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Section 87A - DEFINITIONS OF "FOREIGN STATE" AND "RULER"

1) In this Part,-- (a) "foreign State" means any State outside India which has been recognised by the Central Government; and (b) "Ruler" in relation to a foreign State, means the person who is for the time being recognised by the Central Government to be the head of that State. (2) Every court shall take judicial notice of the fact-- (a) that a State has or has not been recognised by the Central Government; (b) that a person has or has not been recognised by the Central Government to be the head of a State. SUITS AGAINST RULERS OF FORMER INDIAN STATES