PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT - MEANING & UAE PE DESIGN PRINCIPLE



IMPORTANCE OF PE

Sufficient presence in UAE to warrant taxation of business profits in UAE

Designing Principle

OECD Model Tax Convention - Article

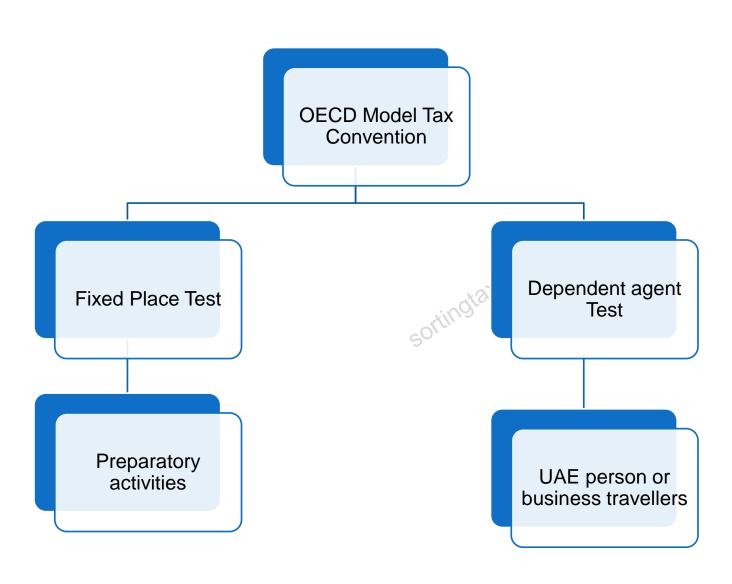
Why OECD Model Convention

- Most UAE Treaty on OECD Model
- Extensive Commentary Available

Same PE rules and principles will apply to determine PE of a Free Zone Person in mainland UAE.

TEST FOR PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT





Detailed guidance available



PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT – FIXED PLACE BUSINESS **TEST**



Place of management

Branch

Office ((including a temporary field office or an employee's home office)

Factory

Workshop or real property

Building site where activities are carried on for over 6 (six) months







FIXED PLACE OF BUSINESS - PLACES COVERED



Installations and structures used in the exploration of natural resources

Mines

Other places of extraction of natural resources

Oil or Gas Wells

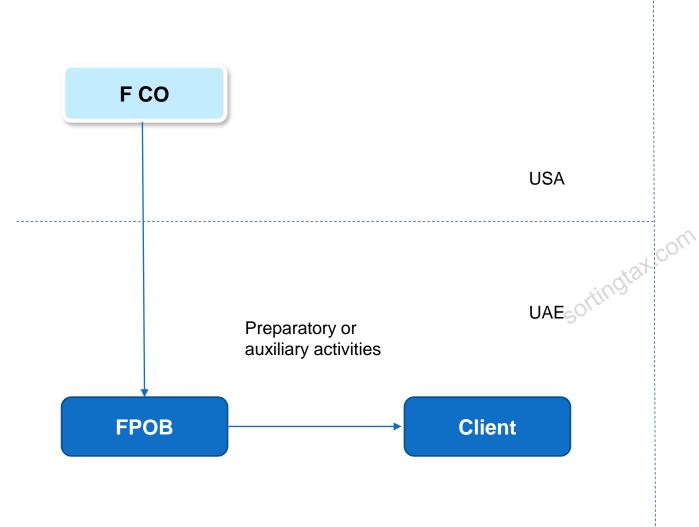






PE EXCLUSION - PREPARATORY OR AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES





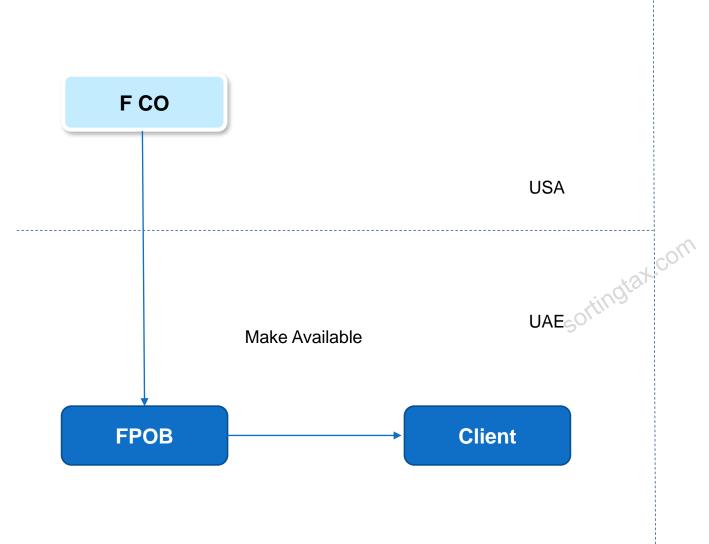
- Preparatory and auxiliary activities include :
 - marketing promotional Limited and activities,
 - Performing market research; and
 - Attending seminars or conventions.





PE EXCLUSION - STORAGE, DISPLAY OR DELIVER GOODS





- Permissible activities : -
 - Store of goods
 - Display of goods
 - Deliver the foreign company's goods
 - Keeping a stock of goods

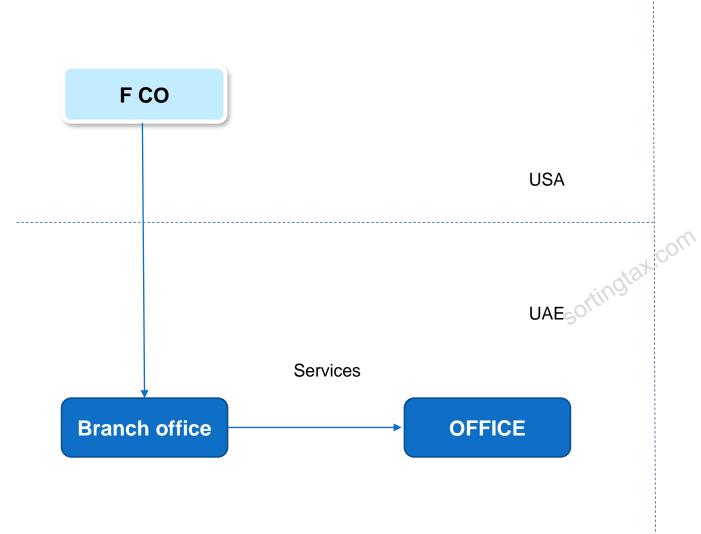






PE CASE STUDY 1 – FIXED PLACE BUSINESS TEST





- FCO , is engaged in providing consulting services in the UAE, through a Branch office
 - FCO employees are working from a branch office in the UAE
 - Branch provides certain service to clients in the UAE
 - Part of the service are provided by overseas employees of FCO

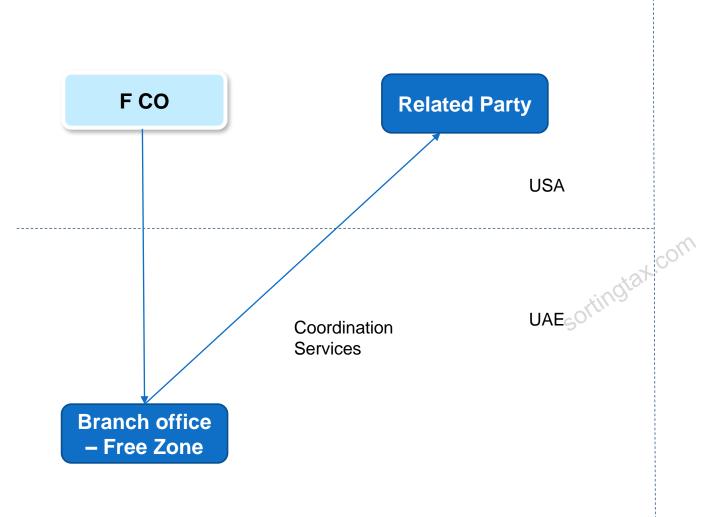






PE CASE STUDY 2 – FIXED PLACE BUSINESS TEST





- FCO, has a Branch office in the UAE Free Zone: -
 - Branch Office provides coordination services in connection with trading of goods by an Indian company, outside the UAE: -
 - Both Buyer and Seller of Goods are based outside UAE

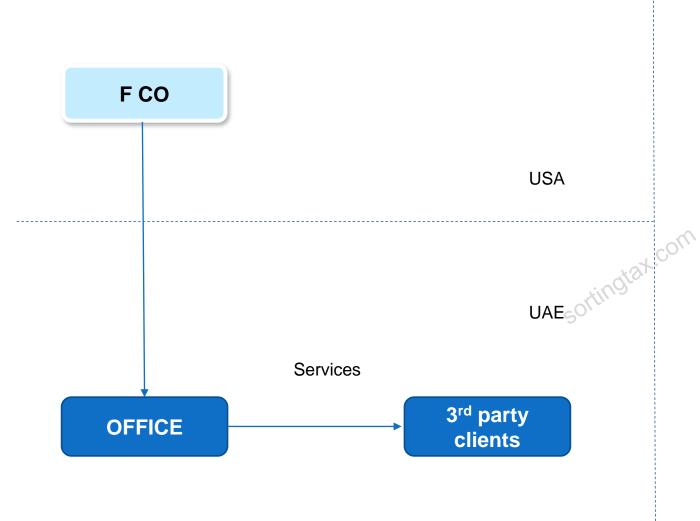






PE CASE STUDY 3 - FIXED PLACE BUSINESS TEST





- FCO , is engaged in providing consulting services in the UAE , through an office space :
 - FCO provides service to certain clients in the UAE
 - FCO provides coordination services in connection with trading of goods by an Indian company, outside the UAE

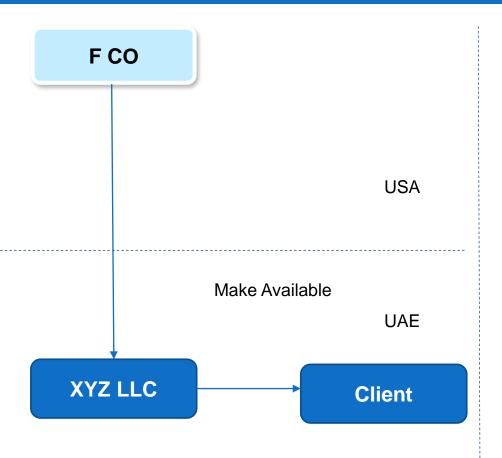






DEPENDENT AGENT PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT





- Who all can be "dependent agent" in the UAE : -
 - Travelers ;
 - UAE based persons
- When will they result in being can be "dependent agent" : -
 - Act on behalf of the foreign company in the UAE;
 - Have, and habitually exercise, the authority to conclude contracts in the name of foreign company

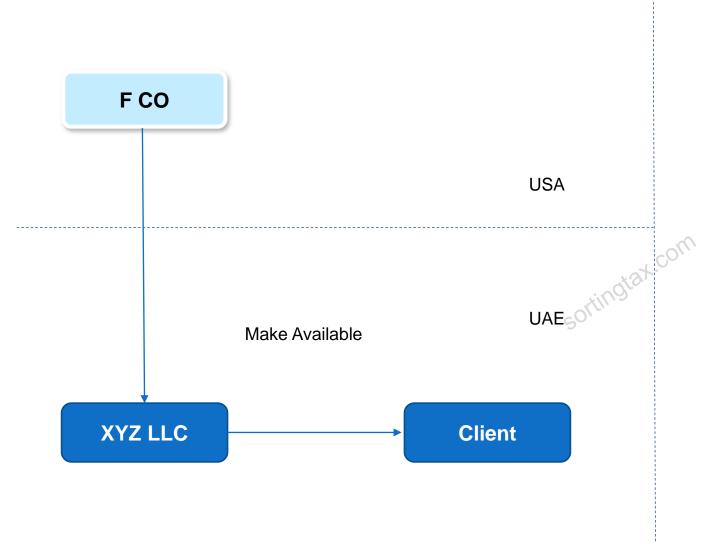






DEPENDENT AGENT - HABITUAL EXERCISE OF AUTHORITY TO CONCLUDE CONTRACT





Contract Negotiation ;

Contract Conclusion

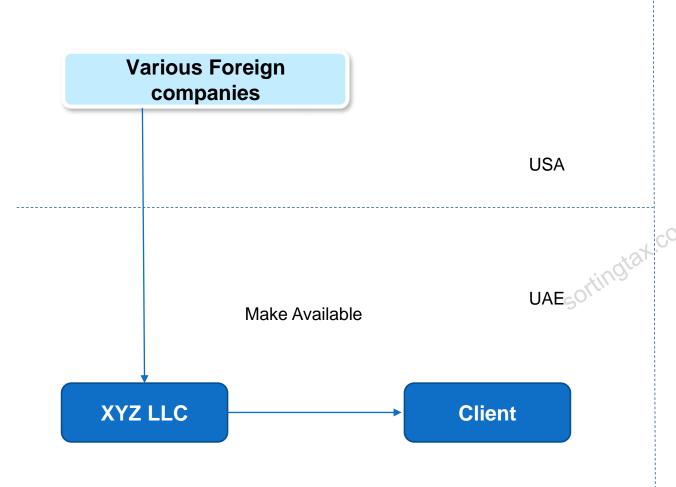
No Material intervention of the Foreign Company





INDEPENDENT AGENT - NOT CONSTITUTING A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT





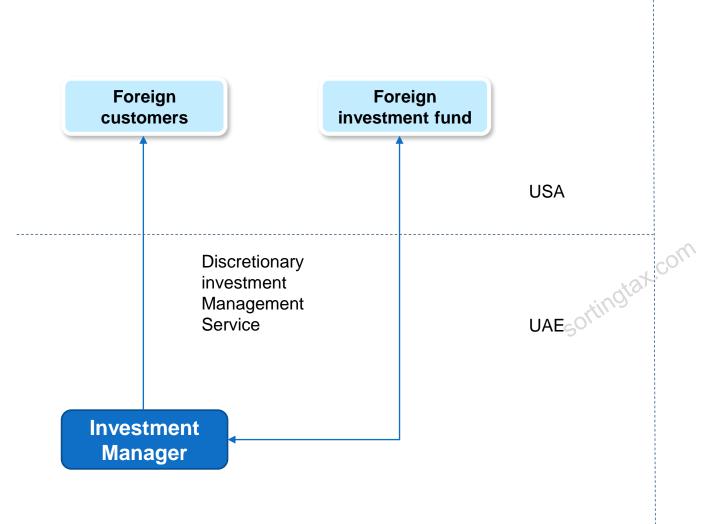
- Person would constitute independent agent where : -
 - Foreign company's business is carried out in the UAE in the ordinary course of their own business
 - Person does not work exclusively for the foreign company
 - Truly legally independent from the foreign company.
 - Truly economically independent from the foreign company.





INVESTMENT MANAGER PE - EXEMPTION TO INVESTMENT MANAGER





- Investment Manager would not constitute PE where : -
 - They are regulated investment managers
 - Discretionary investment management services





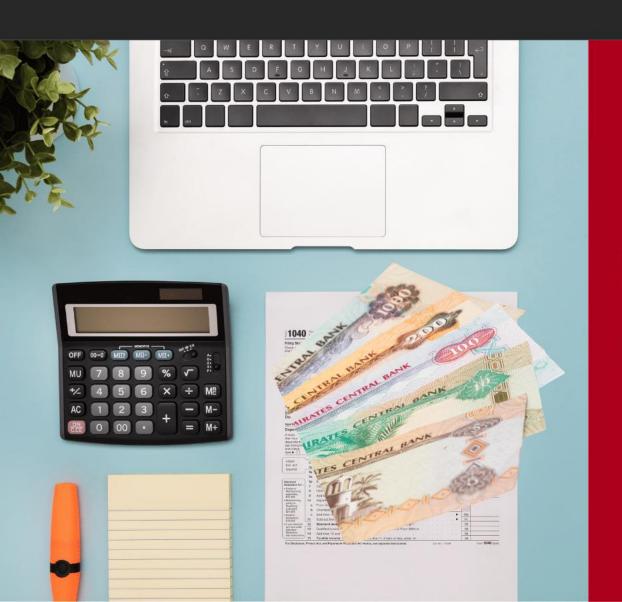


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