

## 1. b) Amendment to article 7 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization

*Geneva, 20 May 1965*

**NOT YET IN FORCE:** see article 73 of the Constitution which reads as follows: "1. Texts of proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be communicated by the Director-General to Members at least six months in advance of their consideration by the Health Assembly. Amendments shall come into force for all Members when adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Health Assembly and accepted by two-thirds of the Members in accordance with their respective constitutional processes."

**STATUS:** Parties: 98.

**TEXT:** [World Health Assembly resolution 18.48](#); *Official Records of the World Health Organization*, No. 143, p. 32.

*Note:* The amendment to article 7 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization was adopted by the Eighteenth World Health Assembly by resolution WHA 18.48 of 20 May 1965.

<i>Participant</i> <sup>1,2</sup>	<i>Acceptance(A)</i>	<i>Participant</i> <sup>1,2</sup>	<i>Acceptance(A)</i>
Afghanistan.....	16 Nov 1966 A	Dominican Republic .....	13 Dec 1965 A
Algeria .....	27 May 1966 A	Egypt.....	20 Jul 1966 A
Andorra.....	30 Apr 2001 A	Estonia .....	9 Mar 2005 A
Austria .....	15 Sep 2005 A	Ethiopia.....	19 Sep 1966 A
Bahrain.....	25 Jun 1975 A	Fiji .....	9 Feb 1999 A
Bangladesh.....	24 Mar 2000 A	France .....	5 Oct 2000 A
Barbados .....	3 Jul 1967 A	Ghana.....	9 Feb 1966 A
Belize .....	10 Oct 2003 A	Greece.....	7 Dec 1998 A
Benin.....	2 Feb 1966 A	Guinea.....	22 Dec 1965 A
Bhutan.....	14 Apr 1999 A	Iceland .....	29 May 2002 A
Botswana .....	4 Oct 2004 A	India .....	10 May 1966 A
Brazil .....	9 May 2002 A	Iraq.....	12 Feb 1968 A
Bulgaria .....	26 Jan 1973 A	Jamaica .....	28 Sep 1970 A
Burkina Faso.....	6 May 1966 A	Jordan.....	11 May 1970 A
Burundi .....	11 May 1970 A	Kuwait .....	11 May 1966 A
Cameroon.....	5 Sep 1967 A	Lebanon .....	5 Feb 1968 A
Central African Republic.....	30 Dec 1970 A	Liberia.....	16 Sep 2005 A
Chad.....	15 Dec 1998 A	Madagascar .....	26 Nov 1965 A
Colombia .....	29 Jan 2008 A	Maldives .....	10 Jul 1968 A
Cook Islands .....	14 Feb 2000 A	Mali.....	18 Oct 1966 A
Costa Rica.....	15 Jun 1967 A	Malta.....	29 Mar 2000 A
Côte d'Ivoire .....	6 Dec 1965 A	Mauritania.....	26 Oct 1965 A
Croatia .....	29 Jun 2000 A	Mauritius.....	8 Apr 1969 A
Cuba.....	17 Jun 1975 A	Mexico .....	20 Jun 2001 A
Cyprus.....	29 Jul 2002 A	Monaco .....	5 Nov 2003 A
Czech Republic.....	12 Nov 2002 A	Mongolia.....	5 Oct 1971 A
Djibouti .....	30 Mar 2005 A	Morocco.....	2 Mar 1967 A
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Namibia .....	21 Sep 2004 A	Senegal.....	7 Jul 1966 A
Nepal.....	22 Aug 2003 A	Serbia .....	28 Dec 2004 A
New Zealand <sup>3</sup> .....	16 Jun 2000 A	Seychelles .....	6 Oct 2004 A
Niger .....	9 May 1966 A	Sierra Leone.....	3 Mar 1966 A
Nigeria .....	30 Jun 1966 A	Slovakia .....	11 May 2005 A
Niue .....	12 Oct 1998 A	Somalia .....	26 Apr 1971 A
North Macedonia .....	9 Mar 1999 A	Spain .....	26 Sep 2001 A
Oman .....	25 Jun 1971 A	Sudan .....	12 May 1999 A
Pakistan.....	8 Jul 1966 A	Syrian Arab Republic .....	2 Jun 1966 A
Palau .....	7 Oct 2003 A	Thailand.....	22 Jul 1998 A
Panama.....	16 Aug 2004 A	Togo.....	15 Dec 1998 A
Peru.....	20 Jun 1967 A	Trinidad and Tobago .....	2 Dec 1965 A
Philippines .....	20 Nov 1967 A	Tunisia .....	9 Mar 1966 A
Poland .....	19 Feb 1971 A	Uganda.....	26 May 1999 A
Portugal.....	7 Jan 2005 A	United Republic of Tanzania.....	17 Aug 1966 A
Qatar .....	21 Jun 1999 A	Uruguay .....	7 Nov 2007 A
Russian Federation .....	2 Feb 1972 A	Uzbekistan .....	23 Apr 2004 A
Rwanda .....	5 Jan 1966 A	Viet Nam.....	4 Jun 1999 A
Samoa .....	19 Aug 1998 A	Yemen.....	18 Oct 2002 A
San Marino .....	28 Oct 1980 A	Zambia.....	22 Nov 1965 A

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**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> The former Yugoslavia had accepted the amendments on 29 March 1966. See also note 1 under “Bosnia and Herzegovina”, “Croatia”, “former Yugoslavia”, “Slovenia”, “The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” and “Yugoslavia” in the “Historical Information” section in the front matter of this volume.

<sup>2</sup> The German Democratic Republic had accepted the amendment on 21 February 1974. See also note 2 under “Germany” in the “Historical Information” section.

<sup>3</sup> See note 1 under “New Zealand” regarding Tokelau in the “Historical Information” section.

