(f) the term "official activities of the Office" includes its administrative activities and those undertaken pursuant to the International Agreement;

(g) the term "officials of the Office" means the Representative of the Office and other officials of the Office, appointed by the Director General under Article 8 of the Appendix to the International Agreement;

(h) the term "Representative of the Office" means the Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific of the World Organisation for Animal Health and includes officials of the Office other than the Representative of the Office when acting in place of the Representative of the Office in his/her absence;

(i) the term "Director General" means the Director General of the OIE and includes officials of the OIE other than the Director General when acting in place of the Director General in his/her absence;

(j) the term "dependants" means the spouse of the officials of the Office and his/her children below the age of 20 and includes children aged 20 and above if they are mentally or physically incapacitated and thus incapable of self-support.

Article 2

The Office shall have legal personality. It shall have the capacity:

(a) to contract;

(b) to acquire and dispose of immovable and movable property; and

(c) to institute legal proceedings.

Article 3

The archives of the Office shall be inviolable. They include all records, correspondence, documents, manuscripts, photographs, films and recordings belonging to or held by the Office.

Article 4

1. The premises shall be inviolable. The Government shall use its best efforts within the laws and regulations of Japan to protect the premises against any person or group of persons attempting unauthorized entry into the premises or purposely disturbing the tranquility of the premises in their immediate vicinity. No official of the Government or persons exercising any public authority within Japan shall enter the premises to perform any official duties therein except with the consent of, and under the conditions agreed to by, the Representative of the Office or at his/her request. Such consent shall be assumed in case of fire or other emergencies requiring prompt protective action.

2. The Office shall not permit the premises to be used as a refuge by persons who are avoiding arrest under any law of Japan, who are required by the Government for extradition to another country, or who are endeavoring to avoid service of legal process.

Article 5

1. The Government shall use its best efforts, in consultation with the Office, to ensure that the premises shall be supplied with the necessary public utilities and services, including electricity, water, sewerage, gas, post, telephone, public transportation, drainage, collection of refuse and fire protection, and that such public utilities and services shall be supplied on equitable terms.

2. The Office shall, upon request, make suitable arrangements to enable the appropriate public utility and service bodies to inspect, repair, maintain, reconstruct and relocate utilities, conduits, mains and sewers within the premises.

Article 6

1. The Office shall enjoy immunity from every form of legal process except in any particular case in which the Director General has expressly waived the immunity of the Office. It is, however, understood that no such waiver of immunity shall imply waiver of immunity in respect of the execution of judgment, for which a separate waiver by the Director General shall be necessary.