## 2. AGREEMENT GOVERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF STATES ON THE MOON AND **OTHER CELESTIAL BODIES**

### New York, 5 December 1979

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 11 July 1984, in accordance with article 19(3).

**REGISTRATION:** 11 July 1984, No. 23002. Signatories: 11. Parties: 17. **STATUS:** 

United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1363, p. 3; and depositary notification C.N.107.1981.TREATIES-2 of 27 May 1981 [procès-verbal of rectification of the English authentic text of article 5 (1)]. **TEXT:** 

*Note:* The Agreement was adopted by resolution 34/68 of the General Assembly of the United Nations dated 5 December 1979. It was opened for signature on 18 December 1979.

Participant	Signature		Ratification, Accession(a)		Participant	Signature		Ratification, Accession(a)	
Armenia	•••		19 Jan	2018 a	Morocco	25 Jul	1980	21 Jan	1993
Australia			7 Jul	1986 a	Netherlands (Kingdom				
Austria	21 May 1	980	11 Jun	1984	of the) <sup>2</sup>	27 Jan	1981	17 Feb	1983
Belgium			29 Jun	2004 a	4 a Pakistan			27 Feb	1986 a
Chile	3 Jan 1	980	12 Nov	1981	Peru	23 Jun	1981	23 Nov	2005
France	29 Jan 1	980			Philippines	23 Apr	1980	26 May	1981
Guatemala	20 Nov 1	980			Romania	17 Apr	1980		
India	18 Jan 1	982			Saudi Arabia <sup>3</sup>	•••		[18 Jul	2012 a]
Kazakhstan	•••		11 Jan	2001 a	Türkiye	•••		29 Feb	2012 a
Kuwait	•••		28 Apr	2014 a	Uruguay	1 Jun	1981	9 Nov	1981
Lebanon Mexico			12 Apr	2006 a	Venezuela (Bolivarian			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
		11 Oct	1991 a	Republic of)			3 Nov	2016 a	

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

### FRANCE

France is of the view that the provisions of article 3, paragraph 2, of the Agreement relating to the use or threat of force cannot be construed as anything other than a reaffirmation, for the purposes of the field of endeavour

covered by the Agreement, of the principle of the prohibition of the threat or use of force, which States are obliged to observe in their international relations, as set forth in the United Nations Charter.

#### Notes:

- Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtyfourth Session, Supplement No. 46 (A/34/46), p. 77.
- For the Kingdom in Europe and the Netherlands Antilles. See also note 1 under "Netherlands" regarding Netherlands Antilles in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.
- <sup>3</sup> On 5 January 2023, the Government of Saudi Arabia notified the Secretary-General of its decision to withdraw from the Agreement with effect from 5 January 2024 in accordance with article 20 of the Agreement.