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PROTOCOL TO THE 1979 CONVENTION ON LONG-RANGE TRANSBOUNDARY AIR POLLUTION TO ABATE ACIDIFICATION, EUTROPHICATION AND GROUND-LEVEL OZONE GOTHENBURG (SWEDEN), 30 NOVEMBER 1999

ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE AMENDMENT TO ANNEX VII TO THE PROTOCOL, AS AMENDED 1

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The Amendment to Annex VII to the Protocol as amended on 4 May 2012, became effective on 15 July 2021 in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 7 of article 13 bis for those Parties that have accepted the procedure set out in that paragraph² and for Norway³. Paragraph 7 of article 13 bis reads as follows:

- "7. Amendments to annexes IV to XI shall be adopted by consensus of the Parties present at a session of the Executive Body. On the expiry of one year from the date of its communication to all Parties by the Executive Secretary of the Commission, an amendment to any such annex shall become effective for those Parties which have not submitted to the Depositary a notification in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (a):
- (a) Any Party that is unable to approve an amendment to annexes IV to XI shall so notify the Depositary in writing within one year from the date of the communication of its adoption. The Depositary shall without delay notify all Parties of any such notification received. A Party may at any time substitute an acceptance for its previous notification and, upon deposit of an instrument of acceptance with the Depositary, the amendment to such an annex shall become effective for that Party;"

13 September 2021



¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.270.2020.TREATIES-XXVII.1.h of 15 July 2020 (Adoption of Amendment to Annex VII to the Protocol, as amended).

² It excludes Switzerland and the United States of America. Refer to depositary notifications CN.320.2019.TREATIES-XXVII.1.k of 24 July 2019 (Acceptance: Switzerland) and CN.20.2017.TREATIES-XXVII.1.k of 18 January 2017 (Acceptance: United States of America).

³ Refer to depositary notifications CN.598.2019.TREATIES-XXVII.1.k of 26 November 2019 (Acceptance: Norway) and C.N.143.2021.TREATIES-XXVII.1.h of 14 May 2021 (Acceptance of Amendment to Annex VII to the Protocol, as amended: Norway).