

**14. AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS  
GOODS BY ROAD (ADR)**

*Geneva, 30 September 1957*

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amended); C.N.738.2012.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 26 December 2012 (proposal of corrections to annexes A and B, as amended) and C.N.207.2013.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 1 April 2013 (Corrections); C.N.482.2013.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 25 July 2013 (proposal of corrections to annex A) and C.N.921.2013.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 7 November 2013 (Corrections); C.N.448.2014.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 1 July 2014 (proposal of amendments to annexes A and B, as amended) and C.N.664.2014.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 7 October 2014 (entry into force); C.N.756.2014.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 8 December 2014 (Proposal of corrections to annexes A and B) and C.N.158.2015.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 13 March 2015 (Corrections); C.N.354.2015.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 26 June 2015 (Proposal of amendments by Portugal to annexes A and B, as amended) and C.N.710.2015.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 4 January 2016 (Entry into force of amendments to Annexes A and B, as amended); C.N.371.2015.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 26 June 2015 (Proposal of corrections to annexes A and B) and C.N.445.2015.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 5 August 2015 (Corrections); C.N.443.2016.Reissued.11072016.TREATIES-XI.B.14 of 12 July 2016 (Proposal of amendments by Portugal to annexes A and B, as amended) and C.N.744.2016.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 10 October 2016 (Entry into force of amendments to Annexes A and B, as amended); C.N.891.2016.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 7 December 2016 (Proposal of Corrections to Annexes A and B) and C.N.120.2017.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 20 March 2017 (Corrections); C.N.345.2017.TREATIES-XI.B.14 of 3 July 2017 (Proposal of amendments by Portugal to annexes A and B, as amended) and C.N.626.2017.TREATIES-XI.B.14 of 9 October 2017 (Entry into force); C.N.304.2018.TREATIES-XI-B-14 of 1 July 2018 (Proposal of amendments to Annexes A and B, as amended) and CN.488.2018.TREATIES-XI.B.14 of 15 October 2018 (Entry into force); CN.233.2019.TREATIES-XI.B.14 of 31 May 2019 (Adoption of a Protocol amending the title of the ADR) and CN.606.2019.TREATIES-XI.B.14 of 4 December 2019 (Acceptance); C.N.274.2020.TREATIES-XI.B.14 of 1 July 2020 (Amendments to annexes A and B) and C.N.438.2020.TREATEIS-XI.B.14 of 9 October 2020 (Entry into force).

<i>Participant<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Accession(a), Succession(d), Ratification</i>	<i>Participant<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Accession(a), Succession(d), Ratification</i>
Albania.....		26 Jan 2005 a	Latvia.....		11 Apr 1996 a
Andorra.....		9 Mar 2009 a	Liechtenstein.....		12 Dec 1994 a
Armenia.....		12 Apr 2022 a	Lithuania.....		7 Dec 1995 a
Austria.....	13 Dec 1957	20 Sep 1973	Luxembourg.....	13 Dec 1957	21 Jul 1970
Azerbaijan.....		28 Sep 2000 a	Malta.....		8 May 2007 a
Belarus.....		5 Apr 1993 a	Montenegro <sup>7</sup> .....		23 Oct 2006 d
Belgium.....	18 Oct 1957	25 Aug 1960	Morocco.....		11 May 2001 a
Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>3</sup> .....		1 Sep 1993 d	Netherlands <sup>8</sup> .....	13 Dec 1957	1 Nov 1963
Bulgaria.....		12 May 1995 a	Nigeria.....		18 Oct 2018 a
Croatia <sup>3</sup> .....		23 Nov 1992 d	North Macedonia <sup>3</sup> .....		18 Apr 1997 d
Cyprus.....		19 Apr 2004 a	Norway.....		5 Feb 1976 a
Czech Republic <sup>4</sup> .....		2 Jun 1993 d	Poland.....		6 May 1975 a
Denmark.....		1 Jul 1981 a	Portugal.....		29 Dec 1967 a
Estonia.....		25 Jun 1996 a	Republic of Moldova.....		14 Jul 1998 a
Finland.....		28 Feb 1979 a	Romania.....		8 Jun 1994 a
France.....	13 Dec 1957	2 Feb 1960	Russian Federation.....		28 Apr 1994 a
Georgia.....		19 Sep 2016 a	San Marino.....		15 Jan 2018 a
Germany <sup>5,6</sup> .....	13 Dec 1957	27 Dec 1973 a	Serbia <sup>3</sup> .....		12 Mar 2001 d
Greece.....		27 May 1988 a	Slovakia <sup>4</sup> .....		28 May 1993 d
Hungary.....		19 Jul 1979 a	Slovenia <sup>3</sup> .....		6 Jul 1992 d
Iceland.....		24 Feb 2011 a	Spain.....		22 Nov 1972 a
Ireland.....		12 Oct 2006 a	Sweden.....		1 Mar 1974 a
Italy.....	13 Dec 1957	3 Jun 1963	Switzerland.....	6 Nov 1957	20 Jun 1972
Kazakhstan.....		26 Jul 2001 a	Tajikistan.....		28 Dec 2011 a

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Tunisia .....		3 Sep 2008 a	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	1 Oct 1957	29 Jun 1968
Turkey.....		22 Feb 2010 a	Uzbekistan .....		24 Jan 2020 a
Ukraine .....		1 May 2000 a			

***Declarations and Reservations***  
***(Unless otherwise indicated, the declarations and reservations were made upon ratification, accession or succession.)***

**CZECH REPUBLIC<sup>4</sup>**

**HUNGARY**

The Hungarian People's Republic does not consider itself bound by the provisions of article 11 of the Agreement concerning compulsory arbitration.

**SLOVAKIA<sup>4</sup>**

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> In accordance with Article 3 (2) of the Protocol amending article 14 (3) of the European Agreement of 30 September 1957 concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), "[a]ny State becoming a Contracting Party to the Agreement after the entry into force of the present Protocol shall be a Contracting Party to the Agreement as amended by the Protocol."

In accordance with Article 7 of the Protocol amending article 1 (a), article 14 (1) and article 14 (3) (b) of the European Agreement of 30 September 1957 concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), "[a]ny State which becomes a Party to the Agreement after the conditions of the entry into force of this Protocol according to Article 6 have been met shall be considered as a Contracting Party to the Agreement as amended by the Protocol."

<sup>2</sup> On 27 September 2006, the Government of Switzerland notified the Secretary-General of its objection to the above amendments as indicated in depositary notification circulated on 22 January 2007. The objection reads as follows:

"The Swiss Confederation rejects the proposed amendment because it could lead to a lessening of road safety on Swiss sovereign territory. By contrast with existing Swiss legislation, the proposed new international regulations relating to tunnels will not apply to exempted dangerous goods. This is especially problematic with respect to exempted limited quantities, since the new regulations will permit the carriage of considerable quantities of dangerous goods. Furthermore, a comparison between existing Swiss legislation and the new ADR tunnel regulations shows that it would only be possible to maintain the current standard of safety in Switzerland if extensive support measures were to be introduced relating to transport through tunnels, and these pleasures would in turn result in considerable additional costs.

We also question whether from a legal point of view the introduction of "compelling regulations" relating to tunnels at

the international level is reconcilable with the provisions of the ADR."

By 1 October 2006, that is to say, on the expiry of the period of three months, no further objection had been notified to the Secretary-General. Consequently, the amendments have been deemed accepted in accordance with article 14 (3) of the Agreement and will enter into force three months after the date of acceptance, i.e., on 1 January 2007.

<sup>3</sup> The former Yugoslavia had acceded to the Agreement on 28 May 1971. 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>4</sup> Czechoslovakia had acceded to the Convention on 17 July 1986, with the following reservation and declaration:

**Reservation:**

"The Czechoslovak Socialist Republic declares that within the meaning of article 12, para. 1, of the Agreement it does not feel bound by the provisions of article 11, paras. 2 and 3, of the Agreement."

**Declaration:**

"The provision of article 10 of the Agreement contravenes the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples that was adopted at the XVth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations in 1960 and the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic therefore regards the said provision as superseded."

See also note 1 under "Czech Republic" and note 1 under "Slovakia" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

<sup>5</sup> See note 1 under “Germany” regarding Berlin (West) in the “Historical Information” section in the front matter of this volume.

<sup>6</sup> The German Democratic Republic had acceded to the Agreement on 27 December 1973 with a reservation. For the text of the reservation, see United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 905, p. 86. See also note 2 under “Germany” in the “Historical Information” section in the front matter of this volume.

<sup>7</sup> See note 1 under "Montenegro" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

<sup>8</sup> For the Kingdom in Europe.

