

Reference: C.N.121.2021.TREATIES-XI.B.22 (Depositary Notification)

AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE OF PERISHABLE
FOODSTUFFS AND ON THE SPECIAL EQUIPMENT TO BE USED FOR SUCH
CARRIAGE (ATP)

GENEVA, 1 SEPTEMBER 1970

GERMANY: COMMUNICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 18 (2) (B) OF THE AGREEMENT ¹

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

On 6 April 2021, the Government of Germany notified the Secretary-General, pursuant to article 18 (2) (b) of the Agreement, that although it intended to accept the Proposal of Amendments to the ATP transmitted by C.N.79.2021.TREATIES-XI.B.22 of 4 March 2021 (Proposal of Amendments to the ATP and its annexes), the conditions necessary for such acceptance are not yet fulfilled.

Article 18, paragraphs 2 to 5 of the Agreement, reads as follows:

“2. Within a period of six months following the date on which the proposed amendment is communicated by the Secretary-General, any Contracting Party may inform the Secretary-General

- (a) that it has an objection to the amendment proposed, or
- (b) that, although it intends to accept the proposal, the conditions necessary for such acceptance are not yet fulfilled in its country.

3. If a Contracting Party sends the Secretary-General a communication as provided for in paragraph 2 (b) of this article, it may, so long as it has not notified the Secretary-General of its acceptance, submit an objection to the proposed amendment within a period of nine months following the expiry of the period of six months prescribed in respect of the initial communication.

4. If an objection to the proposed amendment is stated in accordance with the terms of paragraphs 2 and 3 of this article, the amendment shall be deemed not to have been accepted and shall be of no effect.

¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.79.2021.TREATIES-XI.B.22 of 4 March 2021 (Proposal of Amendments to the ATP and its annexes).

5. If no objection to the proposed amendment has been stated in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 of this article, the amendment shall be deemed to have been accepted on the date specified below:

- (a) if no Contracting Party has sent a communication to the Secretary-General in accordance with paragraph 2 (b) of this article, on the expiry of the period of six months referred to in paragraph 2 of this article;
- (b) if at least one Contracting Party has sent a communication to the Secretary-General in accordance with paragraph 2 (b) of this article, on the earlier of the following two dates:
 - the date by which all the Contracting Parties which sent such communications have notified the Secretary-General of their acceptance of the proposed amendment, subject however to the proviso that if all the acceptances were notified before the expiry of the period of six months referred to in paragraph 2 of this article the date shall be the date of expiry of that period;
 - the date of expiry of the period of nine months referred to in paragraph 3 of this article.”

Pursuant to article 18 (3), for any Party sending a communication as provided for in paragraph 2 (b) of this article, and so long as it has not notified the Secretary-General of its acceptance, the period for submitting an objection to the proposed Amendments will expire on 4 June 2022.

7 April 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'D' and 'N' with a horizontal line underneath.