
INTERNATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY AGENCY

First Session of the Assembly

Abu Dhabi, 4 - 5 April 2011

Agenda item 16

**Decision on an Agreement on Privileges and Immunities for the
International Renewable Energy Agency**

The Assembly of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), at its first session;

Recalling that Article XIII, paragraph B of the Statute of IRENA provides that Members shall decide upon a separate agreement on privileges and immunities;

Recalling also that paragraph 10(h) of the Resolution on Establishing a Preparatory Commission for the International Renewable Energy Agency gave mandate to the Commission to prepare such reports, studies and recommendations as it deems relevant to ensure the effective and early start of the Agency's activities;

Emphasizing the need to ensure that IRENA enjoys privileges and immunities similar to those granted to other international organisations in order to assist IRENA in promoting in a broad range of countries the widespread and increased adoption and use of renewable energy with a view to sustainable development;

Considering that, to this end, it is desirable that an agreement on privileges and immunities be approved as early as possible by the Assembly so that the process of ratification or accession by Members can be conducted as required for the agreement to enter into force;

Having considered the recommendation of the Preparatory Commission to the Assembly on this matter (PC.5/DC.8);

Acting pursuant to Article IX, paragraph A of the IRENA Statute;

1. *Requests* the Director-General to submit a draft agreement on privileges and immunities for the International Renewable Energy Agency to the Council for its consideration at its first session or as soon as possible thereafter;

2. *Requests* the Council to submit to the second session of the Assembly a draft agreement on privileges and immunities for approval and decision.