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

The above action was effected on 23 September 2022.

Upon deposit of the instrument of accession, Malawi notified its consent to be bound by Protocols I and II to the above Convention, in accordance with article 4 (3) which reads as follows:

“Expressions of consent to be bound by any of the Protocols annexed to this Convention shall be optional for each State, provided that at the time of the deposit of its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval of this Convention or of accession thereto, that State shall notify the Depositary of its consent to be bound by any two or more of these Protocols”.

The Convention shall enter into force for Malawi on 23 March 2023 in accordance with its article 5 (2) which reads as follows:

“For any State which deposits its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession after the date of the deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, this Convention shall enter into force six months after the date on which that State has deposited its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.”

23 September 2022