

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

RATIFICATION

Instrument deposited with the Government of the Netherlands on:

28 February 1972

TURKEY

(To take effect on 28 April 1972.)

With the following declaration:

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

In accordance with the first paragraph of article 2 of the Convention, the General Directorate of Civil Affairs of the Ministry of Justice (Adalet Bakanligi Hukuk Isleri Genel Müdürlüğü, Ankara) is designated as the Central Authority.

2. The General Directorate of Civil Affairs of the Ministry of Justice is also competent to draw up certificates pursuant to article 6 of the Convention.

3. The General Directorate of Civil Affairs is also designated as the authority competent to receive documents forwarded through the channels provided for in the first paragraph of article 9 of the Convention.

4. In accordance with article 8 of the Convention, the Government of the Republic of Turkey acknowledges the freedom of diplomatic or consular agents to serve judicial documents upon their own nationals only.

5. The Government of the Republic of Turkey declares that it is opposed to the use of the methods of serving judicial documents listed in article 10 of the Convention.

6. The Government of the Republic of Turkey declares that, notwithstanding the provisions of the first paragraph of article 15, its judges may give judgement if the conditions laid down in the second paragraph of that article are fulfilled.

7. In accordance with the third paragraph of article 16, the Government of the Republic of Turkey declares that the applications referred to in the second paragraph of article 16 will not be entertained if they are filed after the expiration of a period of one year following the date of the judgement.

Certified statement was registered by the Netherlands on 21 April 1972.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 658, p. 163, and annex A in volumes 700, 737 and 759.