

8. AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Rome, 13 June 1976

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REGISTRATION: 30 November 1977, No. 16041.

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TEXT: United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1059, p. 191 (including procès-verbal of rectification of the French text of annex 1); vol. 1141, p. 462 (procès-verbal of rectification of the Arabic authentic text); vol. 1457, p. 372 [amendment to section 8 (a) of article 6]; and depositary notifications C.N.873.1998.TREATIES-2 of 12 March 1999 (amendments to articles 3.3, 3.4, 4.2, 4.5, 5.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.5, 6.6, 12 (A) and 13.3 and Schedules I, II and III effected by Resolution 86/XVIII adopted on 26 January 1995 by the Government Council); C.N.874.1998.TREATIES-3 of 12 March 1999 (amendment to article 4.1 of the Agreement effected by Resolution 100/XX adopted on 21 February 1997 by the Governing Council); C.N.149.2009.TREATIES-2 of 23 July 2009 (amendments to articles 7.2 (A) and (B) of the Agreement effected by Resolution 124/XXIV adopted on 21 February 2001 by the Governing Council); C.N.161.2009.TREATIES-3 of 23 July 2009 (amendments to articles 7.2 (A) and (B) of the Agreement effected by Resolution 141/XXIX adopted on 16 February 2006 by the Governing Council) and C.N.162.2009.TREATIES-4 of 23 July 2009 (amendments to articles 7.2 (G) of the Agreement effected by Resolution 143/XXIX adopted on 16 February 2006 by the Governing Council).

Note: The Agreement was adopted on 13 June 1976 by the United Nations Conference on the Establishment of an International Fund for Agricultural Development, which met at the Headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Food Council in Rome, Italy, from 10 to 13 June 1976. In accordance with section 1 (a) of its article 13, the Agreement was opened for signature by the States concerned on 20 December 1976 at the Headquarters of the United Nations in New York. At its Tenth session held in Rome, the Governing Council of the Fund, by its Resolution 44/X of 11 December 1986 adopted, in accordance with article 12 of the Agreement, an amendment to section 8 (a) of article 6 of the Agreement, which amendment entered into force on 11 March 1987, in accordance with article 12 (a) (ii).

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Afghanistan.....		13 Dec 1978 a	Bhutan.....		13 Dec 1978 a
Albania.....		3 Nov 1992 a	Bolivia (Plurinational State of).....	27 Jul 1977	30 Dec 1977
Algeria.....	20 Jul 1977	26 May 1978 AA	Bosnia and Herzegovina.....		18 Mar 1994 a
Angola.....		24 Apr 1985 a	Botswana.....		21 Jul 1977 a
Antigua and Barbuda.....		21 Jan 1986 a	Brazil.....	13 Apr 1977	2 Nov 1978
Argentina.....	14 Apr 1977	11 Sep 1978	Burkina Faso.....		14 Dec 1977 a
Armenia.....		23 Mar 1993 a	Burundi.....		13 Dec 1978 a
Australia ¹	[30 Mar 1977]	[21 Oct 1977]	Cabo Verde.....		12 Oct 1977 a
Austria.....	1 Apr 1977	12 Dec 1977	Cambodia.....		25 Aug 1992 a
Azerbaijan.....		11 Apr 1994 a	Cameroon.....		20 Jun 1977 a
Bahamas.....		28 Feb 2008 a	Canada.....	10 Feb 1977	28 Nov 1977
Bangladesh.....	17 Mar 1977	9 May 1977	Central African Republic.....		11 Dec 1978 a
Barbados.....		13 Dec 1978 a	Chad.....	13 Oct 1977	3 Nov 1977
Belgium.....	16 Mar 1977	9 Dec 1977	Chile.....	19 Jan 1977	2 Jun 1978
Belize.....		15 Dec 1982 a			
Benin.....		28 Dec 1977 a			

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China.....		15 Jan 1980 a	India.....	21 Jan 1977	28 Mar 1977
Colombia.....		16 Jul 1979 a	Indonesia.....	18 Feb 1977	27 Sep 1977
Comoros.....		13 Dec 1977 a	Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	27 Apr 1977	12 Dec 1977
Congo.....	30 Jun 1977	27 Jul 1978	Iraq.....	23 Nov 1977	13 Dec 1977
Cook Islands.....		25 Mar 1993 a	Ireland.....	28 Apr 1977	14 Oct 1977
Costa Rica.....	20 Dec 1977	16 Nov 1978	Israel.....	28 Apr 1977	10 Jan 1978
Côte d'Ivoire.....		19 Jan 1982 a	Italy.....	26 Jan 1977	10 Dec 1977
Croatia.....		24 Mar 1997 a	Jamaica.....	24 Mar 1977	13 Apr 1977
Cuba.....	23 Sep 1977	15 Nov 1977	Japan.....	11 Feb 1977	25 Oct 1977 A
Cyprus.....		20 Dec 1977 a	Jordan.....		15 Feb 1979 a
Democratic People's Republic of Korea....		23 Feb 1987 a	Kazakhstan.....		25 Sep 1998 a
Democratic Republic of the Congo.....	23 May 1977	12 Oct 1977	Kenya.....	30 Mar 1977	10 Nov 1977
Denmark.....	11 Jan 1977	28 Jun 1977	Kiribati.....		23 Feb 2005 a
Djibouti.....		14 Dec 1977 a	Kuwait.....	4 Mar 1977	29 Jul 1977
Dominica.....		29 Jan 1980 a	Kyrgyzstan.....		10 Sep 1993 a
Dominican Republic.....		29 Dec 1977 a	Lao People's Democratic Republic.....		13 Dec 1978 a
Ecuador.....	1 Apr 1977	19 Jul 1977	Lebanon.....		20 Jun 1978 a
Egypt.....	18 Feb 1977	11 Oct 1977	Lesotho.....		13 Dec 1977 a
El Salvador.....	21 Mar 1977	31 Oct 1977	Liberia.....		11 Apr 1978 a
Equatorial Guinea.....		29 Jul 1981 a	Libya.....		15 Apr 1977 a
Eritrea.....		31 Mar 1994 a	Luxembourg ⁷	18 Feb 1977	9 Dec 1977
Estonia.....		5 Dec 2012 a	Madagascar.....		12 Jan 1979 a
Eswatini.....	18 Nov 1977	18 Nov 1977	Malawi.....		13 Dec 1977 a
Ethiopia.....	20 Jul 1977	7 Sep 1977	Malaysia.....		23 Jan 1990 a
Fiji.....		28 Mar 1978 a	Maldives.....		15 Jan 1980 a
Finland.....	24 Feb 1977	30 Nov 1977	Mali.....	30 Jun 1977	30 Sep 1977
France.....	21 Jan 1977	12 Dec 1977 AA	Malta.....	24 Feb 1977	23 Sep 1977
Gabon.....		5 Jun 1978 a	Marshall Islands.....		18 Feb 2009 a
Gambia.....		13 Dec 1977 a	Mauritania.....		26 Jun 1979 a
Georgia.....		1 Feb 1995 a	Mauritius.....		29 Jan 1979 a
Germany ^{3,4}	29 Mar 1977	14 Oct 1977	Mexico.....	2 Aug 1977	31 Oct 1977
Ghana.....	19 Oct 1977	5 Dec 1977	Micronesia (Federated States of).....		16 Feb 2015 a
Greece ⁵	1 Jul 1977	30 Nov 1978	Mongolia.....		9 Feb 1994 a
Grenada.....		25 Jul 1980 a	Montenegro.....		16 Feb 2015 a
Guatemala.....		30 Nov 1978 a	Morocco.....	22 Dec 1976	16 Dec 1977
Guinea ⁶	3 May 1977	12 Jul 1977	Mozambique.....		16 Oct 1978 a
Guinea-Bissau.....		25 Jan 1978 a	Myanmar.....		23 Jan 1990 a
Guyana.....		13 Dec 1977 a	Namibia.....		16 Oct 1992 a
Haiti.....		19 Dec 1977 a	Nauru.....		13 Feb 2013 a
Honduras.....	5 Jul 1977	13 Dec 1977	Nepal.....		5 May 1978 a
Hungary.....		13 Jul 2011 a			
Iceland.....		8 Aug 2001 a			

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Netherlands ⁸	4 Feb 1977	29 Jul	1977 A	St. Kitts and Nevis		21 Jan	1986 a
New Zealand ⁹	10 Oct 1977	10 Oct	1977	St. Lucia.....		9 Oct	1980 a
Nicaragua.....	18 May 1977	28 Oct	1977	St. Vincent and the Grenadines		8 Mar	1990 a
Niger.....		13 Dec	1977 a	Sudan.....	21 Mar 1977	12 Dec	1977
Nigeria.....	6 May 1977	25 Oct	1977	Suriname.....		15 Feb	1983 a
Niue		20 Jul	2006 a	Sweden.....	12 Jan 1977	17 Jun	1977
North Macedonia		26 Jan	1994 a	Switzerland.....	24 Jan 1977	21 Oct	1977
Norway.....	20 Jan 1977	8 Jul	1977	Syrian Arab Republic	8 Sep 1977	29 Nov	1978
Oman		19 Apr	1983 a	Tajikistan		26 Jan	1994 a
Pakistan ¹⁰	28 Jan 1977	9 Mar	1977	Thailand.....	19 Apr 1977	30 Nov	1977
Palau		16 Feb	2015 a	Timor-Leste		4 Mar	2003 a
Panama.....	8 Mar 1977	13 Apr	1977	Togo.....		26 Apr	1979 a
Papua New Guinea	4 Jan 1978	11 May	1978	Tonga.....		12 Apr	1982 a
Paraguay		23 Mar	1979 a	Trinidad and Tobago ¹¹ ...		24 Mar	1988 a
Peru.....	20 Sep 1977	6 Dec	1977	Tunisia.....	27 Jan 1977	23 Aug	1977
Philippines	5 Jan 1977	4 Apr	1977	Turkey.....	17 Nov 1977	14 Dec	1977
Portugal ⁵	30 Sep 1977	30 Nov	1978	Tuvalu.....		13 Feb	2013 a
Qatar		13 Dec	1977 a	Uganda.....	6 Jul 1977	31 Aug	1977
Republic of Korea.....	2 Mar 1977	26 Jan	1978	United Arab Emirates	5 Oct 1977	28 Dec	1977 A
Republic of Moldova.....		17 Jan	1996 a	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	7 Jan 1977	9 Sep	1977
Romania.....	22 Mar 1977	25 Nov	1977	United Republic of Tanzania.....	18 Jul 1977	25 Nov	1977
Russian Federation		19 Feb	2014 a	United States of America.....	22 Dec 1976	4 Oct	1977
Rwanda.....	10 May 1977	29 Nov	1977	Uruguay	5 Apr 1977	16 Dec	1977
Samoa		13 Dec	1977 a	Uzbekistan		19 Feb	2011 a
Sao Tome and Principe..		22 Apr	1978 a	Vanuatu.....		13 Feb	2013 a
Saudi Arabia	5 Jul 1977	15 Jul	1977	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	4 Jan 1977	13 Oct	1977
Senegal.....	19 Jul 1977	13 Dec	1977	Viet Nam.....		13 Dec	1977 a
Seychelles		13 Dec	1978 a	Yemen ¹²		13 Dec	1977 a
Sierra Leone.....	15 Feb 1977	14 Oct	1977	Zambia		16 Dec	1977 a
Solomon Islands		13 Mar	1981 a	Zimbabwe		22 Jan	1981 a
Somalia.....	26 Jan 1977	8 Sep	1977				
South Africa.....		14 Feb	1997 a				
South Sudan.....		22 Feb	2012 a				
Spain.....	22 Jun 1977	27 Nov	1978				
Sri Lanka.....	15 Feb 1977	23 Mar	1977				

***Amount of the initial contribution as specified in the instrument in accordance with article 4(2)(a) and (b)
(showing in parentheses the category of the contribution)¹³***

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Currency Unit</i>	<i>Amount</i>	
Algeria	US dollar	10 000 000	(II)
[Australia ¹].....	[Australian dollar]	[8,000,000]	[(I)]
Austria	US dollar	4,800,000	(I)

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Currency Unit</i>	<i>Amount</i>	
Barbados	US dollar	1,000	(III)
Belgium	Belgian franc	500,000,000	(I)
Belgium	US dollar	1,000,000	
Burkina Faso.....	US dollar	10,000	(III)
Canada	Canadian dollar	33,000,000	(I)
Central African Republic.....	CFA franc	1,000,000	(III)
Comoros.....	CFA franc	10,000,000	(III)
Cyprus.....	US dollar	10,000	(III)
Denmark	US dollar	7,500,000	(I)
El Salvador	Colón	100,000	(III)
Fiji	US dollar	5,000	(III)
Finland	Finnish mark	12,000,000	(I)
France	French franc	127,500,000	(I)
Gabon.....	US dollar	500,000	(II)
Georgia	US dollar	10,000	(III)
Germany	US dollar	55 000 000	(I)
Ghana.....	US dollar	100,000	(III)
Greece.....	US dollar	150,000	(I)
Guinea.....	Sili	25,000,000	(III)
Indonesia.....	US dollar	1,250,000	(II)
Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	US dollar	124,750,000	(II)
Iraq.....	US dollar	20,000,000	(II)
Ireland.....	Pound sterling	570,000	(I)
Italy	US dollar	25,000,000	(I)
Japan	Equivalent to US dollar	55,000,000	(I)
Kuwait	US dollar	36,000,000	(II)
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	US dollar	20,000,000	(II)
Luxembourg.....	Belgian franc		(I)
Malawi	US dollar	5,000	(III)
Mozambique	Escudo	1,200,000	(III)
Netherlands.....	Guilder	100,000,000	(I)
New Zealand.....	New Zealand dollar	2,000,000	(I)
Niger	CFA franc	15,000,000	(III)
Nigeria	US dollar	26,000,000	(II)
Norway	Norwegian krone	130,000,000	(I)
Pakistan.....	US dollar	1,000,000	(III)
Papua New Guinea	US dollar	20,000	(III)
Peru.....	US dollar	3,000,000	(III)
Philippines	US dollar	250,000	(III)
Qatar	US dollar	9,000,000	(II)
Samoa	US dollar	10,000	(III)
Saudi Arabia	US dollar	105,500,000	(II)
Seychelles	US dollar	5,000	(III)
South Africa.....	US dollar	500,000	(III)
Spain	Pesetas	2,000,000	(I)
St. Kitts and Nevis.....	US dollar	1,000	(III)

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Currency Unit</i>	<i>Amount</i>	
Sweden.....	Swedish krona	115,000,000	(I)
Switzerland.....	Swisse franc	22,000,000	(I)
Togo.....	CFA franc	3,000,000	(III)
United Arab Emirates.....	US dollar	16,500,000	(II)
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	Pound sterling	18,000,000	(I)
United States of America.....	US dollar	200,000,000	(I)
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).....	US dollar	66,000,000	(II)
Viet Nam.....	Dong	500,000	(III)
Yemen.....	US dollar	50,000	(III)
Zambia.....	Kwacha	50,000	(III)

(Unless otherwise indicated, the declarations and reservations were made upon ratification, accession, acceptance or approval.)

CUBA

The Government of the Republic of Cuba considers that, although the Agreement deals with matters affecting the interests of all States, the provisions of article 3, section 1, are discriminatory in nature since they deprive a number of States of the right to sign and accede to the Agreement, contrary to the principle of universality.

The Government of the Republic of Cuba wishes to make an express reservation to article 11, section 2, of the Agreement, since it feels that any disputes arising between States, or between States and the Fund, concerning the interpretation or application of the Agreement should be resolved through direct negotiations by diplomatic means.

EGYPT¹⁴

FRANCE

In depositing its instrument of approval, the Government of the French Republic declares, in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of article 13, that it will not accept, in so far as it is concerned, the application of the procedure provided for in section 2 of article 11 whereby a party may request the President of the International Court of Justice to appoint an arbitrator.

GUATEMALA

The *de facto* relations which may arise between Guatemala and Belize as a result of the latter's accession to the Agreement should not in any way be construed as a recognition on the part of Guatemala of the sovereignty and independence of that territory, which were unilaterally declared by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

IRAQ

"Entry into the [. . .] Agreement by the Republic of Iraq shall, however, in no way signify recognition of Israel or be conducive to entry into any relations with it."

KUWAIT

"It is understood that the ratification by the State of Kuwait of the Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development, signed by the State of Kuwait on 4 March, 1977, does not mean in any way recognition of Israel by the State of Kuwait. Furthermore, no treaty relations will arise between the State of Kuwait and Israel."

ROMANIA

The interpretation and application of the provisions of the Agreement establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development, including those relating to voting procedures, and all activities of IFAD must take place on a democratic basis, in accordance with the purpose for which the Fund was established, namely, to assist the developing countries in their efforts to develop their agriculture.

The Socialist Republic of Romania declares, pursuant to the provisions of article 13, section 4, of the Agreement establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), concluded at Rome on 13 June 1976, that it does not consider itself bound by the provisions of article 11, section 2, of the Agreement.

The Socialist Republic of Romania considers that disputes between the Fund and a State which has ceased to be a member, or between the Fund and one of the members upon the termination of the Fund's operations, can be submitted to arbitration only with the consent of all parties to the dispute in each individual case.

SAUDI ARABIA

The participation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in the Agreement shall in no way imply recognition of Israel and shall not lead to entry into dealings with Israel under this Agreement.

SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC¹⁵

"It is understood that the ratification of this Agreement by the Syrian Arab Republic does not mean in any way recognition of Israel by the Syrian Arab Republic. Furthermore, no treaty relations will arise between the Syrian Arab Republic and Israel."

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

"The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland [notifies the Secretary-General] in accordance with article 10, section 2 (b) (ii) of the Agreement, that the standard clauses of the Convention on the privileges and immunities of the specialized agencies shall apply to the Fund in the United Kingdom, subject to the following modifications:

"1. The following shall be substituted for section 4:

(1) The Fund shall have immunity from jurisdiction and execution except: (a) to the extent that it shall, by a decision of the Executive Board, have waived such immunity in a particular case. However, the Fund shall be deemed to have waived such immunity if, upon receiving a request for waiver submitted either by the person or body before which the proceedings are pending, or by another party to the proceedings, it has not given notice within two months after receipt of the request that it does not waive immunity; (b) in respect of a civil action by a third party in respect of loss, injury or damage arising from an accident caused by a vehicle belonging to, or operated on behalf of, the Fund or in respect of an offence involving such a vehicle; (c)

in the event of the attachment, pursuant to a decision of a judicial authority, of the salary and emoluments owed by the Fund to a member of its staff;

(d) in respect of the enforcement of an arbitration award made under article 11 of the Agreement establishing the Fund. (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) of this section no action shall be brought against the Fund by a Member or person acting for or deriving claims from a Member."

"2. The immunity conferred by section 5 upon the property and assets of the Fund shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph 1 (c) above.

"3. The following shall be substituted for section 11:

"Official communications of the Fund shall be accorded by the Government of the United Kingdom treatment not less favourable than that which it accords to the official communications of other international

financial institutions of which it is a Member, taking into account its international obligations in respect of telecommunications."

"4. The following shall be substituted for sections 13-15, 17-21, and 25-30:

(1) All representatives of Members (other than representatives of the Government of the United Kingdom), the President and all other staff of the Fund:

(a) shall be immune from legal process in respect of acts performed by them in the exercise of their functions, except in the case of loss, injury or damage caused by a vehicle belonging to or driven by them or an offence involving such a vehicle; (b) shall be accorded no less favourable immunities from immigration restrictions, alien registration requirements and national service obligations, and no less favourable treatment as regards exchange regulations, than are accorded by the Government of the United Kingdom to the representatives to, and officials and employees of comparable rank of any other international financial institution of which it is a Member; and (c) shall be granted no less favourable treatment in respect of travelling facilities than is accorded by the Government of the United Kingdom to representatives to, and officials and employees of comparable rank of, any other international financial institution of which it is a member. (2) (a) No tax shall be levied on or in respect of salaries and emoluments paid by the Fund to the President and other members of the staff of the Fund unless they are citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies or resident in the United Kingdom. (b) The provisions of paragraph (a) shall not apply to annuities and pensions paid by the Fund to its former President or other members of its staff."

UZBEKISTAN

"In accordance with section 4 of article 13 of the Agreement, the Republic of Uzbekistan declares that it does not consider itself bound by the provisions of section 2 of article 11 of the Agreement."

VENEZUELA (BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF)

Since the procedure established for the settlement of disputes arising in connexion with the application or interpretation of this Agreement is incompatible with Venezuelan legislation, Venezuela expresses a specific reservation concerning article 11, section 2.

Notes:

¹ On 1 September 2004, the Government of Australia informed the Secretary-General that it had decided to denounce the Agreement. The action will become effective for Australia on 31 July 2007, in accordance with its article 9, Section 1(b).

² The former Yugoslavia had signed and ratified the Agreement on 10 February 1977 and 12 December 1977, respectively [the amount of the initial contribution as specified in the instrument in accordance with article 4(2) (a) and (b) being in US dollars 300, 000 (category III) to be paid in dinars]. 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.

³ See note 2 under "Germany" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁴ See note 1 under "Germany" regarding Berlin (West) in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁵ By resolutions 53/XII and 65/XIV, the Governing Council of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, at its Twelfth and Fourteenth Sessions, held from 24 to 26 January and 7 to 8 June 1989, and from 29 to 30 May 1991, decided, in accordance with section 3 (b) of article 3 of the Agreement, to reclassify Greece and Portugal from Category III to Category I, with effect from 24 January 1989 and 29 May 1991, respectively.

⁶ The amount payable in three instalments.

⁷ In its instrument of ratification the Government of Luxembourg specified that its initial contribution would consist

in the equivalent 320,000 Special Drawing Rights (SDR) in Belgian francs.

⁸ For the Kingdom in Europe and as from 1 January 1986 to Aruba. See also note 1 under "Netherlands" regarding Aruba/Netherlands Antilles in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁹ See note 1 under "New Zealand" regarding Tokelau in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

¹⁰ One half of the amount payable in Pakistan rupees and one half payable in convertible currency.

¹¹ On 27 March 1997, the Government of Trinidad and Tobago notified the Secretary-General of its denunciation of the Agreement. The withdrawal was to take effect on 27 September 1997. On 26 September 1997, the Government of Trinidad and Tobago notified the Secretary-General of its decision to suspend the withdrawal from the Agreement.

¹² Of the amount, 10,000 United States dollars freely convertible. The Yemen Arab Republic acceded to the Fund on 6 February 1979 (its membership having been approved by the Governing Council on 13 December 1977). See also note 1 under "Yemen" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

¹³ Categories of States not having made an initial contribution, in accordance with article 4 (2) (a) and (b), included:

Category I: Portugal.

Category III: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Cook Islands, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Israel, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Oman, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay and Zimbabwe.

¹⁴ In a notification received on 18 January 1980, the Government of Egypt informed the Secretary-General that it had decided to withdraw the declaration relating to Israel. The notification indicates 25 January 1980 as the effective date of the withdrawal. For the text of the said declaration see United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1059, p. 319.

¹⁵ In a communication received by the Secretary-General on 24 January 1979, the Government of Israel declared the following:

"The instrument deposited by the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic contains a statement of a political character in respect to Israel. In the view of the Government of Israel, this is not the proper place for making such political pronouncements, which are moreover in flagrant contradiction to the principles, objects and purposes of the Organization. That pronouncement by the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic cannot in any way affect whatever obligations are binding upon it under general international law or under particular treaties.

"The Government of Israel will, insofar as concerns the substance of the matter, adopt towards the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic an attitude of complete reciprocity."

