

THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 35

July 10, 1997

THE COMMISSION FOR THE UNITED NATIONS, THE CONSULAR CORPS AND PROTOCOL

WHEREAS, it is essential to the City of New York that excellent relations be maintained between the personnel of the United Nations and the various foreign consulates and the people of the City of New York; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this objective the City provides to the personnel of the United Nations and the Consular Corps information about City services, as well as other forms of guidance, assistance and referrals;

WHEREAS, there exists a need to provide a sensitive response to matters of protocol and to maintain an economical and effective operating structure to plan, coordinate and direct official receptions and ceremonies;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. There is hereby established in the Office of the Mayor a Commission for the United Nations, the Consular Corps and Protocol.

Section 2. The Commission shall be headed by a Commissioner for the United Nations, the Consular Corps and Protocol. The Commissioner shall serve without salary and at the pleasure of the Mayor, and be the Mayor's personal representative.

Section 3. The Commissioner shall have the following duties:

- a. Promoting the role of the City of New York as the headquarters of the United Nations, and for this and related purposes, maintaining close liaison with the United Nations Secretariat and the individual delegates and United Nations personnel.
- b. Promoting the role of the City of New York as one of the main centers of Foreign Consulates, maintaining close liaison with the Consular Corps.

- c. Acting for the Mayor as official ambassador to heads of state, distinguished visitors, and other dignitaries.
- d. Acting as special advisor to the Mayor on all matters involving the ceremonial forms and courtesies in the official City greeting of heads of state and distinguished visitors.
 - e. Representing the Mayor at designated receptions and ceremonies.
- f. Maintaining liaison and coordination with the United States Department of State and the United States Mission to the United Nations with regard to issues related to the United Nations, the Consular Corps, and official and unofficial visits to the City of New York by heads of state and other dignitaries.
- g. Informing United Nations and Consular Corps officials of services available to them from the various City agencies and assisting in making those services available.
- h. Assisting the diplomatic community to become familiar with and obtain access to services available in the City, especially in the areas of education, health, hospitals, and housing, in both the public and private sectors.
- i. Working with voluntary neighborhood and community organizations on matters related to the United Nations and the Consular Corps.
- j. Working with the Consular Corps and the international business community to assist in the enhancement of the City's role in international trade and commerce.
- k. Maintaining contact with the Office of Special Projects and Community Events in connection with the scheduling of all official visits, and related operational requirements.
 - 1. Participating in the planning of itineraries and programs for foreign visitors.
 - m. Establishing guidelines on matters of protocol.
 - n. Directing, planning, and coordinating all activities of the Commission.

Section 4. The following Executive Orders are hereby superseded: Executive Order No. 6, dated April 8, 1994; Executive Order No. 76, dated April 30, 1984; and Executive Order No. 7, dated April 10, 1970.

Section 5. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Rudolph W. Giuliani

Mayor