16**  
**Directors' Fees**

Directors' fees and similar payments derived by a resident of a Contracting State in his capacity as a member of the board of directors or the supervisory board of a company which is a resident of the other Contracting State may be taxed in that other State.

**Article 17**  
**Public Entertainers**

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 14 and 15, income derived by entertainers, such as theatre, motion picture, radio or television artistes, and musicians, and by athletes, from their personal activities as such may be taxed in the Contracting State in which these activities are exercised, except where the amount of the gross receipts derived by an entertainer or athlete, including expenses reimbursed to him or borne on his behalf, from such activities does not exceed pound 8,000 sterling or its equivalent in Hungarian forints in the tax year concerned.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article, income derived from such activities as defined in paragraph (1) performed under a cultural agreement or arrangement between the Contracting States, shall be exempt from tax in the Contracting State in which these activities are exercised.

**Article 18**  
**Pensions**

(1) Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of Article 19, pensions and other similar remuneration paid in consideration of past employment to a resident of a Contracting State and any annuity paid to such a resident shall be taxable only in that State.

(2) The term "annuity" means a stated sum payable periodically at stated times during life or during a specified or ascertainable period of time under an obligation to make the payments in return for adequate and full consideration in money or money's worth.

**Article 19**  
**Governmental Functions**

(1) Remuneration or pensions paid out of public funds of the United Kingdom or Northern Ireland or of the funds of any local authority in the United Kingdom to any individual in respect of services rendered to the Government of the United Kingdom or Northern Ireland or a local authority in the United Kingdom in the discharge of functions of a governmental nature, shall be taxable only in the United Kingdom unless the individual is a Hungarian national without also being a United Kingdom national.

(2) Remuneration or pensions paid by the Hungarian People's Republic or a local authority thereof either directly or out of funds created by them to any individual in respect of services rendered to the Hungarian People's Republic or a local authority thereof, in the discharge of functions of a governmental nature, shall be taxable only in the Hungarian People's Republic unless the individual is a United Kingdom national without also being a Hungarian national.

(3) The provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Article shall not apply to remuneration or pensions in respect of services rendered in connection with any trade or business.

## **Article 20 Students**

Payments which a student or business apprentice who is or was immediately before visiting a Contracting State a resident of the other Contracting State and who is present in the first-mentioned Contracting State solely for the purpose of his education or training receives for the purpose of his maintenance, education or training shall not be taxed in the first-mentioned State, provided that such payments are made to him from sources outside that State. Income arising to such an individual from a scholarship held by him for the purpose of his receiving full-time instruction at a university, college, school or other educational establishment shall be exempt from tax in both Contracting States.

## **Article 21**

### **Teachers**

(1) Any individual who visits one of the Contracting States for a period not exceeding two years for the purpose of teaching or engaging in research at a university, college or other recognised education institution in that Contracting State, and who was immediately before that visit a resident of the other Contracting State, shall be exempted from tax by the first-mentioned Contracting State on any remuneration for such teaching or research for a period not exceeding two years from the date he first visits that State for such purpose.

(2) This Article shall only apply to income from research if such research is undertaken by the individual in the public interest and not primarily for the benefit of some other private person or persons.

**Article 22**  
**Income Not Expressly Mentioned**

Items of income of a resident of a Contracting State, wherever arising, being income of a class or from sources not expressly mentioned in this Convention shall be taxable only in that State.

## **Article 23**

### **Elimination of Double Taxation**

(1) Subject to the provisions of the laws of the United Kingdom regarding the allowance as a credit against United Kingdom tax of tax payable in a territory outside the United Kingdom (which shall not affect the general principle hereof):

(a) Hungarian tax payable under the laws of the Hungarian People's Republic and in accordance with this Convention, whether directly or by deduction, on profits, income or chargeable gains from sources within the Hungarian People's Republic (excluding in the case of a dividend, tax payable in respect of the profits out of which the dividend is paid) shall be allowed as a credit against any United Kingdom tax computed by reference to the same profits, income or chargeable gains by reference to which the Hungarian tax is computed.

(b) In the case of a dividend paid by a company which is a resident of the Hungarian People's Republic to a company which is a resident of the United Kingdom and which controls directly or indirectly at least 10 per cent of the voting power in the company paying the dividend, the credits shall take into account (in addition to any Hungarian tax for which credit may be allowed under the provisions of subparagraph (a) of this paragraph) the Hungarian tax payable by the company in respect of the profits out of which such dividend is paid.

(2) In the Hungarian People's Republic double taxation shall be eliminated as follows:

(a) Where a resident of the Hungarian People's Republic derives income which, in accordance with the provisions of this Convention, may be taxed in the United Kingdom the Hungarian People's Republic shall, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (b) of this paragraph, exempt such income from tax but may, in calculating tax on the remaining income of that person, apply the rate of tax which would have been applicable if the exempted income had not been so exempted.

(b) Where a resident of the Hungarian People's Republic derives income which, in accordance with the provisions of Article 10 may be taxed in the United Kingdom the Hungarian People's Republic shall allow as a deduction from the tax on the income of that person an amount equal to the tax paid in the United Kingdom. Such deduction shall not, however, exceed that part of the tax, as computed before the deduction is given, which is appropriate to the income derived from the United Kingdom.

(3) For the purposes of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Article profits, income and capital gains owned by a resident of a Contracting State which may be taxed in the other Contracting State in accordance with this Convention shall be deemed to arise from sources in that other Contracting State.

**Article 24**  
**Non-discrimination**

(1) The nationals of a Contracting State shall not be subjected in the other Contracting State to any taxation or any requirement connected therewith which is other or more burdensome than the taxation and connected requirements to which nationals of that other State in the same circumstances are or may be subjected.

(2) The taxation on a permanent establishment which an enterprise of a Contracting State has in the other Contracting State shall not be less favourably levied in that other State than the taxation levied on enterprises of that other State carrying on the same activities.

This provision shall not be construed as obliging a Contracting State to grant to residents of the other Contracting State any personal allowances, reliefs and reductions for taxation purposes on account of civil status or family responsibilities which it grants to its own residents.

(3) Enterprises of a Contracting State, the capital of which is wholly or partly owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by one or more residents of the other Contracting State, shall not be subjected in the first-mentioned State to any taxation or any requirement connected therewith which is more burdensome than the taxation and connected requirements to which other similar enterprises of that first-mentioned State are or may be subjected.

(4) In this Article the term "taxation" means taxes of every kind and description.

**Article 25**  
**Mutual Agreement Procedure**

(1) Where a resident of a Contracting State considers that the actions of one or both of the Contracting States result or will result for him in taxation not in accordance with this Convention, he may, notwithstanding the remedies provided by the national laws of those States, present his case to the competent authority of the Contracting State of which he is a resident.

(2) The competent authority shall endeavour, if the objection appears to it to be justified and if it is not itself able to arrive at an appropriate solution, to resolve the case by mutual agreement with the competent authority of the other Contracting State, with a view to the avoidance of taxation not in accordance with the Convention.

(3) The competent authorities of the Contracting States shall endeavour to resolve by mutual agreement any difficulties or doubts arising as to the interpretation or application of the Convention.

(4) The competent authorities of the Contracting States may communicate with each other directly for the purpose of reaching an agreement in the sense of the preceding paragraphs.

**Article 26**  
**Exchange of Information**

(1) The competent authorities of the Contracting States shall exchange such information as is necessary for the carrying out of this Convention and of the domestic laws of the Contracting State concerning taxes covered by this Convention. Any information so exchanged shall be treated as secret and shall not be disclosed to any persons other than persons (including a court or administrative body) concerned with the assessment or collection of, or prosecution in respect of, or the determination of appeals in relation to, the taxes which are the subject of this Convention.

(2) In no case shall the provisions of paragraph (1) be construed so as to impose on the competent authority of either Contracting State the obligation:

- (a) to carry out administrative measures at variance with the laws or administrative practice prevailing in either Contracting State;
- (b) to supply particulars which are not obtainable under the laws or in the normal course of the administration of that or of the other Contracting State;
- (c) to supply information which would disclose any trade, business, industrial, commercial or professional secret or trade process, or information, the disclosure of which would be contrary to public policy (ordre public).

**Article 27**  
**Members of Diplomatic or Consular Missions**

(1) Nothing in this Convention shall affect the fiscal privileges of members of diplomatic or consular missions under the general rules of international law or under the provisions of special agreements.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of Article 4, an individual who is a member of the diplomatic, consular or permanent mission of a Contracting State or any third State which is situated in the other Contracting State and who is subject to tax in that other State only if he derives income from sources therein, shall not be deemed to be a resident of that other State.

## **Article 28**

### **Entry Into Force**

(1) This Convention shall be ratified and the instruments of ratification exchanged at London as soon as possible.

(2) This Convention shall enter into force immediately after the expiration of sixty days following the date on which the instruments of ratification are exchanged and shall thereupon have effect:

(a) in the United Kingdom:

(i) in respect of income tax and capital gains tax, for any year of assessment beginning on or after 6 April, in the calendar year next following that in which the instruments of ratification are exchanged;

(ii) in respect of corporation tax, for any financial year beginning on or after 1 April in the calendar year next following that in which the instruments of ratification are exchanged;

(iii) in respect of development land tax, for any realised development value accruing on or after 1 April in the calendar year next following that in which the instruments of ratification are exchanged; and

(b) in the Hungarian People's Republic: for any tax year beginning on or after 1 January in the calendar year next following that in which the instruments of ratification are exchanged.

(3) The Agreement between the Governments of the Contracting States for the Avoidance of Double Taxation of Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees, signed at Budapest on 5 June 1975, shall cease to have effect in relation to any tax for any period for which the present Convention has effect as respects that tax. However, where any greater relief from tax would have been afforded by any provision of the Agreement than is due under this Convention, any such provisions as aforesaid shall continue to have effect for any year of assessment or tax year beginning not more than three years after the date of entry into force of this Convention.

## **Article 29 Termination**

This Convention shall remain in force until terminated by one of the Contracting States. Either Contracting State may terminate the Convention, through diplomatic channels, by giving notice of termination at least six months before the end of any calendar year beginning after the expiration of five years from the date of entry into force of the Convention. In such event, the Convention shall cease to have effect:

(a) in the United Kingdom:

(i) in respect of income tax and capital gains tax, for the year of assessment beginning on 6 April in the calendar year next following that in which the notice is given and subsequent years of assessment;

(ii) in respect of corporation tax, for the financial year beginning on 1 April in the calendar year next following that in which the notice is given and subsequent financial years;

(iii) in respect of development land tax, for any realised development value accruing on or after 1 April in the calendar year next following that in which the notice is given and subsequent calendar years; and

(b) in the Hungarian People's Republic: for the tax year beginning on 1 January in the calendar year next following that in which the notice is given and subsequent tax years.

In witness whereof the undersigned, duly authorised thereto, have signed this Convention.

Done in duplicate at Budapest this twenty-eighth day of November 1977, in the English and Hungarian languages, both texts being equally authoritative.

**FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM OF  
GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN  
IRELAND**

*Richard Parsons*

**FOR THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S  
REPUBLIC**

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