Chapter IX

IMMUNITY OF STATE OFFICIALS FROM FOREIGN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION

A. Introduction

341. The Commission, at its fifty-ninth session (2007), decided to include the topic “Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction” in its programme of work and appointed Mr. Roman A. Kolodkin as Special Rapporteur. At the same session, the Commission requested the Secretariat to prepare a background study on the topic.

342. At its sixtieth session (2008), the Commission considered the preliminary report of the Special Rapporteur. The Commission had also before it a memorandum by the Secretariat on the topic. In the absence of a further report, the Commission was unable to consider the topic at its sixty-first session (2009).

B. Consideration of the topic at the present session

343. At the present session, the Commission was not in a position to consider the second report of the Special Rapporteur, which was submitted to the Secretariat (A/CN.4/631).