

No. 14531. INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS. ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON 16 DECEMBER 1966<sup>1</sup>

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RATIFICATION

*Instrument deposited on:*

21 June 1979

JAPAN

(With effect from 21 September 1979.)

Confirming the reservations and declaration made upon signature.

"1. In applying the provisions of paragraph (d) of Article 7 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Japan reserves the right not to be bound by "remuneration for public holidays" referred to in the said provisions.

2. Japan reserves the right not to be bound by the provisions of sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph 1 of Article 8 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, except in relation to the sectors in which the right referred to in the said provisions is accorded in accordance with the laws and regulations of Japan at the time of ratification of the Covenant by the Government of Japan.

3. In applying the provisions of sub-paragraphs (b) and (c) of paragraph 2 of Article 13 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Japan reserves the right not to be bound by "in particular by the progressive introduction of free education" referred to in the said provisions.

4. Recalling the position taken by the Government of Japan, when ratifying the Convention (No. 87) concerning Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise,<sup>2</sup> that "the police" referred to in Article 9 of the said Convention be interpreted to include the fire service of Japan, the Government of Japan declares that "members... of the police" referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 8 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights as well as in paragraph 2 of Article 22 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights<sup>3</sup> be interpreted to include fire service personnel of Japan."

*Registered ex officio on 21 June 1979.*

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 993, p. 3, and annex A in volumes 994, 1007, 1008, 1026, 1031, 1035, 1037, 1038, 1039, 1065, 1066, 1075, 1088, 1098, 1103, 1106, 1120, 1132 and 1136.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. 68, p. 17.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. 999, p. 171.