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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF THE FINANCING OF TERRORISM

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UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND: OBJECTION TO THE RESERVATIONS MADE BY THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN UPON ACCESSION[1]

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

The above action was effected on 30 October 2026.

(Original: English)

"The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has examined the reservations and declarations made by the Islamic Republic of Iran on accession to the Convention, which read:

1. *The Islamic Republic of Iran will respect and implement the provisions of the Convention within the framework of its Constitution and domestic laws.*

2. *With respect to para. 1(3) of Resolution No. 50/6 dated 24 October 1995 of the United Nations General Assembly as reflected in the Preamble of the Convention which reaffirms 'the right of self-determination of all peoples, taking into account the particular situation of peoples under colonial or other forms of alien domination or foreign occupation', the Supreme National Security Council of the Islamic Republic of Iran will designate individuals, groups and organizations as terrorist, in line with Article 2(l)(b) of the Convention, and communicate it to the competent national authorities for implementation. The provisions of Article 6 of the Convention cannot confine this explicit right.*

3. *Pursuant to Article 2(2) (a) of the Convention, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran declares that in application of the Convention, the treaties and protocols to which the Islamic Republic of Iran is not a party shall be deemed not included in the annex of the Convention. Furthermore, entry into force of the provisions of Article 23 concerning the amendment of the list of agreements annexed to the Convention shall be, for the Islamic Republic of Iran, subject to compliance with Principles 77 and 125 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Iran.*

4. *The Islamic Republic of Iran does not consider itself bound by the provisions of Article 24(1) of the Convention concerning referral to arbitration or the International Court of Justice in line with paragraph (2) of the said article. In cases where the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran deems it appropriate to refer disputes to arbitration, it may do so in compliance with its domestic laws and regulations.*

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[1] Refer to depositary notification C.N.639.2025.TREATIES-XVIII.11 of 5 November 2025 (Accession: Iran (Islamic Republic of)).

5. *The role assigned to the International Committee of the Red Cross in Article 9(5) of the Convention may be acceptable only within the framework of the humanitarian law instruments to which the Islamic Republic of Iran has acceded.*

6. *With respect to Article 11(4) of the Convention concerning extradition, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran will proceed in accordance with its Constitution and legislations.*

Reservations that leave it uncertain to what extent a State consents to be bound by its obligations are in the opinion of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to be treated as general reservations, which are not compatible with the object and purpose of a Convention. The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland considers that paragraphs 1, 2, 5 and 6 are reservations of that character and therefore objects to them.

This objection shall not preclude the entry into force of the Convention as between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Islamic Republic of Iran."

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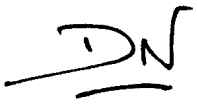
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