

No. 2545. CONVENTION RELATING TO THE STATUS OF REFUGEES.
SIGNED AT GENEVA, ON 28 JULY 1951¹

EXTENSION of the Convention to the territories listed below for the conduct of whose international relations the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland are responsible

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UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

(To take effect on 23 January 1957.)

(a) British Solomon Islands Protectorate, Cyprus, Dominica, Falkland Islands, Fiji, Gambia, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Grenada, Jamaica, Kenya, Mauritius, St. Vincent, Seychelles and the Somaliland Protectorate subject to the following reservations made under the terms of article 42, paragraph 1, of the Convention :

(i) The Government of the United Kingdom understand articles 8 and 9 as not preventing the taking by the above-mentioned territories, in time of war or other grave and exceptional circumstances, of measures in the interests of national security in the case of a refugee on the ground of his nationality. The provisions of article 8 shall not prevent the Government of the United Kingdom from exercising any rights over property or interests which they may acquire or have acquired as an Allied or Associated Power under a Treaty of Peace or other agreement or arrangement for the restoration of peace which has been or may be completed as a result of the Second World War. Furthermore, the provisions of article 8 shall not affect the treatment to be accorded to any property or interests which, at the date of entry into force of the Convention for the above-mentioned territories, are under the control of the Government of the United Kingdom by reason of a state of war which exists or existed between them and any other State.

(ii) The Government of the United Kingdom accept paragraph 2 of Article 17 in its application to the above-mentioned territories with the substitution of "four years" for "three years" in sub-paragraph (a) and with the omission of sub-paragraph (c).

(iii) The Government of the United Kingdom can only undertake that the provisions of sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 1 of article 24 and of paragraph 2 of that article will be applied to the above-mentioned territories so far as the law allows.

(iv) The Government of the United Kingdom cannot undertake that effect will be given in the above-mentioned territories to paragraphs 1 and 2 of article 25 and can only undertake that the provisions of paragraph 3 will be applied in the above-mentioned territories so far as the law allows.

(b) Zanzibar and St. Helena with the reservations (i), (iii) and (iv) listed above only.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 189, p. 137; Vol. 190, p. 385; Vol. 191, p. 409; Vol. 199, p. 357; Vol. 200, p. 336; Vol. 201, p. 387; Vol. 202, p. 368; Vol. 214, p. 376; Vol. 223, p. 375; Vol. 230, p. 440, and Vol. 237.