

Reference: C.N.353.2024.TREATIES-IV.15 (Depositary Notification)

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

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND: TERRITORIAL
APPLICATION IN RESPECT OF BERMUDA ¹

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

The above action was effected on 17 September 2024.

(Original: English)

“... the Government of the United Kingdom hereby extends the application of its ratification of the [Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)], with the reservations and interpretative declaration which currently apply for the United Kingdom, to the territory of Bermuda, for whose international relations the United Kingdom is responsible.

...

The Government of the United Kingdom considers the extension of the UNCRPD to Bermuda to take effect on the date of deposit of this notification...”

Declaration and reservation (Original: English)

“In addition, the Government of the United Kingdom hereby notifies ... that the following interpretative declaration and reservation for Article 12, relating to supported and substituted decision making, will apply to the territory of Bermuda only:

Bermuda recognises that persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others in all aspects of life. Bermuda declares its understanding that the Convention permits supported and substitute decision-making arrangements which provide for decisions to be made on behalf of a person, where such arrangements are necessary, in accordance with the law, and subject to appropriate and effective safeguards.

To the extent article 12 may be interpreted as requiring the elimination of all substitute decision making arrangements, Bermuda reserves the right to permit such arrangements in appropriate circumstances and subject to appropriate and effective safeguards.”

20 September 2024



¹ Refer to depositary notifications C.N.360.2009.TREATIES-15 of 12 June 2009 (Ratification: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and C.N.803.2011.TREATIES-27 of 22 December 2011 (Withdrawal of reservation under article 12.4: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).