

Reference: C.N.874.2016.TREATIES-XVIII.10.b (Depositary Notification)

AMENDMENTS ON THE CRIME OF AGGRESSION TO THE ROME STATUTE
OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

KAMPALA, 11 JUNE 2010

STATE OF PALESTINE: COMMUNICATION ¹

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

The above action was effected on 22 November 2016.

(Original: English)

“The Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in his capacity as Depositary, and has the honor to refer to depositary notification C.N.853.2016.TREATIES-XVIII.10.b, dated 9 November 2016, conveying a communication of Canada regarding the [ratification by] the State of Palestine [of] the Amendments on the crime of aggression to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, dated 11 June 2010.

The Government of the State of Palestine regrets the position of Canada and wishes to recall United Nations General Assembly resolution 67/19 of 29 November 2012 according Palestine “non-member observer State status in the United Nations”. As such, notwithstanding the position of Canada, Palestine is a State as recognized by the United Nations General Assembly on behalf of the international community.

On 1 April 2014 the State of Palestine became the 123rd State Party to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. On 2 June 2016 the State of Palestine became the 30th State Party to ratify the Amendments on the crime of aggression to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (see depositary notification C.[N].452.2016.TREATIES-XVIII.10.b), contributing to meeting the threshold necessary for the Assembly of States Parties to take the decision to activate the crime of aggression in 2017 so that the Court may exercise jurisdiction over the crime of aggression.

¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.853.2016.TREATIES-XVIII.10.b of 9 November 2016 (Communication: Canada).

The State of Palestine will exercise its rights and honor its obligations with respect to its ratification. The State of Palestine trusts that its rights and obligations will be similarly respected by its fellow States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.”

23 November 2016

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