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Amendment

to the Convention on Supplementary Compensation for Nuclear Damage

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[The Amendment has not been ratified by the United Kingdom]

*Presented to Parliament
by the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs
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AMENDMENT TO THE CONVENTION ON SUPPLEMENTARY COMPENSATION FOR NUCLEAR DAMAGE

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES to the Convention on Supplementary Compensation for Nuclear Damage of 12 September 1997 (the "Convention"),

ACKNOWLEDGING that many States in the world have determined for a variety of reasons not to pursue civil nuclear energy or to otherwise install nuclear reactors;

RECOGNIZING that the benefits of a global nuclear liability regime can only be achieved if States with no nuclear reactors become Contracting Parties to the Convention; and

DESIRING to amend the Convention in order to provide a more equitable allocation of financial burden between States with nuclear reactors and States that have no nuclear reactors in the event of a nuclear incident and therefore to eliminate the obligation for States with no nuclear reactors to contribute public funds in the event of a nuclear incident,

HAVE AGREED as follows:

1. Article IV.1(b) shall be replaced by the following text:

"(b) Subject to sub-paragraph (c), the contribution of each Contracting Party shall be the sum of the amounts referred to in sub-paragraphs (a)(i) and (ii), provided that States with no nuclear reactors shall not be required to make contributions."

2. Prior to its entry into force, this Amendment shall be open for ratification, acceptance, or approval by the Contracting Parties to the Convention.

3. The instruments of ratification, acceptance, or approval for this Amendment shall be deposited with the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency, who is the Depositary of the Convention.

4. This Amendment shall enter into force on the date on which all Contracting Parties to the Convention as of that date have each deposited an instrument referred to in paragraph 3 of this Amendment.

5. Upon entry into force of this Amendment, a State may only become party to the Convention as amended by this Amendment and in accordance with the following:

- a. A signatory State to the Convention may become a party through depositing an instrument of ratification, acceptance, or approval in accordance with Articles XVIII and XX.2 of the Convention as amended.

- b. Any other State may only become a party through accession in accordance with Articles XIX and XX.2 of the Convention as amended.

Done at Vienna, this thirteenth day of January, two thousand and twenty-six.

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