

Reference: C.N.28.2019.TREATIES-IV.15 (Depositary Notification)

CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
NEW YORK, 13 DECEMBER 2006

LATVIA: OBJECTION ¹

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

The above action was effected on 5 February 2019.

(Original: English)

“The Government of the Republic of Latvia has carefully examined the declaration made by Libya upon ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

In the view of the Government of the Republic of Latvia, declaration made by Libya according to which Article 25 (a) of the Convention will be interpreted in a manner that does not contravene the Islamic sharia and national legislation, amounts to a reservation.

Moreover, a reservation which subordinates any provision of the Convention in general to the Islamic sharia and national legislation constitutes a reservation of general scope, which is likely to cast doubt on the full commitment of Libya to the object and purpose of the Convention.

The reservation made by Libya seeks to limit the scope of the Convention on a unilateral basis thus the reservation is incompatible with the object and the purpose of the Convention and therefore inadmissible under Article 19(c) of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties. Therefore, the Government of the Republic of Latvia objects to this reservation.

However, this objection shall not preclude the entry into force of the Convention between the Republic of Latvia and Libya. The Convention will thus become operative between the two States without Libya benefitting from its declaration.”

7 February 2019



¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.75.2018.TREATIES-IV.15 of 15 February 2018 (Ratification: Libya).