

**15. UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON INDEPENDENT GUARANTEES AND STAND-BY LETTERS OF CREDIT**

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*Note:* The draft Convention was prepared by the Working Group on International Contract Practices and submitted to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law. The Commission decided at its twenty-eighth session (2-28 May 1995) to submit the draft Convention to the General Assembly for its consideration. Subsequently, the Convention was adopted by the General Assembly at its fiftieth session by resolution No. 48<sup>1</sup>. The Convention is open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York until 11 December 1997.

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Belarus .....	3 Dec 1996	23 Jan 2002	Liberia.....		16 Sep 2005 a
Ecuador .....		18 Jun 1997 a	Panama.....	9 Jul 1997	21 May 1998
El Salvador .....	5 Sep 1997	31 Jul 1998	Tunisia .....		8 Dec 1998 a
Gabon.....		15 Dec 2004 a	United States of America.....	11 Dec 1997	
Kuwait .....		28 Oct 1998 a			

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**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> Document A/RES/50/48.

