

No. 9464. INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION. OPENED FOR SIGNATURE AT NEW YORK ON 7 MARCH 1966¹

ACCESSION

Instrument deposited on :

28 July 1971

FRANCE

(To take effect on 27 August 1971.)

With the following declaration :

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

With regard to article 4, France wishes to make it clear that it interprets the reference made therein to the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and to the rights set forth in article 5 of the Convention² as releasing the States Parties from the obligation to enact anti-discrimination legislation which is incompatible with the freedoms of opinion and expression and of peaceful assembly and association guaranteed by those texts.

With regard to article 6, France declares that the question of remedy through tribunals is, as far as France is concerned, governed by the rules of ordinary law.

With regard to article 15, France's accession to the Convention may not be interpreted as implying any change in its position regarding the resolution mentioned in that provision.³

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 660, p. 195; for subsequent actions, see annex A in volumes 667, 669, 670, 672, 676, 677, 681, 685, 703, 728, 735, 737, 741, 751, 752, 759, 763, 771, 774, 778 and 786.

² *Ibid.*, vol 660, p. 195.

³ In a communication received subsequently, the Government of France indicated that the first paragraph of the above declaration did not purport to limit the obligations under the Convention in respect of the French Government, but only to record the latter's interpretation of article 4 of the Convention.