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CONVENTION ON ROAD TRAFFIC SIGNED AT GENEVA ON 19 SEPTEMBER 1949 ACCESSION BY THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Sir,

PETTER NO.

I am directed by the Secretary-General to refer to paragraph 3 of article 27 of the Convention on Road Traffic, done at Geneva on 19 September 1949, which provides that the Convention shall be open from 1 January 1950 for accession by all States Members of the United Nations and by every States invited to attend the United Nations Conference on Road and Motor Transport held at Geneva in 1949 which has not signed the Convention and "by any other States which the Economic and Social Council may by resolution declare to be eligible".

I wish also to refer to resolution 1563(L) adopted by the Economic and Social Council on 28 April 1971 (1742nd plenary meeting) in which, having taken note of the communication from the Government of the Republic of Korea, dated 16 February 1971, concerning the desire of that State to become a party to the above-mentioned Convention, the Economic and Social Council declared that the Republic of Korea was eligible to accede to it.

I have the honour to inform you that, on 14 June 1971, the instrument of accession by the Government of the Republic of Korea to the said Convention was deposited with the Secretary-General in accordance with article 27 paragraph 4 of the Convention.

In a letter accompanying the above-mentioned instrument, the Permanent Observer of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations notified the Secretary-General, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Annex 4 to the said Convention, that distinctive letters - ROK - have been selected by the Government of the Republic of Korea as the distinguishing sign of vehicles in international traffic registered in its territory.

Pursuant to article 29, the Convention will enter into force for the Republic of Korea on the thirtieth day after the deposit of its instrument of accession, that is to say, on 14 July 1971.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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The Legal Counsel