

5. a) Amendments to Articles 23, 27 and 61 of the Charter of the United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in resolutions 1991 A and B (XVIII) of 17 December 1963

New York, 17 December 1963¹

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 31 August 1965, in accordance with article 108 for all Members of the United Nations.²

REGISTRATION: 1 March 1966, No. 8132.

STATUS: Parties: 107.

TEXT: United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 557, p. 143.

<i>Participant^{3,4}</i>	<i>Ratification</i>	<i>Participant^{3,4}</i>	<i>Ratification</i>
Afghanistan.....	25 Feb 1965	France	24 Aug 1965
Albania.....	7 Dec 1964	Gabon.....	11 Aug 1964
Algeria	26 Mar 1964	Ghana.....	4 May 1964
Argentina	4 Apr 1966	Greece.....	2 Aug 1965
Australia.....	9 Jun 1965	Guatemala.....	18 Aug 1965
Austria	7 Oct 1964	Guinea.....	19 Aug 1964
Belarus.....	22 Jun 1965	Honduras.....	9 Oct 1968
Belgium	29 Apr 1965	Hungary	23 Feb 1965
Benin.....	17 Sep 1965	Iceland	6 Nov 1964
Bolivia (Plurinational State of).....	19 Jan 1966	India.....	10 Sep 1964
Brazil	23 Dec 1964	Indonesia.....	30 Mar 1973
Bulgaria	13 Jan 1965	Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	12 Jan 1965
Burkina Faso.....	11 Aug 1964	Iraq.....	25 Nov 1964
Burundi	23 Aug 1965	Ireland.....	27 Oct 1964
Cambodia.....	20 Jan 1966	Israel	13 May 1965
Cameroon.....	25 Jun 1964	Italy.....	25 Aug 1965
Canada	9 Sep 1964	Jamaica	12 Mar 1964
Central African Republic.....	6 Aug 1964	Japan	4 Jun 1965
Chad.....	2 Nov 1964	Jordan.....	7 Aug 1964
Chile.....	31 Aug 1965	Kenya.....	28 Oct 1964
Colombia	10 Oct 1966	Kuwait	28 Dec 1964
Congo.....	7 Jul 1965	Lao People's Democratic Republic.....	20 Apr 1965
Costa Rica.....	7 Oct 1964	Lebanon	27 Sep 1965
Côte d'Ivoire	2 Oct 1964	Liberia.....	21 Sep 1964
Cuba.....	22 Dec 1964	Libya.....	27 Aug 1964
Cyprus.....	1 Sep 1965	Luxembourg.....	22 Oct 1965
Democratic Republic of the Congo	20 May 1966	Madagascar.....	14 Dec 1964
Denmark	12 Jan 1965	Malawi	2 Jun 1965
Dominican Republic	4 Nov 1965	Malaysia.....	26 May 1965
Ecuador.....	31 Aug 1965	Mali.....	23 Sep 1964
Egypt.....	16 Dec 1964	Malta.....	23 Jun 1965
El Salvador	1 Dec 1964	Mauritania.....	29 Jan 1965
Ethiopia.....	22 Jul 1964	Mexico.....	5 May 1965
Finland.....	18 Jan 1965	Mongolia.....	10 Mar 1965

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Morocco.....	9 Nov 1964	Somalia	6 Oct 1965
Myanmar.....	3 Jun 1965	Spain	5 Aug 1965
Nepal.....	3 Dec 1964	Sri Lanka.....	13 Nov 1964
Netherlands.....	14 Dec 1964	Sudan	7 May 1965
New Zealand.....	26 Aug 1964	Sweden.....	18 Dec 1964
Niger	8 Sep 1964	Syrian Arab Republic	24 Feb 1965
Nigeria	5 Dec 1964	Thailand	23 Mar 1964
Norway	17 Dec 1964	Togo.....	19 Aug 1964
Pakistan.....	25 Mar 1965	Trinidad and Tobago	18 Aug 1964
Panama.....	27 Jul 1965	Tunisia	29 May 1964
Paraguay	17 Aug 1965	Turkey.....	1 Jul 1965
Peru.....	2 Dec 1966	Uganda.....	10 Feb 1965
Philippines	9 Nov 1964	Ukraine	17 May 1965
Poland.....	8 Jan 1965	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	4 Jun 1965
Romania.....	5 Feb 1965	United Republic of Tanzania.....	7 Oct 1964
Russian Federation	10 Feb 1965	United States of America.....	31 Aug 1965
Rwanda	17 Nov 1964	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).....	1 Sep 1965
Saudi Arabia	17 Jun 1965	Yemen ⁵	7 Jul 1965
Senegal.....	23 Apr 1965	Zambia.....	28 Apr 1965
Sierra Leone.....	25 Mar 1965		

Notes:

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/5515)*, p. 21.

² As depositary of the amendments to the Charter, the Secretary-General drew up a protocol of entry into force of these amendments and communicated it to all Member States.

³ Czechoslovakia had ratified the amendments on 19 January 1965. See also note 1 under “[Czech Republic](#)” and note 1 under “[Slovakia](#)” in the “Historical Information” section.

⁴ Ratification on behalf of the Republic of China on 2 August 1965. See note 1 under “[China](#)” in the “Historical Information” section.

In communications addressed to the Secretary-General, the Permanent Missions to the United Nations of Czechoslovakia, Hungary and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, pointing out that in the annex to the said protocol, which contains a list of States Members of the United Nations having deposited instruments of ratification of the amendments, there is a reference to an instrument of ratification by China, stated that their Governments did not recognize any authority other than the Government of the People's Republic of China as entitled to represent and act on behalf of China and that, therefore, they considered the said instrument as having no legal force whatsoever. They noted, however, the position in this matter of the Government of the People's Republic of China, which had announced that it would not object to the introduction of the amendments to the relevant Articles of the Charter even before

the restoration of the rights of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations.

In a note addressed to the Secretary-General with reference to the communication from the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics mentioned above, the Permanent Representative of the Republic of China to the United Nations stated that the Republic of China, a permanent member of the Security Council, had ratified the amendments and deposited the instrument of ratification with the Secretary-General on 2 August 1965 and that, therefore, there could be no question that the protocol of entry into force of the amendments was valid in its entirety. He further stated that the allegations made by the Soviet Union were untenable both in law and in fact and could in no way affect the validity of the protocol and the entry into force of the amendments.

⁵ The formality was effected by the Yemen Arab Republic. See also note 1 under “[Yemen](#)” in the “Historical Information” section.

