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".

REGISTRATION: 5 December 2019, No. 28911.

STATUS: Parties: 104.

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).

Participant	*Ratification, Acceptance(A), Approval(AA), Succession(d)*	*Participant*	*Ratification, Acceptance(A), Approval(AA), Succession(d)*
Albania	27 Oct 2005 A	Czech Republic	28 Feb 2000 A
Algeria	3 Jul 2017	Denmark[1]	10 Sep 1997 AA
Andorra	23 Jul 1999 A	Dominican Republic	18 Mar 2024 AA
Antigua and Barbuda	23 Sep 2016	Ecuador	6 Mar 1998
Argentina	19 Sep 2011	Egypt	27 Jan 2004
Austria	17 Oct 1999 A	El Salvador	7 Dec 2015
Bahrain	25 Jul 2005	Estonia	2 Aug 2001
Belgium	20 Jun 2003	Ethiopia	8 Oct 2003
Benin	22 Jan 2014	European Union	30 Sep 1997 AA
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	31 Mar 2005	Finland	5 Sep 1996 A
Botswana	17 Jun 2004 A	France	18 Nov 2003 AA
Brazil	22 Mar 2023 A	Gambia	7 Mar 2001
Brunei Darussalam	16 Dec 2002 A	Germany	24 May 2002 A
Bulgaria	15 Feb 2000	Ghana	9 Jun 2005
Chile	12 Aug 2009 A	Greece	12 Jul 2010
China	1 May 2001	Guatemala	26 Dec 2013
Colombia	10 Jun 2014	Guinea	6 Feb 2017
Congo	2 Sep 2014	Hungary	25 May 2004 AA
Cook Islands	29 Jun 2004	Iceland	4 Apr 2018
Costa Rica	21 Nov 2019	Indonesia	24 Oct 2005
Côte d'Ivoire	24 Sep 2013	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	12 Jan 2016
Croatia	6 Sep 2019	Ireland	13 Nov 2009
Cyprus	7 Jul 2000 A	Italy	3 Mar 2009

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Jamaica	29 Sep	2015	Paraguay	28 Aug	1998
Jordan	6 Dec	2004 AA	Peru	30 Mar	2015 A
Kenya	9 Sep	2009 A	Poland	29 Jan	2003 A
Kuwait	12 May	2006	Portugal	30 Oct	2000
Latvia	18 Dec	2003 A	Qatar	28 Feb	2002
Lebanon	13 Oct	2017 A	Republic of Moldova	18 Nov	2008 A
Lesotho	22 Feb	2012 A	Romania	17 Jul	2002 A
Liberia	16 Sep	2005 A	Saudi Arabia	10 Jan	2013
Liechtenstein	20 May	2003 A	Serbia	22 Nov	2002 A
Lithuania	7 Nov	2003 A	Seychelles	15 Jul	2015 A
Luxembourg	14 Aug	1997	Sierra Leone	15 Jun	2020
Malawi	1 Aug	2017	Slovakia	11 Sep	1998 A
Malaysia	26 Oct	2001	Slovenia	1 Dec	2004
Maldives	19 Jun	2017	South Africa	24 Jun	2016
Malta	12 Dec	2011 A	Spain[3,4]	7 Aug	1997 A
Mauritius	9 Nov	2004	Sri Lanka	29 Jan	1999
Mexico	12 May	2022 A	St. Kitts and Nevis	29 Aug	2019
Monaco	20 Mar	2013 AA	St. Lucia	22 Jan	2002
Montenegro[2]	23 Oct	2006 d	Sweden	10 Sep	1997 A
Morocco	10 Sep	2004 AA	Switzerland	7 Nov	2002 A
Namibia	31 Aug	2018 A	Syrian Arab Republic	5 Oct	2004
Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	22 Jan	2001 A	Thailand	9 Mar	2023 A
Nicaragua	13 Jan	2021	Trinidad and Tobago	12 Jan	2000
Niger	5 Nov	2015 AA	Tunisia	26 Oct	1999
Nigeria	24 May	2004	Türkiye	27 Aug	2003
North Macedonia	18 Nov	2004	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland[3,5,6]	13 Oct	1997
Norway	16 Jul	1997 A	United Republic of Tanzania	26 Aug	2002
Oman	17 May	2004	Uruguay	10 Mar	1999
Panama	7 Oct	1998	Zambia	27 Jul	2011

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 , ..."