Diplomatic and Consular Law
Exam Topics

1. Diplomacy, diplomatic law, its evolution and codification.
2. Actors exercising diplomacy.
3. Head of State, Head of Government, Minister of Foreign Affairs. Their position, competence and immunities.
4. Establishment, severance and termination of diplomatic relations.
5. Diplomatic mission. Functions, privileges and immunities. Members of a diplomatic mission.
6. Head of the mission. Classes, *agrément*, credentials, accreditation and process of assumption of the function. *Persona non grata*.
7. Diplomatic agent. Diplomatic ranks. Privileges and immunities.
8. Diplomatic bag. Diplomatic courier.
9. Obligations of third states under the VCDR (1961).
10. Diplomatic body /*Corps diplomatique*/. Protocol and precedence. Practice of the Slovak Republic.
11. Diplomatic asylum.
12. Multilateral diplomacy. Permanent missions to international organizations and delegations to conferences. Legal framework. Privileges and immunities.
13. Diplomacy of the United Nations. United Nations agents. Privileges and immunities. Precedence within General Assembly.
14. Special missions. Privileges and immunities.
15. Consular law, its evolutions and codification.
16. Consular relations. Establishment, conduct and termination.
17. Consular post and consular district. Functions, privileges and immunities.
18. Head of consular post. Classes, *exequatur*, appointment and taking up of the function. *Persona non grata*.
19. Consular officers. Privileges and immunities.
20. Consular body /*Corps consulaire*/. Precedence.
21. Obligations of third states under the VCCR (1963).
22. Honorary consuls.
23. Protection of persons having international statute. Prevention and repression of crimes against them.
24. European Union diplomacy. Privileges and immunities. European External Action Service.

Examination: written form, 15 test questions, 30 minutes

Materials and documents
Compulsory:

- Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations 1961; http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/texts/instruments/english/conventions/9_1_1961.pdf

- Vienna Convention on Consular Relations 1963; http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/texts/instruments/english/conventions/9_2_1963.pdf
- Vienna Convention on the Representation of States in their Relations with International Organizations of a Universal Character 1975; http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/texts/instruments/english/conventions/5_1_1975.pdf
- Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations 1946; http://treaties.un.org/doc/Treaties/1946/12/19461214%2010-17%20PM/Ch_III_1p.pdf
- Convention on Special Missions 1969; http://treaties.un.org/doc/Publication/UNTS/Volume%201400/volume-1400-I-23431-English.pdf
- Convention on Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons 1973; http://treaties.un.org/doc/db/Terrorism/english-18-7.pdf
- Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the European Union; http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2004:310:0261:0266:EN:PDF

Recommended:

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