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# STATUS OF RATIFICATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

## Note by the secretariat

The text of the Convention was adopted at United Nations Headquarters, New York on 9 May 1992; it was open for signature at Rio de Janeiro from 4 to 14 June 1992, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 20 June 1992 to 19 June 1993. By that date the Convention had received 166 signatures. The Convention entered into force on 21 March 1994. Those States that have not signed the Convention may accede to it at any time.

For those States that ratify, accept or approve the Convention or accede thereto after the date of entry into force, the Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of the deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.

This document contains information concerning dates of signature and ratification received from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, as at 25 November 1997.

The information is presented in two tables: the first, listing all Parties of the Convention as at 10 December 1997 in alphabetical order. This list also provides those States that will become Parties of the Convention after the session of the Conference.

The second list provides a general status of ratification of the Convention. The dates in the column on ratification are those of the receipt of the instrument of ratification or accession by the Depositary.

For the purpose of this document, all references to ratification include information on accession, acceptance and approval of the Convention.

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5.	Anugua anu Barbuda	40.	Korea	74. 75.	Jamaica		Norway		Sudan Swaziland
4.	Argentina	41.	D.R. of the	76.	Jamaica Japan		Oman		Swaznanu Sweden
4. 5.	Armenia	71.	Congo	70. 77.	Japan Jordan		Pakistan		Sweden Switzerland
3. 6.	Australia	42.	Denmark	77. 78.	Kazakstan		Panama		Syrian Arab
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7. 8.	Austria Azerbaijan	43. 44.	Dominica	80.	Kiribati	11,,	Guinea	149.	Thailand
o. 9.	Bahamas	45.	Ecuador	81.	Kuwait	118.	Paraguay		Togo
9. 10.	Bahrain	46.	Egypt	82.	Lao P.D.R.		Peru		Trinidad an
10. 11.	Bangladesh	40. 47.	El Salvador	83.	Latvia		Philippines	101,	Tobago
11. 12.	Barbados	48.	Eritrea	84.	Lebanon		Poland	152.	Tunisia
13.	Belgium	49.	Estonia	85.	Lesotho		Portugal		Turkmenista
14.	Belize	50.	Ethiopia	86.	Liechtenstein		Qatar		Tuvalu
15.	Benin	51.	European	87.	Lithuania		R. of Korea		Uganda
16.	Bhutan	·	Community	88.	Luxembourg		Republic of		Ukraine
17.	Bolivia	52.	Fiji	89.	Malawi	1	Moldova		United Arab
18.	Botswana	53.	Finland	90.	Malaysia	126.	Romania		Emirates
19.	Brazil	54.	France	91.	Maldives		Russian Fed.	158.	United
20.	Bulgaria	5 <del>5</del> .	Gambia	92.	Mali		Saint Kitts		Kingdom
21.	Burkina Faso	<b>56.</b>	Georgia	93.	Malta		and Nevis	159.	United R. of
22.	Burundi	57 <b>.</b>	Germany	94.	Marshall	129.	Saint Lucia		Tanzania
23.	Cambodia	58.	Ghana	-	Islands		Saint Vincent	160.	United State
24.	Cameroon	<b>59.</b>	Greece	95.	Mauritania		and the		of America
25.	Canada	60.	Grenada	96.	Mauritius		Grenadines	161.	Uruguay
26.	Cape Verde	61.	Guatemala	97.	Mexico	131.	Samoa		Uzbekistan
27.	Central	62.	Guinea	98.	Micronesia		San Marino		Vanuatu
	African R.	63.	Guinea-	99.	Monaco		Saudi Arabia		Venezuela
28.	Chad	-	Bissau		Mongolia		Senegal		Viet Nam
29.	Chile	64.	Guyana		Morocco		Seychelles		Yemen
30.	China	65.	Haiti		Mozambique		Sierra Leone		Yugoslavia
31.	Colombia	66.	Honduras		Myanmar		Singapore		Zambia
32.	Comoros		Hungary		Namibia		Slovakia		Zimbabwe
33.	Congo	68.	Iceland		Nauru		Slovenia	•	<del></del> -
34.	Cook Islands	69.	India		Nepal		Solomon		
35.	Costa Rica	70.	Indonesia		Netherlands		Islands		
36.	Côte d'Ivoire	71.	Iran (Islamic		New Zealand	141.	South Africa		
37.	Croatia		Republic of)		Nicaragua				
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1.	Cyprus								

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# UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

# STATUS OF RATIFICATION

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
1. AFGHANISTAN	12/06/92			
2. ALBANIA		03/10/94 (Ac)	01/01/95	
3. ALGERIA	13/06/92	09/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
4. ANDORRA				
5. ANGOLA	14/06/92			
6. ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	04/06/92	02/02/93 (R)	21/03/94	
7. ARGENTINA	12/06/92	11/03/94 (R)	09/06/94	
8. ARMENIA	13/06/92	14/05/93 (R)	21/03/94	
9. AUSTRALIA	04/06/92	30/12/92 (R)	21/03/94	
10. AUSTRIA	08/06/92	28/02/94 (R)	29/05/94	
11. AZERBAIJAN	12/06/92	16/05/95 (R)	14/08/95	
12. BAHAMAS	12/06/92	29/03/94 (R)	27/06/94	
13. BAHRAIN	08/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
14. BANGLADESH	09/06/92	15/04/94 (R)	14/07/94	
15. BARBADOS	12/06/92	23/03/94 (R)	21/06/94	
16. BELARUS	11/06/92			
17. BELGIUM	04/06/92	16/01/96 (R)	15/04/96	

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18. BELIZE	13/06/92	31/10/94 (R)	29/01/95	
19. BENIN	13/06/92	30/06/94 (R)	28/09/94	
20. BHUTAN	11/06/92	25/08/95 (R)	23/11/95	
21. BOLIVIA	10/06/92	03/10/94 (R)	01/01/95	
22. BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA				
23. BOTSWANA	12/06/92	27/01/94 (R)	27/04/94	
24. BRAZIL	04/06/92	28/02/94 (R)	29/05/94	
25. BRUNEI DARUSSALAM				
26. BULGARIA	05/06/92	12/05/95 (R)	10/08/95	(12)
27. BURKINA FASO	12/06/92	02/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
28. BURUNDI	11/06/92	06/01/97 (R)	07/04/97	
29. CAMBODIA		18/12/95 (Ac)	17/03/96	
30. CAMEROON	14/06/92	19/10/94 (R)	17/01/95	
31. CANADA	12/06/92	04/12/92 (R)	21/03/94	
32. CAPE VERDE	12/06/92	29/03/95 (R)	27/06/95	
33. CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	13/06/92	10/03/95 (R)	08/06/95	
34. CHAD	12/06/92	07/06/94 (R)	05/09/94	
35. CHILE	13/06/92	22/12/94 (R)	22/03/95	
36. CHINA	11/06/92	05/01/93 (R)	21/03/94	

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37. COLOMBIA	13/06/92	22/03/95 (R)	20/06/95	
38. COMOROS	11/06/92	31/10/94 (R)	29/01/95	
39. CONGO	12/06/92	14/10/96 (R)	35441	
40. COOK ISLANDS	12/06/92	20/04/93 (R)	21/03/94	
41. COSTA RICA	13/06/92	26/08/94 (R)	24/11/94	
42. COTE D'IVOIRE	10/06/92	29/11/94 (R)	27/02/95	
43. CROATIA	11/06/92	08/04/96 (At)	07/07/96	(15)
44. CUBA	13/06/92	05/01/94 (R)	05/04/94	(9)
45. CYPRUS	12/06/92	15/10/97 (R)	13/01/98	
46. CZECH REPUBLIC	18/06/93	07/10/93 (Ap)	21/03/94	(13)
47. DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REP. OF KOREA	11/06/92	05/12/94 (Ap)	05/03/95	
48. DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO	11/06/92	09/01/95 (R)	09/04/95	
49. DENMARK	09/06/92	21/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
50. DJIBOUTI	12/06/92	27/08/95 (R)	25/11/95	
51. DOMINICA		21/06/93 (Ac)	21/03/94	
52. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	12/06/92			
53. ECUADOR	09/06/92	23/02/93 (R)	21/03/94	
54. EGYPT	09/06/92	05/12/94 (R)	05/03/95	
55. EL SALVADOR	13/06/92	04/12/95 (R)	03/03/96	
56. EQUATORIAL GUINEA				
57. ERITREA		24/04/95 (Ac)	23/07/95	

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
58. ESTONIA	12/06/92	27/07/94 (R)	25/10/94	
59. ETHIOPIA	10/06/92	05/04/94 (R)	04/07/94	
60. FIJI	09/10/92	25/02/93 (R)	21/03/94	(5)
61. FINLAND	04/06/92	03/05/94 (At)	01/08/94	
62. FRANCE	13/06/92	25/03/94 (R)	23/06/94	
63. GABON	12/06/92			
64. GAMBIA	12/06/92	10/06/94 (R)	08/09/94	
65. GEORGIA		29/07/94 (Ac)	27/10/94	
66. GERMANY	12/06/92	09/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
67. GHANA	12/06/92	06/09/95 (R)	05/12/95	
68. GREECE	12/06/92	04/08/94 (R)	02/11/94	
69. GRENADA	03/12/92	11/08/94 (R)	09/11/94	
70. GUATEMALA	13/06/92	15/12/95 (R)	14/03/96	
71. GUINEA	12/06/92	07/05/93 (R)	21/03/94	
72. GUINEA-BISSAU	12/06/92	27/10/95 (R)	25/01/96	
73. GUYANA	13/06/92	29/08/94 (R)	27/11/94	
74. HAITI	13/06/92	25/09/96 (R)	24/12/96	
75. HOLY SEE				
76. HONDURAS	13/06/92	19/10/95 (R)	17/01/96	

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
77. HUNGARY	13/06/92	24/02/94 (R)	25/05/94	(10)
78. ICELAND	04/06/92	16/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
79. INDIA	10/06/92	01/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
80. INDONESIA	05/06/92	23/08/94 (R)	21/11/94	
81. IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)	14/06/92	18/07/96 (R)	16/10/96	
82. IRAQ				
83. IRELAND	13/06/92	20/04/94 (R)	19/07/94	
84. ISRAEL	04/06/92	04/06/96 (R)	02/09/96	
85. ITALY	05/06/92	15/04/94 (R)	14/07/94	
86. JAMAICA	12/06/92	06/01/95 (R)	06/04/95	
87. JAPAN	13/06/92	28/05/93 (At)	21/03/94	
88. JORDAN	11/06/92	12/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
89. KAZAKHSTAN	08/06/92	17/05/95 (R)	15/08/95	
90. KENYA	12/06/92	30/08/94 (R)	28/11/94	
91. KIRIBATI	13/06/92	07/02/95 (R)	08/05/95	(3)
92. KUWAIT		28/12/94 (Ac)	28/03/95	
93. KYRGYZSTAN				
94 LAO PEOPLE'S DEM. REP.		04/01/95 (Ac)	04/04/95	
95 LATVIA	11/06/92	23/03/95 (R)	21/06/95	

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96. LEBANON	12/06/92	15/12/94 (R)	15/03/95	
97. LESOTHO	11/06/92	07/02/95 (R)	08/05/95	
98. LIBERIA	12/06/92			
99. LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA	29/06/92			
100. LIECHTENSTEIN	04/06/92	22/06/94 (R)	20/09/94	
101. LITHUANIA	11/06/92	24/03/95 (R)	22/06/95	
102. LUXEMBOURG	09/06/92	09/05/94 (R)	07/08/94	
103. MADAGASCAR	10/06/92			
104. MALAWI	10/06/92	21/04/94 (R)	20/07/94	
105. MALAYSIA	09/06/93	13/07/94 (R)	11/10/94	
106. MALDIVES	12/06/92	09/11/92 (R)	21/03/94	
107. MALI	22/09/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
108. MALTA	12/06/92	17/03/94 (R)	15/06/94	
109. MARSHALL ISLANDS	12/06/92	08/10/92 (R)	21/03/94	
110. MAURITANIA	12/06/92	20/01/94 (R)	20/04/94	
111. MAURITIUS	10/06/92	04/09/92 (R)	21/03/94	
112. MEXICO	13/06/92	11/03/93 (R)	21/03/94	
113. MICRONESIA (FEDERATED STATES OF)	12/06/92	18/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
114. MONACO	11/06/92	20/11/92 (R)	21/03/94	(6)
115. MONGOLIA	12/06/92	30/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
116. MOROCCO	13/06/92	28/12/95 (R)	27/03/96	
117. MOZAMBIQUE	12/06/92	25/08/95 (R)	23/11/95	
118. MYANMAR	11/06/92	25/11/94 (R)	23/02/95	
119. NAMIBIA	12/06/92	16/05/95 (R)	14/08/95	
120. NAURU	08/06/92	11/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	(1)
121. NEPAL	12/06/92	02/05/94 (R)	31/07/94	
122. NETHERLANDS*	04/06/92	20/12/93 (At)	21/03/94	
123. NEW ZEALAND	04/06/92	16/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
124. NICARAGUA	13/06/92	31/10/95 (R)	29/01/96	
125. NIGER	11/06/92	25/07/95 (R)	23/10/95	
126. NIGERIA	13/06/92	29/08/94 (R)	27/11/94	
127. NIUE		28/02/96 (Ac)	28/05/96	
128. NORWAY	04/06/92	09/07/93 (R)	21/03/94	
129. OMAN	11/06/92	08/02/95 (R)	09/05/95	
130. PAKISTAN	13/06/92	01/06/94 (R)	30/08/94	
131 PALAU				
132. PANAMA	18/03/93	23/05/95 (R)	21/08/95	
133. PAPUA NEW GUINEA	13/06/92	16/03/93 (R)	21/03/94	(7)
134. PARAGUAY	12/06/92	24/02/94 (R)	25/05/94	

<sup>\*</sup>For the Kingdom in Europe

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
135. PERU	12/06/92	07/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
136. PHILIPPINES	12/06/92	02/08/94 (R)	31/10/94	
137. POLAND	05/06/92	28/07/94 (R)	26/10/94	
138. PORTUGAL	13/06/92	21/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
139. QATAR		18/04/96 (Ac)	17/07/96	
140. REPUBLIC OF KOREA	13/06/92	14/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
141. REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	12/06/92	09/06/95 (R)	07/09/95	
142. ROMANIA	05/06/92	08/06/94 (R)	06/09/94	
143. RUSSIAN FEDERATION	13/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
144. RWANDA	10/06/92			
145. SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	12/06/92	07/01/93 (R)	21/03/94	
146. SAINT LUCIA	14/06/93	14/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
147. SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES		02/12/96 (Ac)	02/03/97	
148. SAMOA	12/06/92	29/11/94 (R)	27/02/95	
149. SAN MARINO	10/06/92	28/10/94 (R)	26/01/95	
150. SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE	12/06/92			
151. SAUDI ARABIA		28/12/94 (Ac)	28/03/95	
152. SENEGAL	13/06/92	17/10/94 (R)	15/01/95	
153. SEYCHELLES	10/06/92	22/09/92 (R)	21/03/94	

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154. SIERRA LEONE	11/02/93	22/06/95 (R)	20/09/95	
155. SINGAPORE	13/06/92	29/05/97 (R)	27/08/97	
156. SLOVAKIA	19/05/93	25/08/94 (Ap)	23/11/94	(14)
157. SLOVENIA	13/06/92	01/12/95 (R)	29/02/96	
158. SOLOMON ISLANDS	13/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	(11)
159. SOMALIA				
160. SOUTH AFRICA	15/06/93	29/08/97 (R)	27/11/97	
161. SPAIN	13/06/92	21/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
162. SRI LANKA	10/06/92	23/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
163. SUDAN	09/06/92	19/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
164. SURINAME	13/06/92	14/10/96 (R)	12/01/98	
165. SWAZILAND	12/06/92	07/10/96 (R)	05/01/97	
166. SWEDEN	08/06/92	23/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
167. SWITZERLAND	12/06/92	10/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
168. SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC		04/01/96 (Ac)	03/04/96	
169. TAJIKISTAN				
170. THAILAND	12/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
171. THE FORMER YUG. REP. OF MACEDONIA				
172. TOGO	12/06/92	08/03/95 (At)	06/06/95	

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173. TONGA				
174. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	11/06/92	24/06/94 (R)	22/09/94	
175. TUNISIA	13/06/92	15/07/93 (R)	21/03/94	
176. TURKEY				
177. TURKMENISTAN		05/06/95 (Ac)	03/09/95	
178. TUVALU	08/06/92	26/10/93 (R)	21/03/94	(2)
179. UGANDA	13/06/92	08/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
180. UKRAINE	11/06/92	13/05/97 (R)	11/08/97	
181. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES		29/12/95 (Ac)	28/03/96	
182. UNITED KINGDOM*	12/06/92	08/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
183. UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA	12/06/92	17/04/96 (R)	16/07/96	
184. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	12/06/92	15/10/92 (R)	21/03/94	
185. URUGUAY	04/06/92	18/08/94 (R)	16/11/94	
186. UZBEKISTAN		20/06/93 (Ac)	21/03/94	
187. VANUATU	09/06/92	25/03/93 (R)	21/03/94	
188. VENEZUELA	12/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
189. VIET NAM	11/06/92	16/11/94 (R)	14/02/95	
190. YEMEN	12/06/92	21/02/96 (R)	21/05/96	_

<sup>\*</sup>In respect of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Bailiwick of Jersey and the Isle of Man

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
191. YUGOSLAVIA	08/06/92	03/09/97 (R)	02/12/97	
192. ZAMBIA	11/06/92	28/05/93 (R)	21/03/94	
193. ZIMBABWE	12/06/92	03/11/92 (R)	21/03/94	
***** ORGANIZATION *****	******	*******	********	*******
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY	13/06/92	21/12/93 (Ap)	21/03/94	(4) (8)
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### Notes:

R = Ratification
At = Acceptance
Ap = Approval
Ac = Accession

#### **DECLARATIONS**

(1) Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of Nauru declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(2) Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of Tuvalu declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(3) Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of the Republic of Kiribati declares its understanding that signature and/or ratification of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(4) Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:

"The European Community and its Member States declare, for the purposes of clarity, that the inclusion of the European Community as well as its Member States in the lists in the Annexes to the Convention is without prejudice to the division of competence and responsibilities between the Community and its Member States, which is to be declared in accordance with Article 21.3 of the Convention."

(5) Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:

"The Government of Fiji declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall, in no way, constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(6) The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"In accordance with sub-paragraph g of article 4.2 of the Convention, the Principality of Monaco declares that it intends to be bound by the provision of sub-paragraphs a and b of said article."

(7) The instrument of ratification was accompanied by the following declaration:

"The Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea declares its understanding that ratification of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(8) The instrument of ratification was accompanied by the following declaration:

"The European Economic Community and its Members States declare that the commitment to limit anthropogenic  $CO_2$  emissions set out in Article 4(2) of the Convention will be fulfilled in the Community as a whole though action by the Community and its Member States, within the respective competence of each.

In this perspective, the Community and its Member States reaffirm the objectives set out in the Council conclusions of 29 October 1990, and in particular the objective of stabilization of  ${\rm CO}_2$  emissions by 2000 at 1990 level in the Community as a whole.

The European Community and its Member States are elaborating a coherent strategy in order to attain this objective."

(9) The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"With reference to Article 14 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Government of the Republic of Cuba declares that, insofar as concerns the Republic of Cuba, any dispute that may arise between the Parties concerning the interpretation or application of the Convention shall be settled through negotiations through the diplomatic channel."

(10) Upon deposit, the Government of Hungary made the following declaration:

"The Government of the Republic of Hungary attributes great significance to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and it reiterates its position in accordance with the provision of Article 4.6 of the Convention on certain degree of flexibility that the average level of anthropogenic carbon-dioxide emissions for the period of 1985-1987 will be considered as reference level in context of the commitments under Article 4.2 of the Convention. This understanding is closely related to the "process of transition" as it is given in Article 4.6 of the Convention. The Government of the Republic of Hungary declares that it will do all efforts to contribute to the objective of the Convention."

(11) The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"Now therefore in pursuance of Article 14.2 of the said Convention I hereby declare that the Government of Solomon Islands shall recognise as compulsory, arbitration, in accordance with procedures to be adopted by the Conference of the Parties as soon as practicable, in an annex on arbitrations."

(12) The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"The Republic of Bulgaria declares that in accordance with article 4, paragraph 6, and with respect to paragraph 2 (b) of the said article, it accepts as a basis of the anthropogenic emissions in Bulgaria of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol, the 1988 levels of the said emissions in the country and not their 1990 levels, keeping records of and comparing the emission rates during the subsequent years."

(13) The Government of the Czech Republic, by letter of 17 November 1995, informed the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, of the following formal declaration:

"[...] I would like to notify you, as Depositary of the Convention, that the Czech Republic intends to be bound by Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Convention. In addition, I would like to advise you to make the following steps:

- (1) Delete notion of "Czechoslovakia" in Annex I. Czechoslovakia has never been a Party to the Convention and it no more exists as a State entity.
- (2) Include "Czech Republic" in the Annex I Parties. [...]."
- (14) The Government of the Slovak Republic, by letter of 29 January 1995, informed the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, of the following formal declaration:
  - "[...] I would like to notify you, as Depositary of the Convention, that the Slovak Republic intends to be bound by the Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Convention. In addition, I would like to delete the notion of "Czechoslovakia" in Annex I. Czechoslovakia has never been a party to the Convention and it no more exists as a State entity. Instead, Slovakia would be included in Annex I Parties [...]."
- (15) The instrument of acceptance contains the following declaration:

"The Republic of Croatia declares, that it intends to be bound by the provisions of the Annex I, as a country undergoing the process of transition to a market economy."

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