

5. a) Protocol on Water and Health to the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes

London, 17 June 1999

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 4 August 2005, in accordance with article 23 which reads as follows: "1. This Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the sixteenth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession. 2. For the purposes of paragraph 1 of this article, any instrument deposited by a regional economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by States members of such an organization. 3. For each State or organization referred to in article 21 which ratifies, accepts or approves this Protocol or accedes thereto after the deposit of the sixteenth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit by such State or organization of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession."

REGISTRATION: 4 August 2005, No. 33207.

STATUS: Signatories: 36. Parties: 30.¹

TEXT: United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2331, p. 202; ECOSOC doc. [MP.WAT/AC.1/1999/1](#) of 24 March 1999.

Note: The Protocol was adopted on 17 June 1999 on the occasion of the Third Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health held at London from 16 to 18 June 1999. The Protocol will be opened for signature in London on 17 June 1999 and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until 18 June 2000 by States members of the Economic Commission for Europe, by States members of the Regional Committee for Europe of the World Health Organization, by States having consultative status with the Economic Commission for Europe pursuant to paragraph 8 of Economic and Social Council resolution [36 \(IV\)](#) of 28 March 1947, and by regional economic integration organizations constituted by sovereign States members of the Economic Commission for Europe or members of the Regional Committee for Europe of the World Health Organization to which their member States have transferred competence over matters governed by this Protocol, including the competence to enter into treaties in respect of these matters in accordance with its article 21.

<i>Participant</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Ratification, Accession(a), Acceptance(A), Approval(AA)</i>	<i>Participant</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Ratification, Accession(a), Acceptance(A), Approval(AA)</i>
Albania.....	17 Jun 1999	8 Mar 2002	Hungary	17 Jun 1999	7 Dec 2001 AA
Armenia	17 Jun 1999		Iceland	17 Jun 1999	
Azerbaijan.....		9 Jan 2003 a	Italy.....	17 Jun 1999	
Belarus		22 Apr 2009 a	Kazakhstan.....		5 Jan 2026 a
Belgium	17 Jun 1999	29 Jun 2004	Latvia.....	17 Jun 1999	24 Nov 2004
Bosnia and Herzegovina.....		13 Oct 2011 a	Lithuania.....	17 Jun 1999	17 Mar 2004
Bulgaria	17 Jun 1999		Luxembourg.....	17 Jun 1999	4 Oct 2001
Croatia	17 Jun 1999	28 Jul 2006	Malta.....	17 Jun 1999	
Cyprus.....	17 Jun 1999		Monaco	17 Jun 1999	
Czech Republic.....	17 Jun 1999	15 Nov 2001	Montenegro.....		22 Nov 2019 a
Denmark	17 Jun 1999		Netherlands (Kingdom of the).....	17 Jun 1999	25 Jun 2009 A
Estonia	17 Jun 1999	9 Sep 2003	North Macedonia		28 Sep 2023 a
Finland	17 Jun 1999	3 Mar 2005 A	Norway	17 Jun 1999	6 Jan 2004
France	17 Jun 1999	6 May 2005 AA	Poland	17 Jun 1999	
Georgia	17 Jun 1999		Portugal.....	17 Jun 1999	6 Sep 2006 AA
Germany	17 Jun 1999	15 Jan 2007	Republic of Moldova.....	10 Mar 2000	16 Sep 2005
Greece.....	17 Jun 1999		Romania.....	17 Jun 1999	5 Jan 2001

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Russian Federation	17 Jun 1999	31 Dec 1999 A	Switzerland	17 Jun 1999	27 Oct 2006
Serbia		16 Apr 2013 a	Ukraine	17 Jun 1999	26 Sep 2003
Slovakia	17 Jun 1999	2 Oct 2001	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	17 Jun 1999	
Slovenia	17 Jun 1999		Uzbekistan		26 Dec 2023 a
Spain	17 Jun 1999	24 Sep 2009			
Sweden.....	17 Jun 1999				

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

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The French, Flemish and German-speaking Communities and the Regions of Wallonia, Flanders and Brussels-Capital are also bound by this signature.

Notes:

¹ For the purpose of entry into force of the [Convention/Protocol] , any instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession deposited by a regional

economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by member States of that Organization.