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CONVENTION ON THE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE
SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

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BENIN: ACCESSION

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

The above action was lodged on 3 May 2018.

The Government of the Republic of Benin notified the Secretary-General, in accordance with article XI, section 43, of the Convention, that it has undertaken to apply the provisions of the Convention to the following specialized agencies:

International Labour Organisation (ILO)
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
(Second revised text of Annex II)
International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
International Monetary Fund (IMF)
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)
World Health Organization (WHO)
(Third revised text of Annex VII)
Universal Postal Union (UPU)
International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
International Maritime Organization (IMO)
(Revised text of Annex XII)
International Finance Corporation (IFC)
International Development Association (IDA)
World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)

The Government of the Republic of Benin also notified the Secretary-General of the following:

(Translation) (Original: French)

... The specialized agency is required to comply with the laws and regulations of the Republic of Benin. This obligation covers the scope of peremptory lawfulness, namely:

- traffic regulations;
- laws and regulations on mandatory civil liability insurance, particularly for vehicles, ships and aircraft;
- prohibitions on the importation of prohibited items for reasons relating to safety, health, public order, or on moral grounds;
- criminal law (theft, rape, espionage, illegal possession of weapons, trafficking in weapons and narcotics, abduction or confinement of persons, etc.);
- obligations pertaining to private law.

It also covers certain areas of private law, in particular, the respect of contractual obligations and the rules of labour legislation regarding the employment of locally-hired personnel.

... The privileges, immunities, exemptions and facilities accorded to the Resident Representative shall not be extended to any other officials, except to one acting on the former's behalf during his absence from duty.

... The provisions of section 32 concerning the International Court of Justice shall only apply to the Republic of Benin if a prior attempt to settle the dispute amicably has failed.

In accordance with established practice, the instrument will be deposited with the Secretary-General upon confirmation by the Specialized Agencies that the above statements are acceptable to all the Specialized Agencies.

9 May 2018

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized, overlapping letters, positioned below the date.