

**4. TAMPERE CONVENTION ON THE PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATION
RESOURCES FOR DISASTER MITIGATION AND RELIEF OPERATIONS**

Tampere, 18 June 1998

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 8 January 2005, in accordance with article 12 which reads as follows: "1. This Convention shall be open for signature by all States which are members of the United Nations or of the International Telecommunication Union at the Intergovernmental Conference on Emergency Telecommunications in Tampere on 18 June 1998, and thereafter at the headquarters of the United Nations, New York, from 22 June 1998 to 21 June 2003. 2. A State may express its consent to be bound by this Convention: a) by signature (definitive signature); b) by signature subject to ratification, acceptance or approval followed by deposit of an instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval; or c) by deposit of an instrument of accession. 3. The Convention shall enter into force thirty (30) days after the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession or definitive signature of thirty (30) States. 4. For each State which signs definitively or deposits an instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, after the requirement set out in paragraph 3 of this Article has been fulfilled, this Convention shall enter into force thirty (30) days after the date of the definitive signature or consent to be bound."

REGISTRATION: 8 January 2005, No. 40906.

STATUS: Signatories: 60. Parties: 49.

TEXT: United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2296, p. 5; Depository notifications C.N.608.1998.TREATIES-8 of 4 December 1998; and C.N.782.1999.TREATIES-13 of 28 September 1999 (rectification of the Convention and transmission of relevant procès-verbal).

Note: The Convention was opened for signature at Tampere by all States Members of the United Nations or of the International Telecommunication Union on 18 June 1998, and thereafter at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 22 June 1998 where it will remain open until 21 June 2003, in accordance with its article 12.

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Definitive signature(s), Ratification, Acceptance(A), Approval(AA), Accession(a)</i>	<i>Participant</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Definitive signature(s), Ratification, Acceptance(A), Approval(AA), Accession(a)</i>
Albania.....		3 Sep 2014 a	Czech Republic.....	4 Sep 2002	17 Jun 2003
Argentina.....	11 May 1999	5 Jul 2007	Denmark ¹	18 Jun 1998	2 Jun 2003
Armenia.....		25 Mar 2008 a	Dominica.....		26 Dec 2000 a
Barbados.....		25 Jul 2003 a	El Salvador.....	9 Aug 2000	18 Apr 2002
Belgium.....		2 Jul 2010 a	Estonia.....	25 May 1999	
Benin.....	18 Jun 1998		Finland.....	18 Jun 1998	1 Apr 1999 A
Brazil.....	12 Mar 1999		France.....		6 Aug 2009 a
Bulgaria.....	22 Sep 1999	20 Jun 2000	Gabon.....	27 Apr 2001	
Burundi.....	18 Jun 1998	23 Jan 2013	Germany.....	18 Jun 1998	
Cabo Verde.....		22 Mar 2018 a	Ghana.....	18 Jun 1998	
Canada.....	15 Jun 1999	18 May 2001	Guinea.....		8 Oct 2002 a
Chad.....	20 Oct 1999		Haiti.....	11 Feb 1999	
Chile.....	18 Jun 1998		Honduras.....	25 Feb 1999	
Colombia.....		12 Jun 2008 a	Hungary.....	20 Jun 2003	7 Apr 2004
Congo.....	18 Jun 1998		Iceland.....	20 Jun 2003	13 May 2011
Costa Rica.....	20 Jun 2003		India.....	29 Nov 1999	29 Nov 1999
Cyprus.....	18 Jun 1998	14 Jul 2000	Ireland.....		16 Aug 2007 a

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Italy	18 Jun 1998		Romania.....	18 Jun 1998	17 Nov 2005
Kenya.....	18 Jun 1998	12 Feb 2003	Russian Federation	14 Mar 2002	
Kuwait	18 Jun 1998	13 Jun 2002	Senegal.....	20 Nov 1998	
Lebanon	17 Nov 1998	27 Jan 2006	Slovakia	16 Feb 2000	6 Feb 2001
Liberia.....		16 Sep 2005 a	Spain		27 Feb 2006 a
Liechtenstein.....		8 Jun 2004 a	Sri Lanka.....	5 Aug 1999	13 Oct 1999
Lithuania.....		9 Dec 2004 a	St. Lucia.....	31 Jan 2000	
Luxembourg.....		8 Jun 2012 a	St. Vincent and the Grenadines		14 Aug 2003 a
Madagascar.....	12 Sep 2002		Sudan	4 Dec 1998	
Mali.....	18 Jun 1998		Sweden.....	10 Jun 2003	13 Sep 2004
Malta.....	18 Jun 1998		Switzerland	18 Jun 1998	24 Apr 2002
Marshall Islands.....	11 Nov 1998		Tajikistan	18 Jun 1998	
Mauritania.....	18 Jun 1998		The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.....	3 Dec 1998	
Mongolia.....	18 Jun 1998		Tonga		8 May 2003 a
Montenegro.....		21 Jul 2010 a	Uganda.....	28 Oct 1998	5 Sep 2002
Morocco.....	1 Dec 1998	11 Mar 2003	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....		18 Jun 2003 s
Nepal.....	23 Apr 1999		United States of America.....	17 Nov 1998	
Netherlands ²	19 Dec 2000	6 Jul 2001 A	Uruguay	13 May 2003	19 Apr 2012
Nicaragua.....	18 Jun 1998	18 Nov 1999	Uzbekistan	6 Oct 1998	
Niger	18 Jun 1998		Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	3 Apr 2003	13 May 2005
Oman	19 Aug 1999	16 Apr 2003			
Pakistan.....		30 Jan 2009 a			
Panama.....	20 Sep 2001	5 Mar 2003			
Peru.....	14 Jan 1999	27 Oct 2003			
Poland	18 Jun 1998				
Portugal.....	18 Jun 1998				

Declarations and Reservations

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

COLOMBIA

The Government of the Republic of Colombia formulates a reservation to paragraph 3 of article 11, by means of which Colombia does not consider itself bound by either of both of the dispute settlement procedures provided for in paragraph 3 of article 11.

DENMARK

"In connexion with Denmark's ratification of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunications Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations ("the Convention") Denmark declares that to the extent to which certain provisions of the Convention fall within the area of responsibility of the European Community, the full implementation of the

Convention by Denmark has to be done in accordance with the procedures of this international Organisation."

IRELAND

"Whereas to the extent to which certain provisions of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunications Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations ("the Convention") fall within the responsibility of the European Community, the full implementation of the Convention by Ireland has to be done in accordance with the procedures of this international organisation."

LUXEMBOURG

To the extent to which certain provisions of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of

Telecommunications Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations fall within the area of responsibility of the European Community, the full implementation of the Convention by Luxembourg has to be done in accordance with the procedures of this international organisation.

MONTENEGRO

"In accordance with Article 14 of the Tampere Convention on the Provisions of Telecommunications Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations, adopted at Tampere, 18 June 1998, the Government of Montenegro declares that this Convention shall not apply to:

To the extent to which certain provisions of the Tampere Convention on the Provisions of Telecommunications Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations ("the Convention") fall within the area of responsibility of the European Community, the full implementation of the Convention by Montenegro has to be done in accordance with the procedures of this international organization."

SPAIN

To the extent to which certain provisions of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations fall within the area of responsibility of the European Community, Spain cannot implement those decisions unless the European Community becomes a party to the Convention.

SWEDEN

"To the extent to which certain provisions of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunications Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations fall within the area of responsibility

of the European Community, the full implementation of the Convention by Sweden has to be done in accordance with the procedures of this international organisation."

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

"To the extent to which certain provisions of the Tampere Convention on the Provisions of Telecommunications Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations ("the Convention") fall within the area of responsibility of the European Community, the full implementation of the Convention by the United Kingdom has to be done in accordance with the procedures of this international organisation."

VENEZUELA (BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF)

Under the provisions of article 11, paragraph 6, of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations (ICET-98), the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela makes a specific reservation to paragraph 3 of that article. It therefore does not consider itself bound by arbitration as a means of dispute settlement, nor does it recognize the binding jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice.

Under the provisions of article 14, paragraph 1, of the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela makes a specific reservation to paragraphs 3 and 4 of article 11. Therefore, it does not consider itself bound by arbitration as a means of dispute settlement, nor does it recognize the binding jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice.

Notes:

¹ In a communication received on 22 July 2003, the Government of Denmark informed the Secretary-General that "... Denmark's ratifications normally include the entire Kingdom of Denmark including the Faroe Islands and Greenland. Consequently, no Territorial Application applies in connection with the above-mentioned ratification."

² For the Kingdom in Europe and the Netherlands Antilles. On 17 July 2001, in respect of Aruba.

