

3. a) Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal

Geneva, 22 September 1995

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 5 December 2019, in accordance with article 17(5) of the Convention which reads as follows: "Instruments of ratification, approval, formal confirmation or acceptance of amendments shall be deposited with the Depositary. Amendments adopted in accordance with paragraphs 3 or 4 [of article 17 of the Convention] shall enter into force between Parties having accepted them on the ninetieth day after the receipt by the Depositary of their instrument of ratification, approval, formal confirmation or acceptance by at least three-fourths of the Parties who accepted them or by at least two thirds of the Parties to the protocol concerned who accepted them, except as may otherwise be provided in such protocol. The amendments shall enter into force for any other Party on the ninetieth day after that Party deposits its instrument of ratification, approval, formal confirmation or acceptance of the amendments".

STATUS: Parties: 97.

TEXT: [Doc. UNEP/CHW.3/35.](#)

Note: By decision III/1, of 22 September 1995, the Third meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties to the above Convention, which took place in Geneva from 18 to 22 September 1995, adopted an Amendment to the Convention (including the adoption of Annex VII).

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Ratification, Acceptance(A), Approval(AA), Succession(d)</i>	<i>Participant</i>	<i>Ratification, Acceptance(A), Approval(AA), Succession(d)</i>
Albania.....	27 Oct 2005 A	Egypt.....	27 Jan 2004
Algeria	3 Jul 2017	El Salvador	7 Dec 2015
Andorra.....	23 Jul 1999 A	Estonia	2 Aug 2001
Antigua and Barbuda	23 Sep 2016	Ethiopia.....	8 Oct 2003
Argentina	19 Sep 2011	European Union.....	30 Sep 1997 AA
Austria	17 Oct 1999 A	Finland.....	5 Sep 1996 A
Bahrain.....	25 Jul 2005	France	18 Nov 2003 AA
Belgium	20 Jun 2003	Gambia.....	7 Mar 2001
Benin.....	22 Jan 2014	Germany	24 May 2002 A
Bolivia (Plurinational State of).....	31 Mar 2005	Ghana.....	9 Jun 2005
Botswana	17 Jun 2004 A	Greece.....	12 Jul 2010
Brunei Darussalam	16 Dec 2002 A	Guatemala.....	26 Dec 2013
Bulgaria	15 Feb 2000	Guinea.....	6 Feb 2017
Chile.....	12 Aug 2009 A	Hungary	25 May 2004 AA
China.....	1 May 2001	Iceland	4 Apr 2018
Colombia	10 Jun 2014	Indonesia.....	24 Oct 2005
Congo.....	2 Sep 2014	Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	12 Jan 2016
Cook Islands	29 Jun 2004	Ireland.....	13 Nov 2009
Côte d'Ivoire	24 Sep 2013	Italy.....	3 Mar 2009
Croatia	6 Sep 2019	Jamaica	29 Sep 2015
Cyprus.....	7 Jul 2000 A	Jordan.....	6 Dec 2004 AA
Czech Republic.....	28 Feb 2000 A	Kenya.....	9 Sep 2009 A
Denmark ¹	10 Sep 1997 AA	Kuwait	12 May 2006
Ecuador.....	6 Mar 1998	Latvia.....	18 Dec 2003 A

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Lebanon	13 Oct 2017 A	Portugal.....	30 Oct 2000
Lesotho	22 Feb 2012 A	Qatar	28 Feb 2002
Liberia.....	16 Sep 2005 A	Republic of Moldova.....	18 Nov 2008 A
Liechtenstein.....	20 May 2003 A	Romania.....	17 Jul 2002 A
Lithuania.....	7 Nov 2003 A	Saudi Arabia	10 Jan 2013
Luxembourg.....	14 Aug 1997	Serbia.....	22 Nov 2002 A
Malawi.....	1 Aug 2017	Seychelles	15 Jul 2015 A
Malaysia.....	26 Oct 2001	Slovakia	11 Sep 1998 A
Maldives	19 Jun 2017	Slovenia	1 Dec 2004
Malta.....	12 Dec 2011 A	South Africa.....	24 Jun 2016
Mauritius.....	9 Nov 2004	Spain ^{3,4}	7 Aug 1997 A
Monaco	20 Mar 2013 AA	Sri Lanka.....	29 Jan 1999
Montenegro ²	23 Oct 2006 d	St. Kitts and Nevis.....	29 Aug 2019
Morocco.....	10 Sep 2004 AA	St. Lucia.....	22 Jan 2002
Namibia	31 Aug 2018 A	Sweden.....	10 Sep 1997 A
Netherlands.....	22 Jan 2001 A	Switzerland.....	7 Nov 2002 A
Niger	5 Nov 2015 AA	Syrian Arab Republic	5 Oct 2004
Nigeria	24 May 2004	Trinidad and Tobago	12 Jan 2000
North Macedonia.....	18 Nov 2004	Tunisia	26 Oct 1999
Norway	16 Jul 1997 A	Turkey.....	27 Aug 2003
Oman	17 May 2004	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ^{3,5,6}	13 Oct 1997
Panama.....	7 Oct 1998	United Republic of Tanzania.....	26 Aug 2002
Paraguay	28 Aug 1998	Uruguay	10 Mar 1999
Peru.....	30 Mar 2015 A	Zambia.....	27 Jul 2011
Poland.....	29 Jan 2003 A		

Declarations

(Unless otherwise indicated, the declarations were made upon formal confirmation, ratification, acceptance, approval, accession or succession.)

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... that the accession of the Syrian Arab Republic to the Amendment and the Protocol shall not under any circumstances whatsoever signify recognition of Israel,

nor shall it lead to entry therewith into any dealings that may be governed by the provisions of the said amendment and Protocol.

Notes:

¹ With a reservation for the application to the Faroe Islands and Greenland.

Subsequently, on 15 April 1998, the Government of Denmark informed the Secretary-General of the following: "...the reservation for the application of the Amendment to Greenland is hereby lifted."

² See note 1 under "Montenegro" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

³ On 11 April 2013, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland informed the Secretary-General that:

"... the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland wishes the United Kingdom's ratification of the Convention as amended be extended to the territory of Gibraltar for whose international relations the United Kingdom is responsible.

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland considers the extension of the aforesaid Convention as amended to Gibraltar to take effect on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of this notification ..."

⁴ On 1 November 2013, the Secretary-General received from the Government of Spain the following communication with regard to the Territorial Application by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to Gibraltar:

1. Gibraltar is a Non-Self-Governing Territory for whose international relations the Government of the United Kingdom is responsible and which is subject to a process of decolonization in accordance with the relevant decisions and resolutions of the General Assembly.

2. The Gibraltarian authorities are local in character, and exercise competences exclusively over internal affairs that originate in and are based on the powers allocated to and conferred on them by the United Kingdom, in accordance with its domestic legislation and in its capacity as the sovereign State upon which depends the said Non-Self-Governing Territory.

3. Consequently, any involvement by the Gibraltarian authorities in the implementation of this Convention shall be understood to take place exclusively within the framework of the internal affairs of Gibraltar and shall not be considered to affect in any way the content of the two preceding paragraphs.

4. The procedure envisaged in the Arrangements relating to Gibraltar authorities in the context of Mixed Agreements, which was agreed by Spain and the United Kingdom on 19 December 2007 (together with "Agreed Arrangements relating to Gibraltar authorities in the context of European Union and European Community Instruments and Related Treaties" of 19 April 2000) applies to the present Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (Basel, 22 March 1989) and to the Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (Geneva, 22 September 1995).

5. The implementation of the present Convention and the Amendment thereto in Gibraltar cannot be interpreted as recognition of any rights or situations involving matters not included in Article 10 of the Treaty of Utrecht of 13 July 1713, signed by the crowns of Spain and Great Britain.

⁵ On behalf of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the British Antarctic Territory.

Further, on 12 December 2001, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland informed the Secretary-General that "the amendment shall extend to the Isle of Man for whose international relations the Government of the United Kingdom is responsible".

On 27 November 2002: on behalf of the Bailiwick of Guernsey.

On 6 September 2006: on behalf of Akrotiri and Dhekelia.

⁶ On 14 September 2007, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland informed the Secretary-General that it "wishes the United Kingdom's

Ratification of the Amendment ... to be extended to Jersey for whose international relations the United Kingdom is responsible.

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland considers the extension of the Amendment to the Convention ... to Jersey to take effect from the date of deposit of this notification ,"

