No. 9432. CONVENTION ON THE SERVICE ABROAD OF JUDICIAL AND EXTRA-JUDICIAL DOCUMENTS IN CIVIL OR COMMERCIAL MATTERS. OPENED FOR SIGNATURE AT THE HAGUE ON 15 NOVEMBER 1965¹

DECLARATION under article 21

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GERMANY

- "1. Notwithstanding the provisions of the first paragraph of Article 15, a German judge may give judgement even if no certificate of service or delivery has been received, if all the following conditions are fulfilled:
- The document was transmitted by one of the methods provided for in this Convention,
- A period of time of not less than six months, considered adequate by the judge in the particular case, has elapsed since the date of the transmission of the document,
- No certificate of any kind has been received, even though every reasonable effort has been made to obtain it through the competent authorities of the State addressed.
- 2. An application for relief in accordance with Article 16 will not be entertained if it is filed after the expiration of one year following the termination of the time-limit which has not been observed.".

Certified statement was registered by the Netherlands on 21 January 1993.

¹United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 658, p. 163; for subsequent actions, see references in Cumulative Indexes Nos. 10 to 16, and 18, as well as annex A in volumes 1102, 1136, 1157, 1194, 1240, 1248, 1261, 1276, 1279, 1286, 1312, 1318, 1330, 1352, 1357, 1401, 1434, 1477, 1529, 1541, 1562 and 1658.