

46. INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER AGREEMENT, 2006

Geneva, 27 January 2006

ENTRY INTO FORCE: definitively on 7 December 2011, in accordance with article 39(1).

REGISTRATION: 7 December 2011, No. 49197.

STATUS: Signatories: 60. Parties: 76.

TEXT: United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2797, p.75; Doc. [TD/TIMBER.3/12](#).

Note: The above Agreement was adopted on 27 January 2006 at Geneva by the United Nations Conference for the Negotiation of a Successor Agreement to the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 1994. In accordance with its article 36, the Agreement shall be open for signature at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 3 April 2006 until one month after the date of its entry into force, by Governments invited to the United Nations Conference for the Negotiation of a Successor Agreement to the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 1994.

3 December 2021 Extension of the Agreement until 6 December 2026.

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Provisional application(n)</i>	<i>Approval(AA), Acceptance(A), Accession(a), Ratification, Definitive signature(s)</i>
Albania.....			26 Oct 2011 s
Angola			7 Jul 2022 a
Australia.....	30 Jun 2008		24 Sep 2008
Austria	23 Oct 2009		3 Feb 2010
Belgium	25 Apr 2008	25 Apr 2008 n	28 Jul 2015
Benin.....	7 Dec 2011		7 Dec 2011
Brazil	9 Sep 2010		18 Oct 2013
Bulgaria	26 Nov 2008		17 Dec 2009
Cambodia.....	3 Feb 2009		15 Jul 2009 A
Cameroon.....	13 Feb 2007		21 Aug 2009
Canada ¹			22 Nov 2023 a
Central African Republic.....	1 May 2008		4 Nov 2014 A
China.....	28 May 2008		14 Dec 2009 AA
Colombia	3 May 2007		15 Mar 2013
Congo.....	31 Jul 2008		2 Dec 2010 A
Costa Rica.....			1 Nov 2013 a
Côte d'Ivoire	31 Oct 2008		31 Oct 2008 AA
Croatia			28 Apr 2015 a
Cyprus.....	9 Jul 2010		9 Jul 2010
Czech Republic.....	23 Sep 2008		17 Dec 2009
Democratic Republic of the Congo			21 Jul 2010 s
Denmark ²			18 Nov 2009 s
Ecuador.....	24 May 2007		5 Nov 2008
Estonia	23 Sep 2009		9 Aug 2011
European Union ³	2 Nov 2007	2 Nov 2007 n	28 Mar 2012 AA
Fiji	23 Apr 2010		23 Apr 2010

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Finland.....	19 Feb 2008		17 Dec 2009 A
France	7 Nov 2008		7 Apr 2010 AA
Gabon.....	11 Nov 2008		11 Nov 2008 A
Germany	17 Dec 2009		17 Dec 2009 AA
Ghana.....			7 Oct 2008 s
Greece.....	29 Oct 2007		21 Oct 2011
Guatemala.....	14 Jul 2006		3 Feb 2011
Guyana.....			2 Dec 2008 s
Honduras.....	30 Jul 2008		14 Nov 2011
Hungary	1 Jun 2010		28 Mar 2012 AA
India.....	23 Apr 2008		25 Jul 2008
Indonesia.....	7 Apr 2006		31 Mar 2009
Ireland.....	26 Jun 2009		17 Dec 2009
Italy.....	26 Jun 2008		23 Sep 2009
Japan	16 Feb 2007		31 Aug 2007 A
Latvia.....	9 Dec 2010		15 Dec 2010 AA
Liberia.....	3 Nov 2008		3 Nov 2008 A
Lithuania.....	30 Apr 2008		17 Dec 2009
Luxembourg.....	10 Sep 2009		7 Jul 2010
Madagascar.....	19 Sep 2006		27 Oct 2016
Malaysia.....	28 Mar 2007		28 Sep 2007
Mali.....	24 Sep 2009		25 Oct 2010
Malta.....			18 Nov 2010 s
Mexico.....	25 Jul 2007		6 Mar 2008
Mozambique.....			5 Nov 2012 a
Myanmar.....	5 Aug 2011		12 Sep 2011
Netherlands (Kingdom of the) ⁴	4 Dec 2007		30 Sep 2009 A
New Zealand ⁵	6 Mar 2008		13 Oct 2008
Nigeria.....	14 Nov 2011		
Norway	13 Sep 2006		3 Sep 2008
Panama.....	8 Dec 2006		14 Feb 2008
Papua New Guinea	16 Dec 2010		16 Dec 2010
Paraguay	28 Sep 2010		
Peru.....	30 Jan 2008		16 Jun 2010
Philippines	29 Sep 2008		8 Jul 2009
Poland	5 Nov 2010		5 Nov 2010
Portugal.....	9 Jun 2008		17 Dec 2009
Republic of Korea.....			3 Feb 2009 s
Romania.....	25 Sep 2008		17 Dec 2009
Slovakia	6 Mar 2009		17 Dec 2009
Slovenia	15 Dec 2008		17 Dec 2009
Spain	23 Sep 2008		17 Dec 2009
Suriname.....			28 Feb 2014 a

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Sweden.....	28 Oct 2008		28 Oct 2008
Switzerland.....	13 Dec 2006		27 Apr 2007
Thailand.....			1 Sep 2015 a
Togo.....	21 Apr 2006		16 Nov 2009 A
Trinidad and Tobago			5 Nov 2012 a
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ⁶	21 Dec 2007	21 Dec 2007 n	5 Mar 2009
United States of America.....			27 Apr 2007 s
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).....			10 Oct 2018 a
Viet Nam.....			10 Apr 2014 a

Declarations and Reservations

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

BRAZIL

“For the purpose of this Article, illegal logging means an activity, or a series of activities, considered a contravention to the national law of a producer country and therefore must be addressed exclusively within the exercise of the law enforcement prerogative of that State.”

CHINA

In accordance with the provisions of Article 138 of the Basic Law of the Macao Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China and Article 153 of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China, the Government of the People’s Republic of China decides that the Agreement shall apply to the Macao Special Administrative Region

of the People’s Republic of China, and unless otherwise notified by the Government, shall not apply to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China.

COLOMBIA

The Colombian Government, in line with the provisions of the Political Constitution and its obligations under international human rights law, declares that, the right to prior consultation shall be fully respected when,

in the course of implementation of the Agreement, any decisions concerning legislative or administrative measures, actions, plans, programmes, projects or other tasks pursued in the framework of the International Tropical Timber Organization that could directly affect one or more indigenous or Afro-Colombian communities are adopted.

EUROPEAN UNION

“In accordance with Article 36 (3) of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006, this declaration indicates the powers transferred to the European Community by its Member States in the matters governed by the Agreement.

The European Community declares that, in accordance with the Treaty establishing the European Community:

- with respect to the trade matters covered by the Agreement, the European Community has exclusive competence under the common commercial policy, and
- the European Community shares powers with its Member States in environmental matters and in development cooperation.

The scope and the exercise of the European Community powers are, by their nature, subject to continuous development, and the European Community will complete or amend this declaration, if necessary, in accordance with Article 36 (3) of the Agreement.”

Notes:

¹ On 2 March 2009, the Government of Canada initially signed the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006. On 19 November 2009, the Government of Canada ratified the Agreement. On 14 January 2013, the Government of Canada notified the Secretary-General that it decided to withdraw from the Agreement, 2006 with effect on 14 April 2013. On 22 November 2023, the Government of Canada re-acceded to the Agreement.

² On 18 November 2009, upon its definitive signature to the Agreement, the Government of Denmark informed the

Secretary-General that "the signature does not apply to the Faroe Islands and Greenland."

³ *In its notification of provisional application, the European Community notified the Secretary-General that:*

"... the Community will provisionally apply the International Tropical Timber Agreement 2006, from the date on which it enters into force."

⁴ For the Kingdom in Europe.

⁵ In a communication received on 13 October 2008, the Government of New Zealand informed the Secretary-General of the following:

“... consistent with the constitutional status of Tokelau and taking into account the commitment of the Government of New Zealand to the development of self-government for Tokelau through an act of self-determination under the Charter of the United Nations, this ratification shall not extend to Tokelau unless and until a Declaration to this effect is lodged by the Government of New Zealand with the Depositary on the basis of appropriate consultation with that territory.”

⁶ *In its notification of provisional application the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland notified the Secretary-General of the following:*

“... that the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland will provisionally apply the Agreement in accordance with its laws and regulations with effect from its entry into force.

