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Agreement on German External Debts

(Signed London 27 February 1953)

This Agreement entered into force on 16 September 1953.
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State	Date of deposit of ratification	Notes
Belgium	18 January 1954	1
Canada	14 November 1953	
Denmark	13 October 1953	
Federal Republic of Germany	4 September 1953	3
France	19 June 1953	2
Greece	21 April 1956	
Ireland	12 November 1953	
Italy	19 July 1966	
Liechtenstein	31 December 1953	
Luxembourg	29 June 1954	
Norway	8 October 1953	
Pakistan	27 October 1953	
South Africa	1 January 1954	4
Spain	25 August 1954	
Sri Lanka (signed as Ceylon)	10 February 1955	
Sweden	16 September 1953	
Switzerland	31 December 1953	5
United Kingdom	4 September 1953	6, 7, 8, 9, 10
United States of America	16 September 1953	11
Yugoslavia	15 March 1956	12

Accessions

State	Date of deposit of instrument of accession	Notes
Argentine Republic	30 December 1958	
Australia	29 September 1954	
Austria	20 August 1958	
Cambodia	16 July 1953	
Chile	15 October 1963	
Egypt	11 May 1953	13
Finland	26 May 1955	
Iran	22 December 1953	
Israel	23 October 1956	
Netherlands	1 August 1958	14, 15, 16, 17, 18
New Zealand	4 October 1955	19
Peru	2 December 1955	
Thailand	20 December 1958	
Trieste (United Kingdom/United States Zone)	4 June 1953	
Trieste (Yugoslav Zone)	31 March 1954	

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Succession

State	Date	Notes
Montenegro	12 December 2006	20

Notes

- 1 Including Belgian Congo and Ruanda Urundi.
- 2 Extended to French Cameroons, French Morocco, French Togoland, Tunisia and all French overseas territories effective from 16 September 1953.
- 3 Applied to Berlin with effect from 5 October 1953.
- 4 Including South West Africa.
- 5 See table of declarations below.
- 6 Extended to Southern Rhodesia effective from 16 September 1953.
- 7 Extended to the Channel Islands effective from 1 April 1954.
- 8 Extended to Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland effective from 1 October 1954.
- 9 Extended to Aden, Falkland Islands, Gibraltar, Malta and Zanzibar effective from 12 November 1956.
- 10 Extended to Papua, Norfolk Island, New Guinea and Nauru effective from 24 November 1954.
- 11 Including all territories for the international relations for which the United States of America is responsible.
- 12 As of 4 February 2003, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia became known as Serbia and Montenegro.
As of 3 June 2006, the Republic of Serbia became the continuation State of Serbia and Montenegro.
In a Note dated 12 December 2006, the Government of the Republic of Montenegro confirmed that this Agreement continued in force for the Republic of Montenegro with effect from 3 June 2006.
- 13 Extended by the United Arab Republic to Syrian Province on 8 July 1960.
- 14 Extended to Suriname effective from 3 March 1959.
- 15 Extended to New Guinea effective from 10 June 1959.

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- 16 Extended to Netherlands Antilles effective from 24 June 1959.
- 17 Applied separately to Netherlands Antilles and Aruba with effect from 1 January 1986.
- 18 In a note dated 7 October 2010, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Kingdom of the Netherlands notified the Foreign and Commonwealth Office of the following:
With effect from 10 October, the Netherlands Antilles will cease to exist as part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. From that date onwards, the Kingdom will consist of four parts: the Netherlands, Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten will enjoy self-government within the Kingdom, as Aruba and, up to 10 October 2010, the Netherlands Antilles do. These changes constitute a modification of the internal constitutional relations within the Kingdom of the Netherlands. The Kingdom of the Netherlands will accordingly remain the subject of international law with which agreements are concluded. The modification of the structure of the Kingdom will therefore not affect the validity of the international agreements ratified by the Kingdom for the Netherlands Antilles. These agreements, including any reservations made, will continue to apply to Curaçao and Sint Maarten.
The other islands that have until now formed part of the Netherlands Antilles – Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba – will become part of the Netherlands, thus constituting ‘the Caribbean part of the Netherlands’. The agreements that now apply to the Netherlands Antilles will also continue to apply to these islands; however, the Government of the Netherlands will now be responsible for implementing these agreements.
- 19 Applicable also to the Cook Islands (including Niue), Tokelau and the Trust Territory of Western Samoa.
- 20 In a Note dated 12 December 2006, the Government of the Republic of Montenegro confirmed that this Agreement continues in force for the Republic of Montenegro with effect from 3 June 2006.

Declarations

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| Switzerland | "The Swiss Federal Council have decided to deposit the instrument of ratification concerning the Agreement on German External Debts although their efforts to obtain an appropriate prolongation of the |
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time limits set by Annex IV of the agreement (30 June and 31 December 1953) for the excise of certain creditor rights have not yet led to a satisfactory result. Without making a reservation or qualification according to Article 38 of the Agreement, the Swiss Federal Council will have to pursue this question further and undertake, if necessary, further steps."

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