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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 1997

Referred to the Committee on International Relations

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## AN ACT

To extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to  
Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN PRIVILEGES, EXEMP-**  
2 **TIONS, AND IMMUNITIES TO HONG KONG**  
3 **ECONOMIC AND TRADE OFFICES.**

4 (a) APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZA-  
5 TIONS IMMUNITIES ACT.—The provisions of the Inter-  
6 national Organizations Immunities Act (22 U.S.C. 288 et  
7 seq.) may be extended to the Hong Kong Economic and  
8 Trade Offices in the same manner, to the same extent,  
9 and subject to the same conditions as such provisions may  
10 be extended to a public international organization in which  
11 the United States participates pursuant to any treaty or  
12 under the authority of any Act of Congress authorizing  
13 such participation or making an appropriation for such  
14 participation.

15 (b) APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT  
16 ON CERTAIN STATE AND LOCAL TAXATION.—The Presi-  
17 dent is authorized to apply the provisions of Article I of  
18 the Agreement on State and Local Taxation of Foreign  
19 Employees of Public International Organizations, done at  
20 Washington on April 21, 1994, to the Hong Kong Eco-  
21 nomic and Trade Offices.

1       (c) DEFINITION.—The term “Hong Kong Economic  
2 and Trade Offices” refers to Hong Kong’s official eco-  
3 nomic and trade missions in the United States.

Passed the Senate May 20, 1997.

Attest:

GARY SISCO,  
*Secretary.*