## MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF FINLAND



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## **CIRCULAR NOTE**

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs present their compliments to the Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations accredited to Helsinki and have the honour to inform them that an updated version of the handbook *Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities in Finland* is available on the web site of the Ministry at www.formin.finland.fi (please choose in English  $\rightarrow$  Services and financial support  $\rightarrow$  For diplomats).

The update concerns especially the new application process for refund of value added tax (section 3.9). It includes also models of the new tax forms (Annexes 2-6) which have been taken into use because of the changes in the Finnish tax administration. Section 9.12 includes a short overview of the Finnish education system.

Missions and their members are requested to acquaint themselves with the contents of the handbook.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations accredited to Helsinki the assurances of their highest consideration.

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