

UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION

No. 8844. CONSTITUTION OF THE UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION, SIGNED
AT VIENNA ON 10 JULY 1964¹

RATIFICATION

Instrument deposited with the Government of Switzerland on:

20 July 1972

BOLIVIA

Certified statement was registered by Switzerland on 5 September 1972.

OBJECTION to the ratification by the Republic of China² in respect of the Additional Protocol³ to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union and of the General Regulations⁴ of the Universal Postal Union, both done at Tokyo on 14 November 1969

Notification addressed to the Government of Switzerland on:

9 May 1972

NETHERLANDS

[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

Since the Kingdom of the Netherlands recognizes the Government of the People's Republic of China as the only legitimate Government of China, the Royal Government cannot attribute any value to the above-mentioned ratification.

RATIFICATIONS and APPROVALS (A) in respect of the Additional Protocol³ to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union and of the General Regulations⁴ of the Universal Postal Union, both done at Tokyo on 14 November 1969

Instruments deposited with the Government of Switzerland on:

26 May 1972

KUWAIT

31 May 1972

GREECE

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 611, p. 7; for subsequent actions, see references in Cumulative Indexes Nos. 9 and 10, as well as annex A in volumes 723, 732, 740, 753, 786, 810, 817, 820 and 826

² *Ibid.*, vol. 820, p. 508.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. 810, p. 7.

⁴ *Ibid.*, p. 25.

30 June 1972 A*

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (including the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man)

30 June 1972 A*

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND on behalf of : Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Brunei, Bahama Islands, Bermuda, British Antarctic Territory, British Honduras, British Indian Ocean Territory, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands (Malvinas) and Dependencies, Gibraltar, Hong Kong, Montserrat, Pitcairn Group, St. Helena and Dependencies, Seychelles, Southern Rhodesia, Turks and Caicos Islands, Western Pacific High Commission Territories (including: British Solomon Islands Protectorate, Central and Southern Line Islands, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, and New Hebrides)

Certified statement was registered by Switzerland on 19 August 1972.

OBJECTION to a declaration made upon accession by Democratic Yemen¹ in respect of the Additional Protocol² to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union and of the General Regulations² of the Universal Postal Union, both done at Tokyo on 14 November 1969

Notification addressed to the Government of Switzerland on:

17 July 1972

ISRAEL

“ In the view of the Government of Israel, this political declaration is incompatible with the basic provisions of the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union, which creates ‘ a single postal territory for the reciprocal exchange of letter post items. Freedom of transit is guaranteed throughout the entire territory of the Union ’ (article I(1)). It should be noted that article 19 of the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties specifically excludes the formulation of reservations which are ‘ incompatible with the object and purpose of the treaty ’. The Government of Israel therefore regards the above-mentioned declaration as devoid of legal validity and incapable of affecting the obligations assumed by the People’s Democratic Republic of Yemen, when adhering to the Acts of the Postal Union. ”

RATIFICATIONS in respect of the Additional Protocol² to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union and of the General Regulations³ of the Universal Postal Union, both done at Tokyo on 14 November 1969

Instruments deposited with the Government of Switzerland on:

20 July 1972

BOLIVIA

* Ratification of the Additional Protocol and approval of the General Regulations.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 810, pp. 24 and 50, and addendum to vol. 810 (p. 402 of this volume).

² *Ibid.*, vol. 810, p. 7.

³ *Ibid.*, p. 25.

21 July 1972

FINLAND

Certified statement was registered by Switzerland on 5 September 1972.

ADDENDUM to volume 810 of the United Nations *Treaty Series* :

On pages 24 and 50 of volume 810 of the United Nations *Treaty Series*, after “ People’s Democratic Republic of Yemen ”, add the following paragraph :

(With the following declaration : “ However, our signatures on the afore-said documents of Universal Postal Union will not in any way be valid in the case of Israel as we do not recognise that country. ”)
