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N.B Unless otherwise stated, the dates herein are the dates of deposit of the ratifications, etc. and are not necessarily effective dates, which must normally be determined from the terms of the treaties concerned.

Declarations, reservations etc. are given only in English, being either the texts of the originals or, alternatively, translations, from foreign language texts. In the latter case, the translations given are not in all cases official or authoritative; for an authoritative statement, the foreign language text of the original should be consulted.

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	Date	Treaty Series and Command Nos
ANIMALS & CONSERVATION		- Communic 1100
Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals	Bonn 23 June, 1979 -22 June, 1980	087/1990 Cm 1332
Accession- Estonia	09 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Estonia	30 Oct., 2008	
Convention on Biological Diversity	Rio de Janeiro 05 June, 1992 -14 June, 1992	051/1995 Cm 2915
Accession- Brunei Darussalam	28 Apr., 2008	
Entry into Force- Brunei Darussalam	27 July, 2008	
Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds	The Hague 15 Aug, 1996	013/2003 Cm 5784
Accession- Cyprus	19 June, 2008 25 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Cyprus	01 Sep., 2002 01 Sep., 2002	
Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels	Canberra 19 Jun 2001	038/2004 CM 6333
Ratification - Brazil	03 Sep., 2008	

		Date	Treaty Series and Command Nos.
ANIMALS & CONSERVATION (co	ntinued)		
Entry into Force-Brazil .		01 Dec., 2008	
AVIATION			
(i) Convention supplementary to the Unification of Certain Rules Relative Air Performed by a Person other	ating to International Carriage by	Mexico 18 Sep., 1961	023/1964 Cm 2354
(ii) Convention supplementary to the Unification of Certain Rules Relative Air Performed by a Person other	ating to International Carriage by	Guadalajara 18 Sep., 1961	023/1964 Cmnd 2354
Accession- Malaysia		17 Jan., 2008	
Entry into Force- Myanmar		16 Apr., 2008	
COMPENSATION			
European Convention on the Comp Crimes [ETS No. 116]	pensation of Victims of Violent	Strasbourg 05 Mar., 2008	010/1991 Cm 1427
Ratification- Croatia (with declaration*)		04 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Croatia		01 Nov., 2008	
Declaration* In accordance with Article of Croatia designates the Ministry of as a central authority to receive required connection with the matters covered Protocol of 1992 to amend the Interfacility for Oil Pollution Dama	by the Convention. national Convention on Civil	London 27 Nov., 1992	086/1996 Cm 3432
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Accession- Ecuador Mongolia Ukraine		11 Dec., 2007 08 Aug., 2008 29 Nov., 2007	
Entry into Force- Ecuador Mongolia Ukraine		11 Dec., 2008 08 Aug., 2009 29 Nov., 2008	

	Date	Treaty Series and Command Nos.
CULTURAL PROPERTY		
Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property	Adopted Paris 14 Nov., 1970	010/2003 Cm 5764
Note On 17 April 2008, the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), as depositary, received from the government of <i>Denmark</i> , a declaration with regard to the territorial statement made upon ratification, as follows;		
" the Government of the Faroes has expressed the wish that the Faroes be covered by the said convention. Denmark therefore withdraws its temporary reservation made upon ratification of the Convention to the effect that until further notice the Convention should not apply to the Faroes."		
CUSTOMS		
Convention establishing a Customs Co-operation Council	Brussels 15 Dec., 1950	050/1954 Cmd. 9232
Accession-Bosnia and Herzegovina	04 July, 2008	
Entry into Force-Bosnia and Herzegovina	04 July, 2008	
DIPLOMATIC & CONSULAR RELATIONS		
Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents	New York 14 Dec., 1973 -31 Dec., 1974	003/1980 Cmnd 7765
Accession- St Kitts and Nevis	28 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- St Kitts and Nevis	27 Aug., 2008	
Optional Protocol concerning the Compulsory Settlement of Disputes	Vienna 24 Apr., 1963 -31 Oct, 1963	014/1973 Cmnd 5219
Accession- Botswana	12 May, 2008	
Entry into Force- Botswana	11 June, 2008	

		Date	Treaty Series and Command Nos.
DISARMAN	MENT		
Conve	on on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of certain entional Weapons which may be deemed to be excessively ous or to have indiscriminate effects	New York 10 Apr., 1981 -10 Apr., 1982	105/1996 Cm 3497
Accession (n- Guinea Bissau	06 Aug., 2008	
Entry into	Force- Guinea Bissau	06 Feb., 2009	
DISPUTES			
Conventi	on for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes	The Hague 18 Oct., 1907	006/1971 Cmnd 4575
Accession E	1- Bahrain	30 June, 2008	
Entry into E	Force- Bahrain	29 Aug., 2008	
FREEDOM	OF INFORMATION		
Europear	1 Convention on Information on Foreign Law [ETS No. 62]	London 07 June, 1968	117/1969 Cmnd 4229
Europe, a	On 27 June 2008, the Secretary–General of the Council of s depositary, received from the government of <i>Georgia</i> , a cation, designation of the receiving and transmitting agency s:		
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	Notification made in accordance with Article 21 of the Convention.		
Note-			
Europe, a	On 09 June 2008, the Secretary–General of the Council of s depositary, received from the government of <i>Latvia</i> , a cation, designation of competence authority as follows:		

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (continued)		
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HEALTH		
Framework Convention on Tobacco Control	Geneva 21 May, 2003	013/2005 Cm 6514
Ratification-		
Croatia	14 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Croatia	12 Oct., 2008	
HUMAN RIGHTS		
Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms [ETS No. 005]	Rome 04 Nov., 1950	071/1953 Cmd. 8969
Note- On 17 March 2008, the Secretary–General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received from the government of <i>Armenia</i> , a declaration, as follows:		
Annex to the Note verbale JJ6652C dated 17 March 2008		
ETS NO. 5 - Article 15		
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA		
N° 14/03328		
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia presents its compliments to HE Mr. Terry Davis, Secretary General of the Council of Europe, and, pursuant to Article 15 of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 5), has the honour to forward, herewith, the Decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia on Amendments in NH-35-N Decree of 01 March 2008.		
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia avails itself of this opportunity to renew to HE Mr Terry Davis, Secretary General of the Council of Europe, the assurances of its highest consideration.		
(sceal) Yerevan, 13 March 2008		

Treaty Series and Command Nos.

HUMAN RIGHTS (continued)

Decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia

On Amendments to the Decree No. NH-35-N of 01 March 2008

Guided by paragraph 14 of Article 55 and paragraph 6 of Article 117 of the Constitution of the Republic of Armenia, I decree:

- 1. In paragraph 4 of the NH-35-N Decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia on Declaration of the State of Emergency of 1 March 2008:
 - 1) To revise point 4 of paragraph 4 to read as follows:
- "4) Ban on publication or dissemination by mass media outlets of obviously false or destabilising information on State and internal issues, or of calls to participate in unsanctioned (illegal) activities, as well as publication and dissemination of such information and calls by any other means and forms."
 - 2) To declare null and void point 5 of paragraph 4.
- 2. The decree comes into force from 14 March 2008.

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA R. KOCHARIAN

13 March 2008 Yerevan No. NH-38-N

Note-

On 17 March 2008, the Secretary–General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received from the government of *Armenia*, a declaration, as follows:

Annex to the Note verbale JJ6653C dated 25 March 2008 ETS NO. 5 - Article 15

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

W 14/03792

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia presents its compliments to H.E. Mr Terry Davis, Secretary General of the Council of Europe, and, referring to its Notes Verbales of 2, 10 and 13 March 2008, has the honour to inform him that, in accordance with paragraph 1 of the Decree NH-35-N of the President of the Republic of Armenia, dated 1 March 2008, the state of emergency in the city of Yerevan has been lifted as of 24:00, on 20 March 2008.

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HUMAN RIGHTS (continued)		
The Republic of Armenia declares the termination of all derogation's from the provisions of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 5).		
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia avails itself of this opportunity to renew to H.E. Mr Terry Davis, Secretary General of the Council of Europe, the assurances of its highest consideration.		
Yerevan, 21 March 2008		
Slavery Convention Signed at Geneva on the 25th of September, 1926, as amended by the Protocol agreed at New York on the 7th of December 1953 [together with the Protocol of the 7th December 1953 and the Annex to that Protocol]	New York 07 Dec., 1953	024/1956 Cmnd 9797
On 1 May 2008 and by virtue of the simultaneous accession to the 1926 Convention and the Protocol, Kazakhstan became a Party to the Slavery Convention signed at Geneva on 25 September 1926 and amended by the Protocol done at the Headquarters of the United Nations, New York, on 7 December 1953.		
(i) Protocol amending the Slavery Convention signed at Geneva on 25 September 1926	New York 07 Dec., 1953	024/1956 Cmnd 9797
(ii) Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade and Institutions and Practices similar to Slavery, Supplementary to the International Convention signed at Geneva on September 25, 1926	Geneva 07 Sep., 1956	059/1957 Cmnd 257
Accession- Kazakhstan	01 May, 2008	
Entry into Force- Kazakhstan	01 May, 2008	
International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	New York 19 Dec., 1966	006/1977 Cmnd 6702
Accession- Papua New Guinea	21 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Papua New Guinea	21 Oct., 2008	

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HUMAN RIGHTS (continued) International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	Adopted New York 16 Dec., 1966	006/1977 Cmnd 6702
Accession- Papua New Guinea	21 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Papua New Guinea	21 Oct., 2008	
Note- On 08 May 2008, the Secretary–General of the United Nations, as depositary, received from the government of <i>Peru</i> , a notification, made under article 4(3) of the above convention, as follows; [Translation Original: Spanish] The Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations and, in accordance with article 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, has the honour to inform it that, by Supreme Decree No. 019-2008-PCM, issued on 4 May 2008 (copy attached), the state of emergency in Cholón district of the Province of Marañón, in Monzón district of the Province of Huamalies and in the Province of Leoncio Prado, Department of Huánuco; the Province of Tocache, Department of San Martin; and the Province of Padre Abad, Department of Ucayali, has been extended for a period of 60 days, beginning 6 May 2008. A previous extension was communicated in Note 7-1-SG/09 of 12 March 2008. During the state of emergency, the rights to inviolability of the home, freedom of movement, freedom of assembly and liberty and security of person, which are recognised in article 2, paragraphs 9, 11, 12 and 24 (f) of the Political Constitution of Peru and in articles 17, 12,21 and 9 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, respectively, will be suspended. European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages [ETS No. 148] Note- On 28 June 2008, the Secretary–General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received from the government of Hungary, a declaration, as follows; The Government of the Republic of Hungary, based on the authorisation of the Parliament and according to Article 2, paragraph 2, of the Charter, undertakes to apply the following provisions in respect of the Romani language:	Strasbourg 05 Nov., 1992	048/2001 Cm 5269

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HUMAN RIGHTS (continued)

Article 8

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (iii), b (iv), c (iv), d (iv), e (iii), f (iii), g, h, i Paragraph 2

Article 9

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (ii) (iii) (iv), b (ii) (iii), c (ii) (iii) Paragraph 2, sub-paragraph c

Article 10

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (iv), b, c Paragraph 2, sub-paragraphs b, e, f, g Paragraph 3, sub-paragraph c Paragraph 4, sub-paragraphs a, c

Article 11

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (ii), b (ii), c (ii), d, e (ii), f (ii), g Paragraph 3

Article 12

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a, b, c, d, f, g Paragraph 2 Paragraph 3

Article 13

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a, c Paragraph 2, sub-paragraph c

Article 14

Paragraph a

Paragraph b

The Government of the Republic of Hungary, based on the authorisation of the Parliament and according to Article 2, paragraph 2, of the Charter, undertakes to apply the following provisions in respect of the Beás language:

Article 8

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (iv), b (iv), c (iv), d (iv), e (iii), f (iii), g, h, i Paragraph 2

Article 9

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (ii) (iii) (iv), b (ii) (iii), c (ii) (iii) Paragraph 2, sub-paragraph c

Article 10

Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (v), c Paragraph 2, sub-paragraphs b, e, f, g Paragraph 3, sub-paragraph c Paragraph 4, sub-paragraphs a, c

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HUMAN RIGHTS (continued)		
Article 11 Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a (iii), b (ii), c (ii), e (ii), f (i), g Paragraph 3		
Article 12 Paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs a, b, c, d, f, g Paragraph 2, Paragraph 3		
Article 13 Paragraph 1, sub-paragraph a Paragraph 2, sub-paragraph c		
Article 14 Paragraph a Paragraph b		
The application of the Charter in respect of these two languages took effect on 28 June 2008.		
Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict	New York 25 May, 2000	048/2003 Cm 6065
Ratification- Burundi (with declaration*)	24 June, 2008	
Accession- Iraq (with declaration+)	24 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Burundi	24 July, 2008 24 July, 2008	
Declaration* [Translation Original: French]		
The Government of the Republic of Burundi with regard to Article 3 of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict, the Government of the Republic of Burundi declares that the minimum age at which it permits voluntary recruitment into its national defence forces is eighteen (18) years (cf. article 1 of Act no. 67-8000 October 1963 on recruitment in the Republic of Burundi).		
The Government of the Republic of Burundi further notes that it has adopted the following safeguards to ensure that such recruitment is neither forced nor coerced:		
(a) Recruitment into the national defence forces and the national police of Burundi is initiated through announcements in the national media for young men and women;		
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(b) Prospective recruits are required to provide, inter alia, a birth certificate, proof of school attendance, and/or apprenticeship certificate;		
(c) The enlistment ceremony for young people is conducted in public, at a sports field or other similar venue;	n	
(d) All recruits undergo a thorough medical examination.		
Declaration+		
[Translation Original: Arabic]		
The Government of the Republic of Iraq, Pursuant to article 3, paragraph 2:		
(a) Declares that the minimum age at which it permits voluntary recruitment into its national armed forces is 18 years;		
(b) Sets forth below a description of the safeguards it has adopted to ensure that such recruitment is not forced or coerced:		
 Such recruitment must be genuinely voluntary; 		
 Volunteers must present reliable proof of age prior to acceptance into the national armed forces. 		
Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nation Convention against Transnational Organised Crime	New York 15 Nov., 2000	017/2006 Cm 6881
Ratification-		
Israel (with objection *)		
Accession-		
Kazakhstan	27 7 2000	
Entry into Force-		
Israel	0,	
Kazakhstan	25.1.	
Mongolia	11.0 2000	
Objection*		
"The Government of the State of Israel has noted ^{1,2} that the		
instrument of ratification of the Algerian People's Democratic Republic of the above mentioned Protocol which appears in the Depositary Notification Ref. C.N.225.2004.TREATIES-3 of 12 March 2004, contains a declaration with respect to the State of Israel.	1	
2007, contains a deciaration with respect to the State of Israel.		

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The Government of the State of Israel considers that such declaration, which is explicitly of a political nature, is incompatible with the purposes and objectives of the Protocol.		
The Government of the State of Israel therefore objects to the aforesaid declaration made by the Algerian People's Democratic Republic."		
Refer to depositary notification C.N.225.2004.TREATIES-3 of 12 March 2004 (Algeria: Ratification).		
Refer to depositary notification C.N.532.2008.TREATIES-5 of 28 July 2008 (Israel: Ratification).		
Reservation* [Original: English]		
"The Republic of Uzbekistan does not consider itself bound by provisions of paragraph 2 of article 15 of this Protocol."		
Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, Supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime	New York 15 Nov., 2000	016/2006 Cm 6880
Accession- Kazakhstan	31 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Kazakhstan	30 Aug., 2008	
Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment	New York 18 Dec., 2002	021/2006 Cm 6913
Ratification- Guatemala	09 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Guatemala	09 July, 2008	
INTERNATIONAL COURTS OF JUSTICE		
Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	Rome 18 Dec., 2002 -17 July, 1998	035/2002 Cm 5590
Accession- Cook Islands	18 July, 2008 18 July, 2008	

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INTERNATIONAL COURTS OF JU	USTICE (continued)		
Entry into Force- Cook Islands Suriname		01 Oct., 2008 01 Oct., 2008	
INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORG	ANISATION CONVENTIONS		
Convention concerning the Prohibi Elimination of the Worst Forms		Geneva 18 Dec., 2002 -17 June, 1999	037/2001 Cm 5213
Extension- Falkland Islands		14 May, 2008	
Entry into Force- Falkland Islands		14 May, 2008	
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY			
Microorganisms for the Purposes of	of Patent Procedure	Budapest 28 Apr., 1977 -31 Dec., 1977	005/1981 Cmnd 8136
Accession- Costa Rica Jordan		30 June, 2008 14 Aug., 2008	
Entry into Force- Costa Rica Jordan		30 Sep., 2008 14 Nov., 2008	
	ernational Classification of Goods f the Registration of Marks of 15 llm on 14 July 1967 and at Geneva	Geneva 13 May, 1977	072/1979 Cmnd 7671
Accession- Jordan		14 Aug., 2008	
Entry into Force- Jordan		14 Nov., 2008	
	arks, Madrid, 27 June 1989 and the Agreement and Protocol, adopted	Madrid 28 June, 1989 -31 Dec., 1989	003/1997 Cm 3505
Accession- Ghana		16 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Ghana		16 Sep., 2008	

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (continued)		
Trademark Law Treaty and Reg	gulations	Geneva 27 Oct., 1994	076/1996 Cm 3348
Accession- El Salvador		14 Aug., 2008	
Entry into Force- El Salvador		14 Nov., 2008	
LAW OF THE SEA			
United Nations Convention on the	he Law of the Sea	Montego Bay, 10 Dec., 1982 -09 Dec., 1984	081/1999 Cm 4524
Ratification- Congo		09 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Congo		08 Aug, 2008	
	mentation of Part XI of the United aw of the Sea of 10 December 1982, 48/263	New York 28 July, 1994	082/1999 Cm 4525
Ratification- Cape Verde		23 Apr., 2008	
Entry into Force- Cape Verde		23 May, 2008	
Nations Convention on the L	ion of the Provisions of the United aw of the Sea of 10 December 1982 and Management of Straddling Fish Fish Stocks	New York 04 Aug., 1994	019/2004 Cm 6176
Accession- Hungary		16 May, 2008	
Entry into Force- Hungary		15 June, 2008	
LEGAL PROCEEDINGS			
	ecognition of the Legal Personality of ental Organisations [ETS No. 124]	Strasbourg 24 Apr., 1986	041/1991 Cm 1593
On 13 June 2008, the Se European Union, received a decl <i>Belgium</i> , as follows;	ecretary-General of the Council of the aration from the government of		

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LEGAL PROCEEDINGS (continued)		
In accordance with Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Convention, the competent authority is the "Greffe du Tribunal du Commerce" of the judiciary circonscription in which the organisation opens an office.		
NATIONALITY & PASSPORTS		
Convention on the Reduction of Cases of Multiple Nationality and Military Obligations in Cases of Multiple Nationality [ETS No. 43]	Strasbourg 06 May, 1963	088/1971 Cmnd 4802
Note- On 11 July 2008, the Secretary-General of the Council of European Union, as depositary, received a denunciation from the government of <i>Luxembourg</i> , as follows;		
In accordance with the Agreement on the interpretation of Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Convention, signed on 2 April 2007, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg denounces Chapter I of the Convention.		
PLANTS & PESTS		
Plant Protection Agreement for the South-East Asia and Pacific Region	Rome 27 Feb., 1956	040/1957 Cmnd 170
Note On 01 September 2008, the Director-General of the Food & Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations [FAO], as depositary, received a denunciation under Art. XII from the government of <i>United Kingdom</i> .		
The United Kingdom's denunciation shall take effect one year from the date of receipt of the notification by the Director-General of the Organisation on 01 September 2009.		
POLLUTION		
International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage	Brussels 29 Nov., 1969 -31 Dec., 1970	106/1975 Cmnd 6183
Note On 31 July 2008, the Director-General of the Food & Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations [FAO], as depositary, received a denunciation under Art. XVI from the government of the Yemen Arab Republic's.		
The Yemen Arab Republic's denunciation shall take effect one year from the date of receipt of the notification by the Director-General of the Organisation on 31 July 2009.		

POLLUTION (continued)	Date	Treaty Series and Command Nos.
Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and other Matter [London version]	London 29 Dec., 1972 -31 Dec., 1973	043/1976 Cmnd 6486
Accession- Tanzania	28 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Tanzania	27 Aug., 2008	
International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage	Brussels 29 Nov., 1969 -31 Dec, 1970	106/1975 Cmnd 6183
Acceptance- Korea Democratic People's Republic	31 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Korea Democratic People's Republic	31 July, 2008	
(i) Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer	Vienna/ New York 22 Mar., 1985 -21 Mar., 1986	001/1990 Cm 910
(ii) Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer	Montreal 16 Sep., 1987	019/1990 Cm 977
Accession- Iraq	25 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Iraq	23 Sep., 2008	
Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	Berne/ New York 23 Mar., 1989 -22 Mar., 1990	100/1995 Cm 3108
Accession- Korea Democratic People's Republic	10 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Korea Democratic People's Republic	08 Oct., 2008	
1997 Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the ozone layer, adopted at the Ninth Meeting of the Parties held at Montreal 15-17 September 1997	Montreal 17 Sep., 1997	036/2002 Cm 5593 <i>Also See</i>
Ratification- The Gambia	30 Apr., 2008	055/2002 Cm 5725

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DLLUTION (continued)			
Accession-		25 June, 2008	
Iraq		23 Julie, 2008	
Entry into Force- The Gambia Iraq		29 July, 2008 23 Sep., 2008	
	treal Protocol on Substances that Deplete Montreal on 16 September 1987	London 29 June, 1990	004/1993 Cm 2132
Accession-			
Iraq		25 June, 2008	
Entry into Force-			
Iraq		23 Sep., 2008	
the Ozone Layer, done at	treal Protocol on Substances that deplete Montreal 16 September 1987, adopted at Parties to the Montreal Protocol on the Ozone Layer	Copenhagen 23 Nov., 1992 -25 Nov., 1992	048/1995 Cm 2899
Ratification- The Gambia		30 Apr., 2008	
Accession- Iraq		25 June, 2008	
Entry into Force-			
The Gambia Iraq		29 July, 2008 23 Sep., 2008	
1997 Amendment to the Mon the Ozone Layer	treal Protocol on Substances that Deplete	Beijing 11 Dec., 1997 -03 Dec., 1999	055/2002 Cm 5725
Ratification- The Gambia		30 Apr., 2008	
The Gamoia		30 Apr., 2006	
Accession-		25.1 2000	
Iraq Mongolia		25 June, 2008 24 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- The Gambia Iraq		29 July, 2008 23 Sep., 2008	
	Nations Framework Convention on Cyoto on 11 December 1997	22 Sep., 2008 Kyoto 11 Dec., 1997	006/2005 Cm 6485
Accession- Sago Tome and Prin	ncipe	25 Apr., 2008	

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POLLUTION (continued)		
Entry into Force- Sago Tome and Principe	24 July, 2008	
Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade	Rotterdam 11 Dec., 1997 -10 Sep., 1998	046/2004 Cm 6390
Ratification- Guinea Bissau	12 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Guinea Bissau	10 Sep, 2008	
Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants	Stockholm 22 May, 2001	022/2005 Cm 6581
Ratification- El Salvador (with reservation *)	27 May, 2008 30 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- El Salvador	25 Aug., 2008 28 Oct., 2008	
Reservation* [Original: Spanish]		
The Republic of El Salvador with respect to the provisions of article 18 of this Convention, does not consider itself bound by the provisions of paragraph 2 of that article in that it does not recognise the compulsory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice.		
Declaration* [Original: Spanish]		
The Government of the Republic of Guatemala declares in accordance with article 25, paragraph 4 of the aforementioned Convention, any amendment to Annex A, B or C shall enter into force for Guatemala only after it has deposited its instrument of accession or ratification.		
Notification* [Original: Spanish]		
The Government of the Republic of Guatemala in accordance with article 9, paragraph 3 of the Convention, the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources is the designated national focal point for the tasks and elaboration of reports required under the Convention.		

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PRIVILEGES & IMMUNITIES		
Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialised Agencies of the United Nations adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on November 21, 1947	New York 21 Nov., 1947	069/1959 Cmnd 855
Note- The Government of Vanuatu, in accordance with article XI, section 43 of the Convention, has undertaken to apply the provisions of the said Convention to the following specialised agencies:		
(a) International Labour Organisation		
(b) Food and Agriculture Organisation (Second revised text of annex II)		
(c) International Civil Aviation Organisation		
(d) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation		
(e) International Monetary Fund		
(f) International Bank for Reconstruction and Development		
(g) World Health Organisation (Third revised text of annex VII)		
(h) Universal Postal Union		
(i) International Telecommunication Union		
(j) World Meteorological Organisation		
(k) International Maritime Organisation (Second "revised text of annex XII)		
(l) International Finance Corporation		
(m) International Development Organisation		
(n) United Nations Industrial Development Organisation		
Accession- Vanuatu	02 Jan., 2008	
Entry into Force- Vanuatu	02 Jan., 2008	
General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe [ETS No. 2]	Paris 02 Sep., 1949	034/1953 Cmd 8852
Accession- Montenegro	11 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Montenegro	11 July, 2008	

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05 Mar., 1996	007/2005 Cmd 6493
30 June, 2008	
31 July, 2008	
The Hague 05 Oct., 1961	032/1965 Cmnd 2617
01 Aug., 2008	
30 July, 1980	
The Hague 15 Nov., 1965	050/1969 Cmnd 3986
	30 June, 2008 31 July, 2008 The Hague

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PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW (continued)		
Note- On 29 August 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of <i>United Kingdom</i> , a notification of designated authorities, as follows;		
[modification from 22 August 2008]		
Central Authority for England and Wales The Senior Master The Foreign Process Department Royal Courts of Justice Stand, London WC2A 2LL		
Switchboard: +44 20 7947 6000 Tel; + 44 20 7947 6091 Fax; + 44 20 7947 6237 Website; www.hmcourts-service.gov.uk		
Convention on the Taking of Evidence Abroad in Civil or Commercial Matters	The Hague 18 Mar., 1970	020/1977 Cmnd 6727
Accession- Bosnia and Herzegovina	16 June, 2008	
Acceptance Slovakia	19 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Bosnia and Herzegovina	15 Aug., 2008 18 Aug., 2008	
Note- On 16 June 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of <i>Bosnia and Herzegovina</i> , a notification of designated authorities, as follows;		
AUTHORITIES The Ministry of Justice of Bo Bosnia and Herzegovina		
Note- On 29 August 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of <i>United Kingdom</i> , a notification of designated authorities, as follows;		
[modification from 22 August 2008]		
Central Authority for England and Wales The Senior Master, The Foreign Process Department		

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Royal Courts of Justice Stand, London WC2A 2LL		
Switchboard: +44 20 7947 6000 Tel; + 44 20 7947 6091 Fax ;+ 44 20 7947 6237 Website; www.hmcourts-service.gov.uk		
Notification pursuant to Article 37 of the Convention		
The following State has declared their acceptance of the accession of <i>Bosnia and Herzegovina</i>		
Poland	22 Aug., 2008	
In accordance with Article 39, the Convention will enter into force between <i>Poland</i> and Bosnia and Herzegovina	21 Oct., 2008	
Notification pursuant to Article 37 of the Convention		
The following State has declared their acceptance of the accession of India Slovakia	19 June., 2008	
	17 June., 2000	
In accordance with Article 39, the Convention will enter into force between <i>Slovakia</i> and India	18 Aug., 2008	
European Agreement on the Transmission of Applications for Legal Aid [ETS No. 92]	Strasbourg 27 Jan., 1977	039/1978 Cmnd 7179
Note- On the 27 June 2008, the Secretary–General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received from the government of <i>Georgia</i> , a communication of designated authorities, as follows;		
Ministry of Justice TBILSI 0146 GEORGIA Tel. +995-32-75-82-10/82-77/82-78 Fax.: +995-32-75-82-76/82-29 Email: Intlawdep@justice.gov.ge		
European Convention on Recognition and Enforcement of Decisions concerning Custody of Children and on Restoration of Custody of Children [ETS No. 105]	Luxembourg 20 May, 1980	035/1987 Cm 191
Ratification- Ukraine (with declaration*)	30 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Ukraine	01 Nov, 2008	

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Declaration*			
declares that, if there are any gr convention, in case provided fo	icle 17 of the convention, Ukraine rounds specified in article 10 of the or by article 8 and 9 of the convention, fuse the recognition and implementation ld custody sent to it.		
Ukraine declares that any document communications transmitted to reservation about exclusion of the communication of the communication are servation about exclusion of the communication are servations.	icle 6, paragraph 3, of the convention, ments providing for by article 13 and Ukraine from the states which made the the application of article 6, paragraph anguage or contain their translation into inguage.		
declares that the Ministry of Ju-	icle 2 of the convention, Ukraine stice of Ukraine shall be the central to carry out the functions provided for		
Convention on the Civil Aspec	ets of International Child Abduction	The Hague 25 Oct., 1980	066/1986 Cm 33
Accession-			
Seychelles		27 May, 2008	
Entry into Force-			
Seychelles		01 Aug., 2008	
	to Article 37 of the Convention as declared its acceptance of the		
Burkina Faso		14 Aug., 2008	
In accordance with Ar will enter into force between, E	ticle 38, paragraph 5, the Convention		
Monaco		01 Nov., 2008	
	to Article 37 of the Convention nave declared their acceptance of the		
Slovenia		11 July, 2008	
Venezuela		07 Aug., 2008	
In accordance with Ar will enter into force between Si	ticle 38, paragraph 5, the Convention <i>lovenia</i> and		
Ukraine		01 Oct., 2008	
In accordance with Ar will enter into force between V	ticle 38, paragraph 5, the Convention enezuela and		
Ukraine		01 Nov., 2008	

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PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW (continued)		
Notification pursuant to Article 37 of the Convention The following State has declared its acceptance of the accession of <i>Fiji</i>		
France	22 Aug., 2008	
Notification pursuant to Article 37 of the Convention The following State has declared its acceptance of the accession of <i>Sri Lanka</i>		
France	18 July, 2008	
In accordance with Article 38, paragraph 5, the Convention will enter into force between <i>France</i> and		
Fiji	01 Nov., 2008	
In accordance with Article 38, paragraph 5, the Convention will enter into force between <i>France</i> and		
Sri Lanka	01 Oct., 2008	
Notification pursuant to Article 37 of the Convention The following State has declared its acceptance of the accession of Albania, Armenia, Costa Rica and San Marino Macau Special Administrative Region [China]	18 June, 2008	
will enter into force between <i>Macau</i> Special Administrative Region [China] and		
Albania	01 Sep., 2008 01 Sep., 2008 01 Sep., 2008 01 Sep., 2008	
Notification pursuant to Article 37 of the Convention The following State has declared its acceptance of the		
accession of the <i>Costa Rica</i> Hong Kong Special Administrative Region [China]	18 June, 2008	
In accordance with Article 38, paragraph 5, the Convention will enter into force between the <i>Hong Kong</i> Special Administrative Region [China] and	1004, 2000	
Costa Rica	01 Sep., 2008	
Notification pursuant to Article 37 of the Convention The following State has declared its acceptance of the accession of Seychelles Poland	22 Aug. 2008	
Poland	22 Aug., 2008	
In accordance with Article 38, paragraph 5, the Convention will enter into force between the <i>Poland</i> and Seychelles	01 Nov., 2008	

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Note-

On 02 August 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of *Albania*, a notification of designated authorities, as follows;

CENTRAL AUTHORITY (additional information)

- 1. Name and full address: Ministry of Justice, Bulevardi "Zogu I", Tirane, Albania.
- 2. Telephone number: + 355 42259 388/Ext. 22 08.
- 3. Telefax number: + 355 42234560
- 4. E-mail address: ekorini@iustice.gov.al (www.iustice.gov.al)
- 5. Person of contact: Eriketa Korini Expert, Juvenile and Family Law Bureau, General Directorate of Codification, Ministry of Justice.
- 6. Language of communication: English

Note-

On 02 August 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of *China [Hong Kong Special Administrative Region]*, a notification of designated authorities, as follows;

Contact Details of the Central Authority of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (with effect from 8 August 2008) Secretary for Justice of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

C/o. International Law Division (Mutual Legal Assistance Unit) Department of Justice 47/F, High Block Queensway Government Offices 66 Queensway, Hong Kong, China

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Note-

On 02 July 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of Ecuador, a notification of designated authorities, as follows;

AUTHORITY (Modification)

National Council for Children & Adolescents Calle Foch No. E4-38 y Colón.

CONTACTS

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Telephone: (593 2) 222-8458 Fax: (593 2) 222-8338 ext. 122 WEBSITE: www.cnna.gov.ec		
Note- On 27 May 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of <i>Seychelles</i> , a notification of designated authorities, as follows;		
In order to comply with Article 6 of the Convention, () the following has been designated		
Central Authority in Seychelles: Ms. Linda William Director of Social Services Ministry of Health and Social Development		
P.O. Box 190, Victoria House Tel: (00248) 72 33 09/ (00248) 28 1833 Fax: (00 248) 22 56 56 dgsa(a),seychell eS.net		
Convention on the Law Applicable to Trusts and on their Recognition	The Hague 01 July, 1985	014/1992 Cm 1823
Accession- Monaco	01 June, 2007	
Entry into Force- Monaco	01 Sep., 2008	
Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime [ETS No. 141]	Strasbourg 08 Nov., 1990	059/1993 Cm 2337
Note- On 22 May 2008, the Secretary –General of the Council of Europe, received from the government of <i>Slovak Republic</i> , a declaration, as follows;		
The Slovak Republic declares that the new body to which requests under Chapter III Section 2 of the Convention should be sent in the Slovak Republic is the following:		
Prezidium Policajného zboru (Presidium of the Police Force) Úrad boja proti organizovanej kriminalite (Office for Combating Organised Crime) Spavodajská jednotka finančnej policie (Financial Intelligence Unit		
Račianska 45 812 72 Bratislava, Siovenská Republika (Slovak Republic)		

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PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW (continued)		
Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in respect of Intercountry Adoption	The Hague 29 May, 1993	046/2003 Cm 6010
Accession- Seychelles (with declaration*)	26 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Seychelles	01 Oct., 2008	
Declaration* AUTHORITY Central Authority:		
Ms. Linda William Director of Social Services Ministry of Health and Social Development P.O. Box 190, Victoria House Tel: (00 248) 72 33 09 (00 248) 28 18 33 Fax: (00 248) 22 56 56 dgsa@seychelles.net		
European Charter of Local Self-Government [ETS No. 122]	Strasbourg 15 Oct., 1985	106/2000 Cm 4845
Ratification- Montenegro	12 Sep., 2008	
Entry into Force- Montenegro	01 Jan., 2009	
Note- On 01 October 2008, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, as depositary, received from the government of <i>Croatia</i> , a declaration, as follows;		
In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 3, of the Charter, the Republic of Croatia declares that it also considers itself bound by the following paragraphs of the Charter:		
Article 4, paragraphs 3, 5 and 6; Article 8, paragraph 3; Article 9, paragraphs 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Article 10, paragraph 2.		
Criminal Law Convention on Corruption [ETS No. 173]	Strasbourg 27 Jan., 1999	027/2006 Cm 6958
Note- On 01 February 2008, Secretary–General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received from the government of <i>Finland</i> , a notification, as follows;		

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RIVATE INTERNATIONAL LA	W (continued)		
In accordance with Articl Convention, the Government of Fi entirety the reservations made in a Convention.	nland declares that it upholds in its		
Note by the Secretariat:			
domestic law the conduct referred	offence or punishable participation		
nationals, the jurisdiction rule laid the requirement of dual punishabil of the Finnish penal Code in cases private sector referred to in Article offence does not seriously interfere	ity set forth in Chapter "section 11 of active or passive bribery in the s 7 and 8, provided that the criminal		
Note- On 27 June 2008, Secreta Europe, as depositary, received fro communication, as follows;	ry–General of the Council of om the government of <i>Georgia</i> , a		
Updating of contact infor	mation:		
Ministry of Justice TBILISI 0146 GEORGIA			
Tel. +995-32-75-82-10/8; Fax.: +995-32-75-82-76/8 Email: Intlawdep@justice	82-29		
United Nations Convention agains	st Corruption	Adopted Mexico 09 Dec., 2003 -09 Dec., 2005	014/2006 Cm 6854
Accession-	tion *)	18 June, 2008	
Kazakhstan (with notification *)		11 Aug., 2008	
	and notification+)	29 July, 2008	
Ratification- Ethiopia (with reservation	n†)	26 Nov., 2007	
Entry into Force-			
Ethiopia Kazakhstan		26 Dec., 2007 17 July, 2008	
Niger		10 Sep., 2008	
Uzbekistan		28 Aug., 2008	

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PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW (continued)

Notification*

[Translation: Original Russian]

- 1....the Republic of Kazakhstan, in accordance with article 44, paragraph 6 (a) of the Convention, ... takes the Convention as the legal basis for cooperation on extradition with other States Parties to the Convention.
- 2. In accordance with article 46, paragraph 14 of the Convention, requests for mutual legal assistance and communications related thereto which are sent to the Republic of Kazakhstan must be accompanied by translations into the Kazakh and Russian languages, unless otherwise established by an international treaty ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan.
- 3. In accordance with article 66, paragraph 3 of the Convention, the Republic of Kazakhstan does not consider itself bound by article 66, paragraph 2 of the Convention.

Reservation*

[Original: English]

"... the Republic of Uzbekistan... in accordance with paragraph 3 of the article 66 of the Convention declares that it does not consider itself bound by the provisions of paragraph 2 of article 66 of the Convention."

Declaration*

"... the Republic of Uzbekistan ... in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 3 of Article 42 of the Convention: The declares that in accordance with the national legislation, offences described in articles 15-19,21,22, paragraph 1 of the article 23, articles 24, 25, 27 are criminal offences and on them the jurisdiction of the Republic of Uzbekistan shall be applied..."

 ${\it Notifications} +$

[Original: English]

- "... the Republic of Uzbekistan ... to paragraph 3 of Article 6 of the Convention: The notifies that the Office of Prosecutor General, Ministry of Internal Affairs, National Security Service and Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan shall be defined as the authorities that may assist other State Parties in developing and implementing specific measures for the prevention of corruption
- ... to paragraph 6 of Article 44 of the Convention: In accordance with subparagraph "a" of paragraph 6 of the article 44 the Republic of Uzbekistan notifies that it shall use this Convention as a legal basis for cooperation on extradition of persons, who committed corruption crimes, with other State Parties of this Convention on a foundation of reciprocity...

... to Article 46 of the Convention:

Treaty Series Date and Command Nos. PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW (continued) (a) paragraph 13. The Republic of Uzbekistan notifies that the Office of Prosecutor General shall be defined as a central authority responsible to receive requests for mutual legal assistance and execute them, or to transfer them to the competent authorities of the Republic of Uzbekistan for execution... (b) paragraph 14. The Republic of Uzbekistan notifies that the Uzbek, Russian and English languages shall be defined as acceptable upon filing requests for mutual legal assistance..." The Convention will enter into force for Uzbekistan on 28 August 2008 in accordance with its article 68 (2). Reservation† "... ratification by Ethiopia of the said Convention with a reservation on Article 44 of the Convention." Note-On 03 September 2008 Secretary-General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received from the government of Argentina, a notification¹, as follows; Note from Argentine Embassy No. 475/08 dated 3/9/2008 re Designation of Central Authority re. Art. 46, as follows; Dirección de Asistencia Judicial Internacional, Dirección Genereal de Asuntos Juridicos, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores, Esmeralda 1212, Piso 4 (C.P.1007), Cuidad de Buenos Aires, Republica Argentina, Tel./Fax: (54-11) 4819-7172/7231 e-mail: diaju@mrecic.gov.ar ROAD TRANSPORT European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Geneva 083/1968 Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR) with Protocol of Signature Cmnd 3769 30 Sep., 1957 Note-On 01 July 2008, the Secretary-General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received from the government of *Portugal*, a communication, as follows; The Government of Portugal, in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 14 of the above Agreement, has transmitted to the Secretary-

General the text of the proposed amendments to Annexes and B, as amended, to the above Agreement. (It will be recalled that the text of these proposed amendments had been approved by the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods of the Economic Commission

for Europe at its 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd and 84th sessions).

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ROAD TRANSPORT (continued)

The procedure for the amendment of annexes to the Agreement is set forth in its article 14, in particular, in paragraphs 2 and 3, which read as follows:

- "2. The Secretary-General shall transmit any proposal made under paragraph 1 of this article to all Contracting Parties and inform thereof the other countries referred to in article 6, paragraph 1.
- 3. Any proposed amendment to the annexes shall be deemed to be accepted unless, within three months from the date on which the Secretary-General circulates it, at least one-third of the Contracting Parties, or five of them if one-third exceeds that *figure*, have given the Secretary-General written notification of their objection to the proposed amendment.

If the amendment is deemed to be accepted, it shall enter into force for all the Contracting Parties, either on the expiry of a further period of three months or, in cases where similar amendments have been or are likely to be made to the other international agreements referred to in paragraph 1 of this article, on the expiry of a period the duration of which shall be determined by the Secretary-General in such a way as to allow, wherever possible, the simultaneous entry into force of the amendment and those that have been or are likely to be made to such other agreements; such period shall not, however, be of less than one month's duration."

Consequently, unless the proposed amendments to the Annexes are deemed rejected pursuant to article 14 (3) within three months from the date of the notification, i.e., on 01 October 2008, the Secretary-General proposes that the amendments in question enter into force on 01 January 2009.

The texts of the proposed amendments are contained in the following documents:

ECE/TRANS/WP. 15/195, ECE/TRANS/WP. 15/195/Corr.1 and ECE/TRANS/WP. 15/195/Add. 1 which can be accessed on the website of the Transport Division of the Economic Commission for Europe at the following address:

http//www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/wpl5/wplsrep.html.

Note-

On 14 July 2008, Secretary–General of the United Nations, as depositary, communicated, the following;

Regulation No 4 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of devices for the illumination of rear registration plates of motor vehicles (except motor cycles) and their trailers, 15 April 1964

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ROAD TRANSPORT (continued)

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 4 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N.1171.2007.TREATIES-2 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 6 Uniform provisions concerning me approval of direction indicators for motor vehicles and their trailers, 15 October 1967

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 6 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N.1176.2007.TREATIES-2 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No 7 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of front and rear position (side) lamps, stop-lamps and end-outline marker lamps for motor vehicles (except motor cycles) and their trailers, 15 October 1967

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 7 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1177.2007.TREATIES-1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 10 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to radio interference suppression, 01 April 1969

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 10 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1178.2007.TREATIES-1 of 11 January 2008

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Regulation No. 13 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles of categories M, N and O with regard to braking, 01 June 1970

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 13 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1210.2007.TREATIES-1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 19 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor vehicle fog lamps, 01 March 1971

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008^{1, 2} were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 19 with effect from 11 November 2008.

1 Ref to C.N.1211.2007.TREATIES-1 of 11 January 2008 Ref to C.N.1212.2007.TREATIES-2 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No 23 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of reversing lights for power-driven vehicles and their trailers, 01 December 1971

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 23 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N.1213.2007.TREATIES-1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 37 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of filament lamps for use in approved lamp units of power-driven vehicles and of their trailers, 01 February 1978

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 37 with effect from 11 July 2008.

¹ Ref to C.N.1214.2007.TREATIES-2 of 11 January 2008

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Regulation No 38 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of rear fog lamps for power-driven vehicles and their trailers, 01 August 1978

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 38 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N.1215.2007.TREATIES-1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 46. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of rear-view mirrors, and of motor vehicles with regard to the installation of rear-view mirrors, 01 September 1981

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 46 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N.1217.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 48 Uniform provisions concerning approval of vehicles with regard to the installation of lighting and light-signalling devices, 01 January 1982

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008^{1, 2} were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 48 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1218.2007.TREATIES -2 of 11 January 2008 Ref to C.N.1219.2007.TREATIES -3 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 50 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of front position lamps, rear position lamps, stop lamps, direction indicators and rear-registration-plate illuminating devices for mopeds, motor cycles and vehicles treated as such, 01 June 1982

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 50 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1220.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

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Regulation No. 53 uniform provisions concerning the approval of L3 category vehicles (motor cycles) with regard to the installation of lighting and light-signalling devices, 01 February 1983

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 53 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1221.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 58 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Rear underrun protective devices (RUPDs); II. Vehicles with regard to the installation of a RUPD of an approved type; III. Vehicles with regard to their rear underrun protection (RUP), 01 July 1983

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 58 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1222.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 77 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of parking lamps for power-driven vehicles beam or both and equipped with filament lamps, 30 September 1988

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 77 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1223.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 87 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of daytime running lamps for power-drive vehicles, 01 November 1990

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 87 with effect from 11 July 2008.

l Ref to C.N.1224.2007.TREATIES -2 of 11 January 2008

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ROAD TRANSPORT (continued)

Regulation No. 91 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of side-marker lamps for motor vehicles and their trailers, 15 October 1993

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 91 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Ref to C.N.1225.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 98 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor vehicle headlamps equipped with gas-discharge light sources, 15 April 1996

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 98 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N. 1226.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 104 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of retro-reflective markings for heavy and long vehicles and their trailers, 15 January 1998

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 104 with effect from 11 July 2008.

l Ref to CN.1228.2007.Treaties -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No. 107 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of double-decker large passenger vehicles with regard to their general construction, 18 June 1998

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 107 with effect from 11 July 2008.

l Ref to C.N. 1229.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

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Regulation No. 112 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor vehicle headlamps emitting an asymmetrical passing beam or a driving beam or both and equipped with filament lamps, 21 September 2001

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 112 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Regulation No. 113 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor vehicle headlamps emitting a symmetrical passing beam or a driving beam or both and equipped with filament lamps, 21 September 2001

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 113 with effect from 11 July 2008.

Regulation No. 115 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Specific LPG (Liquefied Petroleum Gases) retrofit systems to be installed in motor vehicles for the use of LPG in their propulsion systems; II. Specific CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) retrofit systems to be installed in motor vehicles for the use of CNG in their propulsion systems, 30 October 2003

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 115 with effect from 11 July 2008.

¹ Ref to C.N.1231.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

¹ Ref to C.N.1232.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

¹ Ref to C.N.1233.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

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ROAD TRANSPORT (continued)

Regulation No. 119 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of cornering lamps for power-driven vehicles, 06 April 2005

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 119 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N.1234.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

Regulation No.123 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of Adaptive front-lighting systems (AFS) for Motor vehicles, , 02 February 2007

Note-

In accordance with Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Agreement, the proposed Amendments which were circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as depositary, on 11 January 2008¹ were considered to be adopted and binding upon all Contracting Parties applying Regulation 123 with effect from 11 July 2008.

1 Ref to C.N. 1235.2007.TREATIES -1 of 11 January 2008

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.16

Regulation No. 16. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Safety-belts, restraint systems, child restraint systems and isofix child restraint systems for occupants of power-driven vehicles II. Vehicles equipped with safety-belts, restraint systems, child restraint systems and isofix child restraint systems, 01 December 1970

The text of the modifications concerned (doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/59) can be accessed on the web site.

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.41

Regulation No. 41 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor cycles with regard to noise, 01 June 1980

The text of the modifications concerned (doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/67) can be accessed on the web site.

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.48

Regulation No. 48 Uniform provisions concerning approval of vehicles with regard to the installation of lighting and light-signalling devices, 01 January 1982

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The text of the modifications concerned (doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/77) can be accessed on the web site.

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.65

Regulation No. 65 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of special warning lamps for motor vehicles, 15 June 1986

The text of the modifications concerned (doc.ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/79) can be accessed on the web site.

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.83

Regulation No. 83 Uniform provisions concerning me approval of vehicles with regard to the emission of pollutants according to engine fuel requirements, 05 November 1989

The text of the modifications concerned (doc.ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/61) can be accessed on the web site.

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.106

Regulation No. 106 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of pneumatic tyres for agricultural vehicles and their trailers 07 May 1998

The text of the modifications concerned (doc.ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/65) can be accessed on the web site.

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.117

Regulation No. 117. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of tyres with regard to rolling sound emissions, 06 April 2005

The text of the modifications concerned (doc.ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/68) can be accessed on the web site.

MODIFICATIONS TO REGULATION No.121

Regulation No.121 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to the location and identification of hand controls, tell-tales and indicators, Geneva, 18 January 2006

The text of the modifications concerned (doc. ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2007/85) can be accessed on the web site.

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ROAD TRANSPORT (continued)		
European Agreement concernir engaged in International Roa	ng the Work of Crews of Vehicles and Transport (AETR)	Geneva 01 July, 1970 -31 Mar., 1971	103/1978 Cmnd 7401
Accession- Monaco (with declarate	ion*)	16 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Monaco		14 Dec., 2008	
Declaration* [Translation Original:	French]		
"In accordance with the Agreement:	e provisions of article 14 of this		
European Agreement concerning engaged in International Road T validity of the Conventions conc	naco declared that the accession to the g the Work of Crews of Vehicles ransport (AETR) does not affect the cluded with the Republic of France. orce for Monaco on 14 December 2008 (5)."		
Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such Carriage (ATP)		Geneva 01 Sep., 1970 -31 May, 1971	042/1981 Cmnd 8272
Accession- Andorra		14 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Andorra		14 July, 2009	
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY M	ISCELLANEOUS		
Agreement Establishing the European Molecular Biology Conference		Geneva 13 Feb., 1969	076/1970 Cmnd 4450
Accession- Luxembourg Slovak Republic		25 Oct., 2007 30 May, 2007	
Entry into Force- Luxembourg Slovak Republic		25 Oct., 2007 30 May, 2007	
Agreement establishing the European Molecular Biology Laboratory		Geneva 10 May, 1973	012/1975 Cmnd 5835
Accession- Luxembourg		25 Oct., 2007	
Entry into Force- Luxembourg		25 Oct., 2007	

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SHIPPING		
Convention on the Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organisation	Geneva 06 Mar., 1948	054/1958 Cmnd 589
Acceptance- Cook Islands	18 July, 2008	
Entry into Force- Cook Islands	18 July, 2008	
Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974	Rome/IMO HQ 01 Mar., 1989 -28 Feb., 1990	011/2001 Cm 5044
Accession- Ecuador	26 Aug., 2008	
Entry into Force- Ecuador	26 Nov., 2008	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS		
Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations	Tampere and New York 18 June, 1998 -21 June, 2003	021/2005 Cm 6573
Accession- Colombia (with reservation*)	12 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Colombia	12 July, 2008	
Reservation* The Government of the Republic of Colombia formulates a reservation to paragraph 3 of article 11, by means of which Colombia does not consider itself bound by either of both of the dispute settlement procedures provided for in paragraph 3 of article 11.		
European Convention on Transfrontier Television [ETS. No. 132]	New York 18 June, 1998	022/1993 Cm 6573
Note- On 05 March 2008, the Secretary-General of the Council of Europe, as depositary, received a declaration with reference to article 19, paragraph 2, from the government of <i>Bosnia and Herzegovina</i> , as follows;	-21 June, 2003	
Ministry of Communications and Transport of Bosnia and Herzegovina		
Trg BiH br.1, 71000 Sarajevo - contact person: Mr Željko Kneżević, Minister Assistant for Communication and Informatization.		
The competence of this Ministry is the creation of the policies.		

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS (continued)		
Communications Regulatory Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina		
Mehmeda Spahe br.1., 7.1000 Sarajevo contact person: Ms Dunja Mijatović, Director of Broadcasting Division.		
The competences of the Agency are: the regulation of communications, meaning the regulation of the broadcasting and public telecommunication networks and services, including the establishment of permissions, regulating the prices, interconnecting and defining basic conditions for securing common and international communication assets, planning, co-ordination and allocation of the radio frequency spectrum, etc.		
In their common work and intentions, the Ministry and the Agency will take all necessary measures for the implementation of goals such as: promoting fair competition, support for efficient managing of the resources of radio frequencies and numbers, disabling potential danger or limiting competition in the field of communication in line with sector's policies and other issues.		
TERRORISM		
International Convention Against the Taking of Hostages	New York UN 18 Dec., 1979 -31 Dec., 1980	081/1983 Cmnd 9100
Accession- Fiji	15 May, 2008 06 Aug., 2008	
Entry into Force- Fiji	14 June, 2008 05 Sep., 2008	
International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings	New York 15 Dec., 1997	057/2001 Cm 5347
Accession - Democratic Republic Of Congo	27 June, 2008 27 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Democratic Republic Of Congo	27 July, 2008 27 July, 2008	
Reservation * " with reservation regarding 1 article (20) concerning the submission of disputes to international court of Justice."		

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TERRORISM (continued)		
International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism	New York 10 Jan., 2000 -31 Dec., 2001	028/2002 Cm 5550
Accession- Qatar(with reservation*)	27 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Qatar	27 June, 2008	
Reservation * " with reservation regarding 1 article (20) concerning the submission of disputes to international court of Justice."		
United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime	New York 15 Nov., 2000	012/2006 Cm 6852
Ratification - Kazakhstan	31 July, 2008	
Accession- Mongolia	27 June, 2008	
Entry into Force- Kazakhstan	30 Aug., 2008 27 June, 2008	



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