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UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED
CRIME

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VENEZUELA: RESERVATION UNDER ARTICLE 35 (3)¹

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

On 19 December 2003, the Secretary-General received from the Government of Venezuela the
following reservation in respect of article 35 (3) of the above Convention:

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

Pursuant to article 35, paragraph 3, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela declares that it enters
an express reservation concerning the provisions of paragraph 2 of this article. Consequently, it does not
consider itself bound to submit to arbitration as a means of settling disputes, nor does it recognize the
compulsory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice.

In keeping with the depositary practice followed in similar cases, the Secretary-General
proposes to receive the reservation in question for deposit in the absence of any objection on the part of
any of the Contracting States, either to the deposit itself or to the procedure envisaged, within a period
of one year from the date of the present notification. In the absence of any such objection, the said
reservation will be accepted for deposit upon the expiration of the above-stipulated period, that is on
13 January 2005.

14 January 2004

1. Refer to depositary notification C.N.494.2002.TREATIES-8 of 16 May 2002 (Venezuela
Ratification)



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