

Reference: C.N.325.2020.TREATIES-XVIII.11 (Depositary Notification)

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF THE
FINANCING OF TERRORISM

NEW YORK, 9 DECEMBER 1999

IRELAND: OBJECTION TO THE RESERVATION AND STATEMENT MADE BY LEBANON
UPON ACCESSION¹

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

The above action was effected on 29 July 2020.

(Original: English)

“Ireland welcomes the accession of Lebanon to the International Convention for the
Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism on 29 August 2019.

Ireland has examined the reservation and statement made by Lebanon to the International
Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism at the time of its accession to the
Convention on 29 August 2019.

Ireland is of the view that the reservation and statement of Lebanon, regarding the definition
for terrorism set forth in Article 2, paragraph 1 (b) of the Convention, in substance constitutes a
reservation, which seeks to limit the scope of the Convention on a unilateral basis.

Ireland considers the reservation to be contrary to Article 6 of the Convention, according to
which States Parties commit themselves to “adopt such measures as may be necessary, including, where
appropriate, domestic legislation, to ensure that criminal acts within the scope of this Convention are
under no circumstances justifiable by considerations of a political, philosophical, ideological, racial,
ethnic, religious or other similar nature”.

Ireland considers that the reservation is incompatible with the object and purpose of the
Convention, namely the suppression of the financing of terrorist acts, irrespective of where they take
place and who carries them out. Ireland recalls that under international treaty law a reservation
incompatible with the object and purpose of the treaty shall not be permitted.

Ireland therefore objects to the aforesaid reservation made by Lebanon to the International
Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism.

¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.401.2019.TREATIES-XVIII.11 of 29 August 2019
(Accession: Lebanon).

This objection shall not preclude the entry into force of the Convention between Ireland and Lebanon.”

30 July 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized letters that appear to be 'DN' with a horizontal line underneath.