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| Acceptance— Barbados | 20 Dec., 1978 | |
| Protocol amending Article 50 (a) of the Convention on International Civil Aviation signed at Chicago on 7 December, 1944 | New York, 12 Mar., 1971 | 62/1973 Cmnd. 5310 |
| Ratification— Korea (North) | 27 June, 1978 | |
| Protocol amending Article 56 on the Convention on International Civil Aviation signed at Chicago on 7 December, 1944 | Vienna, 7 July, 1971 | 98/1975 Cmnd. 6117 |
| Ratifications— Congo, People's Republic of the Korea (North) Tanzania | 13 Nov., 1978 27 June, 1978 15 June, 1978 | |
| Convention, supplementary to the Warsaw Convention, for the Unification of Certain Rules relating to International Carriage by Air performed by a Person other than the Contracting Carrier | Guadalajara, Mexico, 18 Sept., 1961 | 23/1964 Cmnd. 2354 |
| Accession— Mauritania | 29 Mar., 1979 | |
| Convention on Offences and certain other Acts Committed on Board Aircraft | Tokyo, 14 Sept., 1963 | 126/1969 Cmnd. 4230 |
| Ratification— Congo, People's Republic of the | 13 Nov., 1978 | |
| Accessions— Botswana China, People's Republic of (with reservation and statement)* The Gambia Nepal Seychelles | 16 Jan., 1979 14 Nov., 1978 4 Jan., 1979 15 Jan., 1979 4 Jan., 1979 | |
| * The People's Republic of China made a reservation in respect of Article 24 (1) of the Convention and declared that the Chinese Government considered "illegal and null and void the signature and ratification by the Chiang clique usurping the name of China in regard to the above-mentioned Convention." | | |
| Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft | The Hague, 16 Dec., 1970 | 39/1972 Cmnd. 4956 |
| Ratification in London— Kuwait (with understanding)* | 29 May, 1979 | |

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| Accession in London— Ethiopia (with reservation in respect of Article 12 (1)) | 9 Apr., 1979 | |
| * On depositing their instrument of ratification in London the Government of Kuwait stated that "ratification of the Convention . . . does not mean in any way recognition of Israel by the State of Kuwait. Furthermore, no treaty relations will arise between the State of Kuwait and Israel." | | |
| Accessions in Moscow— Ethiopia (with reservation in respect of Article 12 (1)) | 20 Apr., 1979 | |
| Nepal | 22 Feb., 1979 | |
| Ratification in Washington— The Gambia | 28 Nov., 1978 | |
| Accessions in Washington— Botswana | 28 Dec., 1978 | |
| Mauritania | 1 Nov., 1978 | |
| Nepal | 19 Jan., 1979 | |
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| Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation | Montreal, 23 Sept., 1971 | 10/1974 Cmd. 5524 |
| Accession in London— Ethiopia (with reservation in respect of Article 14 (1)) | 9 Apr., 1979 | |
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| Ratification of Convention— | | |
| Benin | 27 Apr., 1979 | |
| Accession to Convention— | | |
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| European Cultural Convention | Paris, 19 Dec., 1954 | 49/1955 Cmd. 9545 |
| Ratification— | | |
| Liechtenstein | 13 June, 1979 | |
| CUSTOMS— | | |
| Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials (with Protocol) ... | Lake Success, New York, 22 Nov., 1950 | 42/1954 Cmd. 9185 |
| Acceptance— | | |
| Hungary (with declaration)* | 15 Mar., 1979 | |
| * The instrument of acceptance of the Government of Hungary contains the following declaration: [<i>Translation</i>] The Hungarian People's Republic calls attention to the fact that Articles XIII and XIV of the Agreement are at variance with Resolution 1514 on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations at its XVth session on 14 December, 1960. | | |

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| Convention establishing a Customs Co-operation Council (with Annex) | Brussels, 15 Dec., 1950 | 50/1954 Cmd. 9232 |
| Accession— United Arab Emirates | 7 Feb., 1979 | |
| Protocol concerning the European Customs Union Study Group | Brussels, 15 Dec., 1950 | 51/1954 Cmd. 9231 |
| Accession— United Arab Emirates | 7 Feb., 1979 | |
| Convention on the Nomenclature for the Classification of Goods in Customs Tariffs, with Protocol of Amendment of 1 July, 1955 (for further amendments see Treaty Series No. 49 (1965), Cmnd. 2681; Treaty Series No. 83 (1965), Cmnd. 2786; Treaty Series No. 11 (1972), Cmnd. 4870 and Treaty Series No. 27 (1978), Cmnd. 7120) | Brussels, 15 Dec., 1950 | 29/1960 Cmd. 1070 |
| Accession— Malaysia | 30 Mar., 1979 | |
| DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS— | | |
| <i>See also CONSULAR RELATIONS</i> | | |
| Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations | Vienna, 18 Apr., 1961 | 19/1965 Cmd. 2565 |
| Accessions— Ethiopia | 22 Mar., 1979 | |
| Seychelles | 29 May, 1979 | |
| Optional Protocol concerning the Compulsory Settlement of Disputes | Vienna, 18 Mar., 1961 | 19/1965 Cmd. 2565 |
| Accession— Seychelles | 29 May, 1979 | |
| Note— | | |
| The Secretary-General of the United Nations received from the Government of <i>Syria</i> on 15 March, 1979 the following communication relating to the deposit of their instrument of accession to the above Convention on 4 August, 1978 (see Treaty Series No. 104 (1978), Cmnd. 7432, page 6): | | |
| [<i>Translation</i>] | | |
| The Syrian Arab Republic, which declared its accession to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations by virtue of Act No. 10 dated 23 March 1977, and the instrument of ratification dated 27 July 1977, requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations to circulate the following reservations to the representatives of States Members of the Organization: | | |
| 1. The Syrian Arab Republic does not recognize Israel and will not enter into dealings with it. | | |
| 2. The Optional Protocol Concerning the Compulsory Settlement of Disputes does not enter into force for the Syrian Arab Republic. | | |

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| 3. The exemption provided for in Article 36, paragraph 1, shall not apply to the administrative and technical staff of the mission except during the first six months following their arrival in the receiving State. | | |
| DISARMAMENT— | | |
| Protocol concerning the Prohibition of the Use in War of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or other Gases and of Bacteriological Methods of Warfare | Geneva, 17 June, 1925 | 24/1930 Cmd. 3604 |
| Accession— Bhutan | 19 Feb., 1979 (effective date) | |
| Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America, with Additional Protocols I and II . . . | Mexico City, 14 Feb., 1967 | 54/1970 Cmnd. 4409 |
| Signature of Additional Protocol I— France (with reservations and declarations)* . . . | 2 Mar., 1979 | |
| * At the time of signature of Additional Protocol I the Government of France made the following reservations and interpretative declarations: | | |
| <p>“ Le Gouvernement français, en raison de ce que les territoires français situés dans la zone du traité sur l'interdiction des armes nucléaires en Amérique Latine sont une partie intégrante de la République française, ne peut signer le protocole additionnel No. 1 de ce traité qu'en tant que responsable de jure de ces territoires. Il attend des Gouvernements signataires de ce traité, réunis au sein de l'Organisme pour l'interdiction des armes nucléaires en Amérique Latine, qu'ils prennent acte de ce que sa participation à ce protocole ne s'effectue qu'en cette qualité.</p> <p>“ Le Gouvernement français, en signant le protocole additionnel No. 1 du traité sur l'interdiction des armes nucléaires en Amérique Latine et sous réserve, pour son entrée en vigueur à l'égard de la France, de l'accomplissement des procédures constitutionnelles requises, exprime les réserves et fait les déclarations interprétatives qui suivent:</p> <p>“ 1) Aucune disposition de ce protocole ou des articles du traité auquel il renvoie ne saurait porter atteinte au plein exercice du droit de légitime défense confirmé par l'article 51 de la Charte des Nations-Unies.</p> <p>2) Conformément à l'article 4 paragraphe 1 du traité, la zone d'application des engagements résultant du traité est constituée par l'ensemble des territoires définis à l'article 3 du traité, étant entendu que la législation à laquelle il est fait référence dans cet article 3 doit être conforme au droit international. Pour le Gouvernement français, toute zone plus étendue et notamment celle visée à l'article 4 paragraphe 2 du traité ne pourrait être considérée comme établie conformément au droit international et en conséquence il ne pourrait accepter que le traité s'y applique.</p> | | |

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3) Le Gouvernement français n'accepte pas que les obligations résultant du protocole No. 1, qui renvoie aux articles premier et 13 du traité, s'appliquent au transit, par des territoires de la République française situés dans la zone du traité et à destination d'autres territoires de la République française, de dispositifs définis à l'article 5 du traité.

4) Le Gouvernement français, en souscrivant du fait de son acceptation de l'article premier du protocole No. 1 aux obligations définies à l'article premier du traité, considère que ces obligations s'appliquent exclusivement aux activités énumérées à cet article qui se déroulent sur les territoires français au titre desquels est signé le protocole No. 1. Il ne saurait accepter que ces obligations puissent s'interpréter comme limitant en aucune façon la participation des populations de ces territoires à de telles activités se déroulant en dehors de la zone et à l'effort de défense nationale de la République française.

5) Les dispositions des articles 1er et 2 du protocole s'appliquent au texte du traité tel qu'il existe au moment de la signature du protocole par le Gouvernement français. En conséquence, aucun amendement à ce traité, qui serait entré en vigueur conformément à l'article 29 de ce dernier, ne sera opposable au Gouvernement français sans le consentement exprès de ce dernier."

[Unofficial translation]

By reason of the fact that the French territories situated in the zone of application of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America are an integral part of the French Republic, the French Government can only sign Additional Protocol I to this Treaty in so far as it is responsible *de jure* for these territories. It expects the signatory Governments of this Treaty, meeting within the Organisation for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America, to take note of the fact that its participation in this Protocol can only be in such capacity.

When signing Additional Protocol I to the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and subject to the completion of the requisite constitutional procedures for its entry into force in respect of France, the French Government makes the following reservations and interpretative declarations:

(1) No provision of this Protocol or the articles of the Treaty to which it refers may affect the full exercise of the right of legitimate self-defence confirmed by Article 51 of the United Nations Charter.

(2) In accordance with Article 4, paragraph 1, of the Treaty, the zone of application of the commitments deriving from the Treaty comprises the whole of the territory defined in Article 3 thereof, it being understood that the legislation referred to in Article 3 must comply with international law. In the case of the French Government, any more extensive zone and especially that

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| referred to in Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Treaty could not be deemed to have been established in conformity with international law and consequently it could not agree that the Treaty would apply thereto. | | |
| (3) The French Government does not agree that the obligations deriving from Protocol I, which refer to Articles 1 and 13 of the Treaty, apply to the transit of devices defined in Article 5 through territories of the French Republic situated in the zone of application of the Treaty to other territories of the French Republic. | | |
| (4) When assuming the obligations defined in Article 1 of the Treaty by reason of its acceptance of Article 1 of Protocol I, the French Government considers that these obligations apply exclusively to the activities listed in that Article which are carried out on French territories and on account of which Protocol I has been signed. It is unable to agree that these obligations might be construed as restricting in any way the participation of the peoples of those territories in such activities, which are carried on outside the zone of application, and in the national defence effort of the French Republic. | | |
| (5) The provisions of Articles 1 and 2 of the Protocol apply to the text of the Treaty as at the time of signature of the Protocol by the French Government. Consequently, any amendment to this Treaty which comes into force in accordance with Article 29 thereof may not be invoked against the French Government without its formal consent. | | |
| Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons | London, Moscow and Washington, 1 July, 1968 | 88/1970 Cmnd. 4474 |
| Ratification in Moscow— | | |
| Sri Lanka | 5 Mar., 1979 | |
| Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons on their Destruction | London, Moscow and Washington, 10 Apr., 1972 | 11/1976 Cmnd. 6397 |
| Ratification in London— | | |
| Spain | 20 June, 1979 | |
| Ratification in Moscow— | | |
| Belgium | 15 Mar., 1979 | |
| Ratification in Washington— | | |
| Spain | 20 June, 1979 | |
| Convention on the Prohibition of Military or any other Hostile Use of Environmental Modification Techniques | Geneva, 18 May, 1977 | 24/1979 Cmnd. 7469 |
| Accession— | | |
| Yemen, People's Democratic Republic of ... | 12 June, 1979 | |

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| Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards | New York, 10 June- 31 Dec., 1958 | 20/1976 Cmnd. 6419 |
| Accession— San Marino | 17 May, 1979 | |
| Convention on the Settlement of Investment Disputes between States and Nationals of Other States ... | Washington, 18 Mar., 1965 | 25/1967 Cmnd. 3255 |
| Signatures— | | |
| Comoros | 26 Sept., 1978 | |
| Kuwait | 9 Feb., 1978 | |
| Papua New Guinea | 20 Oct., 1978 | |
| Philippines | 26 Sept., 1978 | |
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| Accession to Protocol— Portugal | 20 Apr., 1979 | |
| ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT— | | |
| Agreement establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development | New York, 20 Dec., 1976 | 41/1978 Cmnd. 7195 |
| Accessions— | | |
| Jordan | 15 Feb., 1979 | |
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| <i>Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora</i> | Washington, 3 Mar., 1973 | 101/1976 Cmnd. 6647 |
| Accession— Sri Lanka | 4 May, 1979 | |
| FINANCE— | | |
| <i>See</i> DISPUTES INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND | | |
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| <i>International Cocoa Agreement, 1975</i> | New York, 10 Nov., 1975– 31 Aug., 1976 | 43/1979 Cmnd. 7544 |
| Ratification— Venezuela | 15 Feb., 1979 | |
| Accession— Colombia | 16 Mar., 1979 | |
| <i>Notification of provisional application under Article 71 (5)—</i> St. Lucia | 18 Apr., 1979 | |
| <i>Notification under Article 71 (4)—</i> St. Lucia | 14 May, 1979* | |
| * St. Lucia became a Contracting Party from this date. | | |
| <i>International Coffee Agreement, 1976</i> | New York, 31 Jan.– 31 July, 1976 | 12/1978 Cmnd. 7079 |
| <i>Notifications under Article 68 (2)—</i> Australia | 22 Mar., 1979 | |
| Guatemala | 19 Mar., 1979 | |
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| <i>Convention on the Elaboration of a European Pharmacopoeia</i> | Strasbourg, 22 July, 1964 | 32/1974 Cmnd. 5763 |
| Accession— Ireland, Republic of | 16 May, 1979 | |

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| Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (as amended by Protocol No. 3 (Treaty Series No. 106 (1970), Cmnd. 4552) and Protocol No. 5 (Treaty Series No. 48 (1972), Cmnd. 4963) | Rome, 4 Nov., 1950 | 71/1953 Cmnd. 8969 |
| Signature (subject to ratification)— Spain | 24 Nov., 1977 | |
| Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade and Institutions and Practices similar to Slavery, supplementary to the International Convention signed at Geneva on 25 September, 1926 ... | Geneva, 7 Sept., 1956 | 59/1957 Cmnd. 257 |
| Accession— Jibuti | 21 Mar., 1979 | |
| Convention against Discrimination in Education ... | Paris, 15 Dec., 1960 | 44/1962 Cmnd. 1760 |
| Acceptance— Ecuador | 5 Mar., 1979 | |
| International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination | New York, 7 Mar., 1966 | 77/1969 Cmnd. 4108 |
| Accession— Bangladesh | 11 June, 1979 | |
| International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights | New York, 19 Dec., 1966 | 6/1977 Cmnd. 6702 |
| Ratification— Morocco | 3 May, 1979 | |
| International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights ... | New York, 19 Dec., 1966 | 6/1977 Cmnd. 6702 |
| Ratification— Morocco | 3 May, 1979 | |
| Accession— The Gambia (with reservation)* | 22 Mar., 1979 | |
| * The Gambia's instrument of accession contains the following reservation: " . . . for financial reasons free legal assistance for accused persons is limited in our constitution to persons charged with capital offences only. The Government of the Gambia therefore wishes to enter a reservation in respect of Article 14 (3) (d) of the Covenant in question." | | |
| INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY— | | |
| International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations | Rome, 26 Oct., 1961 | 38/1964 Cmnd. 2425 |
| Accession— El Salvador | 29 Mar., 1979 | |

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| Patent Co-operation Treaty (PCT) (with Regulations) | Washington, 19 June— 31 Dec., 1970 | 78/1978 Cmnd. 7340 |
| Ratifications— | | |
| Netherlands (including Netherlands Antilles) (with statement)* | 10 Apr., 1979 | |
| Romania (with reservation and declaration)† | 23 Apr., 1979 | |
| * The instrument of ratification of the Government of the Netherlands was accompanied by the following statement: | | |
| [<i>Translation</i>] | | |
| 1. The Kingdom of the Netherlands is a party to the Convention on the Grant of European Patents concluded at Munich on October 5, 1973 (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention") [Treaty Series No. 20 (1978), Cmnd. 7090]. Under Article 45 of the Patent Co-operation Treaty (hereinafter referred to as "the Treaty"), an international application in which the Kingdom of the Netherlands is designated or elected may also therefore be filed with a view to the grant of a European patent. In its national law, the Kingdom has not availed itself of the possibility provided for in Article 45 (2) of the Treaty. | | |
| 2. The following remark should be made in this connection. The national patent law in force in the Kingdom applies to the whole of the Kingdom, that is to say, to the Netherlands and to the Netherlands Antilles, and patents granted on the basis of an international application in which the Kingdom is designated and in which the applicant has not indicated, under Article 4 (1) (ii) of the Treaty, his wish to obtain a European patent have legal consequences throughout the Kingdom. | | |
| 3. However, under Article 168, the Convention does not apply to the Netherlands Antilles and therefore applies solely to the Netherlands. Consequently, patents granted under the Convention, including European patents granted on the basis of an international application in which the Kingdom is designated and in which the applicant has indicated, under Article 4 (1) (ii) of the Treaty, his wish to obtain a European patent, have legal consequences in the Netherlands only and not in the Netherlands Antilles. | | |
| † The instrument of ratification of the Government of Romania contains the following reservation: | | |
| [<i>Translation</i>] | | |
| The Socialist Republic of Romania declares in accordance with Article 64 (5) that it does not consider itself bound by Article 59 of the Patent Co-operation Treaty. | | |
| The Socialist Republic of Romania considers that disputes concerning the interpretation or application of the Treaty or the Regulations may only be brought before the International Court of Justice with the consent of all parties to the litigation, for each individual case. | | |

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| INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (continued)— | | |
| Romania's instrument of ratification was accompanied by the following declaration: [Translation] | | |
| The Socialist Republic of Romania considers that the maintenance in a state of dependency of certain territories, to which the provisions of Article 62 (3) and (4) of the Patent Co-operation Treaty refer, does not comply with the Charter of the United Nations nor with the documents adopted by the United Nations as regards the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples, including the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, unanimously adopted by United Nations General Assembly Resolution No. 2625 (XXV) of October 24, 1970, which solemnly proclaims the duty of States to promote realization of the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples in order to bring a speedy end to colonialism. | | |
| Strasbourg Agreement concerning the International Patent Classification | Strasbourg, 24 Mar.— 30 Sept., 1971 | 113/1975 Cmnd. 6238 |
| Ratification— Italy (with reservation)* | 30 Mar., 1980 (effective date) | |
| * At the time of ratification Italy declared that it intends to avail itself of the reservation provided for in Article 4 (4) (ii) of the Agreement. | | |
| Universal Copyright Convention, as revised (with Protocols 1 and 2) | Paris, 24 July, 1971 | 9/1975 Cmnd. 5944 |
| Ratification— Denmark (Convention and Protocols 1 and 2) ... | 11 Apr., 1979 | |
| INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION— | | |
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| Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization | Geneva, 6 Mar., 1948 | 54/1958 Cmnd. 589 |
| Acceptance— Yemen Arab Republic | 14 Mar., 1979 | |
| INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION— | | |
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| Constitution of the International Labour Organisation (as amended) (see also Treaty Series No. 59 (1961), Cmnd. 1428; Treaty Series No. 9 (1964), Cmnd. 2259 and Treaty Series No. 110 (1975), Cmnd. 6207) ... | Montreal, 9 Oct., 1946 | 47/1948 Cmnd. 7452 |
| Acceptance— Cape Verde | 3 Apr., 1979 | |

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| INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND— | | |
| Articles of Agreement of the International Monetary Fund (for amendments <i>see</i> Treaty Series No. 44 (1978), Cmnd. 7205 and Treaty Series No. 83 (1978), Cmnd. 7331) | Washington, 27 Dec., 1945 | 21/1946 Cmnd. 6885 |
| Signature and acceptance— Jibuti | 29 Dec., 1978 | |
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| ITALY— | | |
| Consular Convention between the United Kingdom and Italy (with Protocols of Signature and Exchange of Notes) | Rome, 1 June, 1954 | 51/1960 Cmnd. 1135 |
| Note— In accordance with the Second Protocol of Signature, the <i>Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Italy</i> gave notice to each other on 19 March and 21 April, 1979, respectively, that the provisions of Article 29 (2) of the Convention would come into operation on 21 May, 1979, <i>i.e.</i> 30 days after the receipt of Italy's notification. | | |
| LABOUR (ILO)— | | |
| <i>See also</i> INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION | | |
| International Labour Convention No. 141. Rural Workers' Organisations Convention, 1975 | Geneva, 23 June, 1975 | 16/1978 Cmnd. 7083 |
| Note— By a declaration registered with the International Labour Office on 26 March, 1979, the Government of the <i>United Kingdom</i> stated that Convention No. 141 would be applied without modification to the <i>Falkland Islands</i> . | | |
| International Labour Convention No. 142. Human Resources Development Convention, 1975 | Geneva, 23 June, 1975 | 17/1978 Cmnd. 7086 |
| Note— By a declaration registered with the International Labour Office on 29 March, 1979, the Government of the <i>United Kingdom</i> stated that a decision is reserved in respect of the application of Convention No. 142 to the <i>Falkland Islands</i> . | | |
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| Protocol to amend the International Convention for the Unification of certain Rules of Law relating to Bills of Lading signed at Brussels on 25 August 1924 | Brussels, 23 Feb., 1968 | 83/1977 Cmnd. 6944 |
| Signature— Netherlands | 5 Feb., 1979 | |
| METROLOGY— | | |
| Convention establishing an International Organisation of Legal Metrology (as later amended) | Paris, 12 Oct.– 31 Dec., 1955 | 36/1968 Cmnd. 3617 |
| Accession— Republic of Ireland | 5 Mar., 1979 | |
| NATIONALITY— | | |
| Convention on the Nationality of Married Women | New York, 20 Feb., 1957 | 59/1958 Cmnd. 601 |
| Accession— Mexico | 4 Apr., 1979 | |
| NUCLEAR WEAPONS— | | |
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| <i>See</i> POLLUTION | | |
| PATENTS— | | |
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| PLANTS— | | |
| International Plant Protection Convention | Rome, 6 Dec., 1951 | 16/1954 Cmnd. 9077 |
| Accession— Solomon Islands | 18 Oct., 1978 | |

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| International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants | Paris, 2 Dec., 1961– 2 Dec., 1962 | 74/1969 Cmnd. 4081 |
| Note— | | |
| In a communication received by the Swiss Federal Political Department on 12 April, 1979 the Government of <i>Belgium</i> stated that in accordance with Article 33 (2) of the above Convention Belgium had decided | | |
| (1) to apply the provisions of Article 4 of the Convention to the list of genera and species set out below; | | |
| (2) to apply, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9, § 2 and 3 of the law of 20 May 1975 on the protection of new varieties of plants, the stipulations of Article 4 (4) of the Convention to genera and species in this list which do not figure in the list envisaged in Article 4 (3) of the Convention. (Belgium deposited an instrument of ratification of the Convention on 5 November 1976—see Treaty Series No. 113 (1976), Cmnd. 6747, page 13.) | | |
| <i>Genera and species to be protected by Belgium</i> | | |
| * <i>Avena byzantina</i> K. Koch. | Avoine d'Algérie | |
| † <i>Avena nuda</i> L. | Avoine nue | |
| * <i>Avena sativa</i> L. | Avoine | |
| † <i>Brassica oleracea</i> L. convar. <i>acephala</i> (D.C.) Alef var. <i>medullosa</i> Thell. | Chou moëllier | |
| † <i>Brassica oleracea</i> L. convar. <i>acephala</i> (D.C.) Alef var. <i>viridis</i> L. | Chou fourrager | |
| † <i>Brassica oleracea</i> L. convar. <i>botrytis</i> (L.) | Chou fleur | |
| † <i>Brassica oleracea</i> L. convar. <i>oleracea</i> var. <i>gemmifera</i> D.C. | Chou de Bruxelles | |
| † <i>Brassica rapa</i> L. emend. Metzg. var. <i>rapa</i> | Navet | |
| † <i>Cydonia</i> Mill. | Cognassier | |
| * <i>Dianthus caryophyllus</i> L. | Oeillet | |
| † <i>Festuca pratensis</i> Huds. | Fétuque des prés | |
| † <i>Festuca rubra</i> L. | Fétuque rouge | |
| † <i>Fragaria</i> L. | Fraisier | |
| * <i>Hordeum vulgare</i> L. | Orge | |
| † <i>Humulus lupulus</i> L. | Houblon | |
| * <i>Lactuca sativa</i> L. | Laitue | |
| † <i>Lycopersicon lycopersicum</i> L. | Tomate | |
| † <i>Linum usitatissimum</i> L. | Lin | |
| * <i>Lolium multiflorum</i> Lam. | Ray-grass d'Italie Ray-grass de Westerworld | |
| * <i>Lolium perenne</i> L. | Ray-grass anglais Hybrides des ray-grass anglais, d'Italie et de Westerworld | |
| * <i>Malus</i> Mill. | Pommier | |
| * <i>Phaseolus coccineus</i> L. | Haricot d'Espagne | |
| * <i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i> L. | Haricot | |
| † <i>Phleum bertolonii</i> D.C. | Fléole diploïde | |
| † <i>Phleum pratense</i> L. | Fléole des prés | |
| * <i>Pisum sativum</i> L. sensu lato | Pois | |
| † <i>Poa pratensis</i> L. | Pâturin des prés | |
| † <i>Poa trivialis</i> L. | Pâturin commun | |

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| † <i>Populus</i> L. | Peuplier | |
| † <i>Prunus</i> L. | Cerisier, prunier, abricotier myro- bolan, pêcher | |
| † <i>Pyrus</i> L. | Poirier | |
| † <i>Rhododendron</i> L. | Azalée, Rhododendron | |
| † <i>Ribes</i> L. | Cassis, groseilliers blanc et rouge, gro- seillier à maquereau et hybrides de ces espèces | |
| * <i>Rosa</i> L. | Rosier | |
| † <i>Rubus</i> subg. <i>Eubatus</i> Focke. | Ronce | |
| † <i>Scorsonera hispanica</i> L. | Scorsonère | |
| † <i>Secale cereale</i> L. | Seigle | |
| * <i>Solanum tuberosum</i> L. | Pomme de terre | |
| * <i>Triticum aestivum</i> L. ssp. <i>vulgare</i> (Vill. Host) MacKay. | Blé tendre | |
| * <i>Triticum durum</i> Desf. | Blé dur | |
| † <i>Triticum spelta</i> L. | Epeautre | |
| * <i>Trifolium pratense</i> L. | Trèfle violet | |
| † <i>Trifolium repens</i> L. | Trèfle blanc | |
| † <i>Vicia faba</i> L. var. <i>major</i> Harz. | Fève | |
| † <i>Vicia faba</i> L. var. <i>minor</i> Harz. | Féverole | |
| * Genera and species which are obligatory and which figure in the list provided for in Article 4 (3) of the Convention of Paris for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of 2 December, 1961. | | |
| † Genera and species provided for in Article 4 (4) of the said Convention. | | |
| POLLUTION— | | |
| International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954, as amended in 1962 and 1969 (see Treaty Series No. 59 (1967), Cmnd. 3354 and Treaty Series No. 21 (1978), Cmnd. 7094) | London, 12 May, 1954 | 56/1958 Cmnd. 595 |
| Acceptance— Yemen Arab Republic | 6 Mar., 1979 | |
| International Convention relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Oil Pollution Casualties ... | Brussels, 29 Nov., 1969– 31 Dec., 1970 | 77/1975 Cmnd. 6056 |
| Accession— Yemen Arab Republic | 6 Mar., 1979 | |
| International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage | Brussels, 29 Nov., 1969– 31 Dec., 1970 | 106/1975 Cmnd. 6183 |
| Ratification— Italy (with statement)* | 27 Feb., 1979 | |

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| Accessions— | | |
| Korea, Republic of | 18 Dec., 1978 | |
| Yemen Arab Republic | 6 Mar., 1979 | |
| * The instrument of ratification of the Government of Italy was accompanied by the following statement: | | |
| [Translation] | | |
| The Italian Government wishes to state that it has taken note of the reservation put forward by the Government of the Soviet Union (on the occasion of the deposit of the instrument of accession on 24 June, 1975) to Article XI (2) of the International Convention on civil liability for oil pollution damage, adopted in Brussels on 29 November, 1969 (see Treaty Series No. 161 (1975), Cmnd. 6369, page 18). | | |
| The Italian Government declares that it cannot accept the aforementioned reservation and, with regard to the matter, observes that, under international law, the States have no right to jurisdictional immunity in cases where vessels of theirs are utilized for commercial purposes. | | |
| The Italian Government therefore considers its juridical bodies competent—as foreseen by Article IX and XI (2) of the Convention—in actions for the recovery of losses incurred in cases involving vessels belonging to States employing them for commercial purposes, as indeed in cases where, on the basis of Article I (3), it is a company, running vessels on behalf of a State, that is considered the owner of the vessel. | | |
| The reservation and its non-acceptance by the Italian Government do not, however, preclude the coming into force of the Convention between the Soviet Union and Italy, and its full implementation, including that of Article XI (2). | | |
| Notes— | | |
| In a communication dated 2 February, 1979, the Secretary-General of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization stated that in accordance with notifications received from the Government of <i>Solomon Islands</i> , which attained independence on 7 July, 1978, and from the Government of <i>Tuvalu</i> , which attained independence on 1 October, 1978, the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage on 29 November, 1969, applies provisionally in respect of the relations of Solomon Islands and of Tuvalu with any Party to the Convention which expressly so agrees or by reason of its conduct is to be considered as having so agreed. (The Convention was applied to Solomon Islands and Tuvalu before the attainment of independence.) | | |
| In a communication to the Secretary-General of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization dated 13 February, 1979, the Government of <i>Denmark</i> referred to the declaration in respect of Article XI (2) made by the <i>German Democratic Republic</i> on depositing an instrument of accession to the above Convention on 13 March, 1978 (see Treaty Series No. 104 (1978), Cmnd. 7432, page 18) and made the following statement: | | |
| “When depositing its instrument of accession the German Democratic Republic made a declaration to | | |

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the effect that it considered the provisions of Article XI, paragraph 2, of the Convention to be inconsistent with the principle of immunity of States.

" In this connection, the Government of Denmark wishes to recall its declaration of May 4, 1976 (*see* Treaty Series No. 86 (1976), Cmnd. 6621, page 22) relating to the deposit by the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics of its instrument of accession to the Convention. In its declaration the *Government of Denmark stated that a reservation relating to paragraph 2 of Article XI will have the effect that the contracting States will have no other obligations towards each other as regards the question of judicial immunity in respect of ships owned by the other State than those obligations ensuing from general principle of public international law. Denmark considers that these principles do not grant a State the right to immunity from the jurisdiction of the courts of another State in proceedings relating to commercial activities carried out by the former State. Danish legislation relating to immunity for State-owned ships is based on the International Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to Immunity for State-Owned Ships, done at Brussels on April 10, 1926. Under this legislation immunity cannot be granted in respect of ships used for commercial purposes.*

" The Government of Denmark wishes to state that the contents of its above-mentioned declaration also apply to the declaration of the Government of the German Democratic Republic referring to Article XI, paragraph 2, of the Convention."

In a communication to the Secretary-General of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization dated 17 January, 1979, the Government of Norway referred to the declaration in respect of Article XI (2) made by the *German Democratic Republic* on depositing an instrument of accession to the above Convention on 13 March, 1978 (*see* Treaty Series No. 104 (1978), Cmnd. 7432, page 18) and made the following statement:

" With reference to the . . . circular letter relating to the deposit by the Government of the German Democratic Republic of an instrument of accession to the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage done at Brussels on 29 November, 1969, and to the reservation of the German Democratic Republic against being bound by paragraph 2 of Article XI of the Convention, the Royal Norwegian Embassy has the honour to draw attention to the declaration of the Government of Norway set out in its letter of 29 April, 1976, concerning a similar reservation made by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics at the accession to the Convention (*see* Treaty Series No. 86 (1976), Cmnd. 6621, page 23).

" In conformity with the declaration of 1976 Norway would point out that in the event that this reservation is accepted, the consequence will be that Norway, instead of the provision in paragraph 2 of Article XI, will have to evaluate the question of the

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| <p>legal status of German Democratic Republic State ships in relation to Norwegian courts on the basis of the general principles of international law.</p> <p>"In the Norwegian view no State enjoys any immunity under the applicable rules of international law before the courts of another State with respect to state-operated commercial activities.</p> <p>"Under the Norwegian law implementing the International Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules relating to Immunity for State-Owned Ships, done at Brussels on 10 April, 1926, no immunity is recognized for state-owned commercial vessels."</p> | | |
| Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and other Matter | London, Mexico City, Moscow and Washington, 29 Dec., 1972— 31 Dec., 1973 | 43/1976 Cmnd. 6486 |
| Ratification in London— Finland | 3 May, 1979 | |
| Ratification in Mexico City— Finland | 3 May, 1979 | |
| POSTAL CONVENTIONS— | | |
| <i>See</i> UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION | | |
| PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW— | | |
| Statute of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (with the amendments adopted at the Nineteenth Session of the General Assembly on 18 February, 1969) | Rome, 15 Mar., 1940 | 78/1977 Cmnd. 6946 |
| Accession— Poland | 1 Jan., 1979 | |
| Convention abolishing the Requirement of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents | The Hague, 5 Oct., 1961 | 32/1965 Cmnd. 2617 |
| Ratification— Luxembourg (with declaration)* | 4 Apr., 1979 | |
| <p>* On depositing their instrument of ratification the Government of Luxembourg stated that the authority competent to issue the certificate referred to in Article 3 (1) of the Convention is the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Luxembourg (le Ministère des Affaires Étrangères du Luxembourg).</p> | | |
| Convention on the Liability of Hotel-keepers concerning the Property of their Guests | Paris, 17 Dec., 1962 | 9/1967 Cmnd. 3205 |
| Ratification— Italy | 11 May, 1979 | |

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| Convention on the Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters | The Hague, 15 Nov., 1965 | 50/1969 Cmnd. 3986 |
| Ratification— | | |
| Federal Republic of Germany (also applies to Berlin (West)) (with declarations)* | 27 Apr., 1979 | |
| * On depositing their instrument of ratification the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany made the following declarations: | | |
| " (1) Requests for service shall be addressed to the Central Authority of the Land where the request is to be complied with. The Central Authority pursuant to Article 2 and paragraph 3 of Article 18 of the Convention shall be for: | | |
| Baden- Württemberg | das Justizministerium Baden- Württemberg (The Ministry of Justice of Baden- Württemberg), | |
| Bavaria ... | D 7000 Stuttgart das Bayerische Staatsministerium der Justiz (The Bavarian State Ministry of Justice), | |
| Berlin ... | D 8000 München der Senator für Justiz (The Senator of Justice), | |
| Bremen ... | D 1000 Berlin der Präsident des Landgerichts Bremen (The President of the Regional Court of Bremen), | |
| Hamburg ... | D 2800 Bremen der Präsident des Amtsgerichts Hamburg (The President of the Local Court of Hamburg), | |
| Hesse ... | D 2000 Hamburg der Hessische Minister der Justiz (The Hessian Minister of Justice), | |
| Lower Saxony | D 6200 Wiesbaden der Niedersächsische Minister der Justiz (The Minister of Justice of Lower Saxony), | |
| Northrhine- Westphalia | D 3000 Hannover der Justizminister des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen (The Minister of Justice of the Land Northrhine- Westphalia), | |
| Rhineland- Palatinate | D 4000 Düsseldorf das Ministerium der Justiz (The Ministry of Justice), | |
| Saarland ... | D 6500 Mainz der Minister für Rechtspflege (The Minister of Justice), | |
| Schleswig- Holstein | D 6600 Saarbrücken der Justizminister des Landes Schleswig-Holstein (The Minister of Justice of the Land Schleswig-Holstein), | |
| | D 2300 Kiel | |

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| <p>The Central Authorities are empowered to have requests for service complied with directly by postal channels if the conditions for service in accordance with paragraph 1 (a) of Article 5 of the Convention have been fulfilled. In that case the competent Central Authority will hand over the document to the postal authorities for service. In all other cases the local court (Amtsgericht) in whose district the documents are to be served shall be competent to comply with requests for service. Service shall be effected by the registry of the local court. Formal service (paragraph 1 of Article 5 of the Convention) shall be permissible only if the document to be served is written in, or translated into, the German language.</p> | | |
| (2) The Central Authority shall complete the certificate (paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article 6 of the Convention) if it has itself arranged for the request for service to be complied with directly by postal channels; in all other cases this shall be done by the registry of the local court. | | |
| (3) The Central Authority of the Land where the documents are to be served and the authorities competent under Section 1 of the Act of 18th December, 1958 implementing the Convention on Civil Procedure, signed at The Hague on 1st March, 1954, to receive requests from consuls of foreign States, shall be competent to receive requests for service transmitted by a foreign consul within the Federal Republic of Germany (paragraph 1 of Article 9 of the Convention). Under that Act the president of the regional court (Landgericht) in whose district the documents are to be served shall be competent; in his place the president of the local court shall be competent if the request for service is to be complied with in the district of the local court which is subject to his administrative supervision. | | |
| (4) In accordance with paragraph 2 (a) of Article 21 of the Convention, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany objects to the use of methods of transmission pursuant to Articles 8 and 10. Service through diplomatic or consular agents (Article 8 of the Convention) is therefore only permissible if the document is to be served upon a national of the State sending the document. Service pursuant to Article 10 of the Convention shall not be effected." | | |
| European Convention on the Abolition of Legalisation * of Documents executed by Diplomatic Agents or Consular Officers | London, 7 June, 1968 | 96/1970 Cmnd. 4503 |
| Ratification— Luxembourg | 30 Mar., 1979 | |
| Convention on the Taking of Evidence abroad in Civil or Commercial Matters | The Hague, 18 Mar., 1970 | 20/1977 Cmnd. 6727 |
| Ratification— Federal Republic of Germany (also applies to Berlin (West)) (with declarations)* | 27 Apr., 1979 | |

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* On depositing their instrument of ratification the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany made the following declarations:

"A. The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany makes the following declarations in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 33 of the Convention of 18th March, 1970:

The Federal Republic of Germany makes the reservation provided for in the first sentence of paragraph 1 of Article 33 of the Convention excluding the application of the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 4 of the Convention. Letters of Request to be executed under Chapter I of the Convention must, in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 5 of Article 4 of the Convention, be in the German language or be accompanied by a translation into that language.

The Federal Republic of Germany declares in accordance with the option provided for in the first sentence of paragraph 1 of Article 33 of the Convention to make a reservation excluding the application of the provisions of Chapter II of the Convention that the taking of evidence by diplomatic officers or consular agents is not permissible in its territory if German nationals are involved.

B. The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany makes the following declarations pursuant to Article 35 of the Convention of 18th March, 1970:

(1) The authority competent to execute a Letter of Request shall be the local court (Amtsgericht) in whose district the official act is to be performed.

Letters of Request shall be addressed to the Central Authority of the Land in which the respective request is to be executed. The Central Authority pursuant to Article 2 and paragraph 2 of Article 24 of the Convention shall be for:

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| Baden- Württemberg | das Justizministerium Baden- Württemberg (The Ministry of Justice of Baden- Württemberg), D 7000 Stuttgart |
| Bavaria ... | das Bayerische Staatsminis- terium der Justiz (The Bavarian State Ministry of Justice), D 8000 München |
| Berlin ... | der Senator für Justiz (The Senator of Justice), D 1000 Berlin |
| Bremen ... | der Präsident des Landge- richts Bremen (The President of the Regional Court of Bremen), D 2800 Bremen |
| Hamburg ... | der Präsident des Amtsge- richts Hamburg (The Presi- dent of the Local Court of Hamburg), D 2000 Hamburg |

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| Hesse ... | der Hessische Minister der Justiz (The Hessian Minister of Justice), D 6200 Wiesbaden | |
| Lower Saxony | der Niedersächsische Minister der Justiz (The Minister of Justice of Lower Saxony), D 3000 Hannover | |
| Northrhine- Westphalia | der Justizminister des Landes Nordrhein - Westfalen (The Minister of Justice of the Land Northrhine-Westphalia), D 4000 Düsseldorf | |
| Rhineland- Palatinate | das Ministerium der Justiz (The Ministry of Justice), D 6500 Mainz | |
| Saarland ... | der Minister für Rechtspflege (The Minister of Justice), D 6600 Saarbrücken | |
| Schleswig- Holstein | der Justizminister des Landes Schleswig-Holstein (The Minister of Justice of the Land Schleswig-Holstein), D 2300 Kiel | |
| (2) | Pursuant to Article 8 of the Convention, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany declares that members of the requesting court of another Contracting State may be present at the execution of a Letter of Request by the local court if prior authorization has been given by the Central Authority of the Land where the request is to be executed. | |
| (3) | The taking of evidence by diplomatic officers or consular agents pursuant to paragraph 1 of Article 16 of the Convention which involves nationals of a third State or stateless persons shall be subject to permission from the Central Authority of the Land where the evidence is to be taken. Pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 16 of the Convention, permission shall not be required if the national of the third State is also a national of the State of the requesting court. | |
| (4) | A commissioner of the requesting court may not take evidence pursuant to Article 17 of the Convention unless the Central Authority of the Land where the evidence is to be taken has given its permission. Such permission may be made subject to conditions. The local court in whose district official acts would have to be performed by virtue of a Letter of Request in the same matter shall be entitled to control the preparation and the actual taking of the evidence. Under the second sentence of Article 19 of the Convention, a member of the court may be present at the taking of the evidence. | |
| (5) | The Federal Republic of Germany declares in pursuance of Article 23 of the Convention that it will not, in its territory, execute Letters of Request issued for the purpose of obtaining pre-trial discovery of documents as known in Common Law countries." | |

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| Convention on the Recognition of Divorces and Legal Separations | The Hague, 1 June, 1970 | 123/1975 Cmnd. 6248 |
| Signature— Egypt | 8 May, 1979 | |
| PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES— | | |
| General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe | Paris, 2 Sept., 1949 | 34/1953 Cmnd. 8852 |
| Accession— Liechtenstein | 16 May, 1979 | |
| Protocol to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe | Strasbourg, 6 Nov., 1952 | 17/1957 Cmnd. 84 |
| Accession— Liechtenstein | 16 May, 1979 | |
| Second Protocol to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe (Provisions in respect of the Members of the European Commission of Human Rights) | Paris, 15 Dec., 1956 | 50/1958 Cmnd. 579 |
| Signature— Liechtenstein (subject to ratification) | 16 May, 1979 | |
| Fourth Protocol to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe (Provisions concerning the European Court of Human Rights) | Paris, 16 Dec., 1961 | 58/1971 Cmnd. 4739 |
| Signature— Liechtenstein (subject to ratification) | 16 May, 1979 | |
| RACIAL DISCRIMINATION— | | |
| <i>See HUMAN RIGHTS</i> | | |
| RED CROSS— | | |
| Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War | Geneva, 12 Aug., 1949 | 39/1958 Cmnd. 550 |
| Note— | | |
| In a communication dated 13 October, 1978, and received by the Swiss Federal Political Department on 5 January, 1979, the Government of <i>Spain</i> notified the withdrawal of the reservation concerning paragraph 1 of Article 99 of the Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War, 1949, made by Spain on depositing an instrument of ratification to the Convention on 4 August, 1952. The reservation read as follows: | | |
| "Under ' International Law in Force ' (Article 99) Spain understands she only accepts that which arises from contractual sources or which has been previously elaborated by organizations in which she participates." | | |

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| REFUGEES— | | |
| European Agreement on the Abolition of Visas for Refugees | Strasbourg, 20 Apr., 1959 | 32/1969 Cmnd. 3922 |
| Signature— Portugal (subject to ratification) | 10 May, 1979 | |
| ROAD TRANSPORT— | | |
| Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Conditions of Approval for Motor Vehicle Equipment and Parts and Reciprocal Recognition thereof | Geneva, 20 Mar., 1958 | 7/1965 Cmnd. 2535 |
| Regulation No. 25. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of head restraints (headrests), whether or not incorporated in vehicle seats. | | |
| Acceptance— Belgium | 29 June, 1979 (effective date) | |
| Regulation No. 27. Uniform provisions for the approval of advance-warning triangles. | | |
| Acceptance— German Democratic Republic | 23 June, 1979 (effective date) | |
| Regulation No. 28. Uniform provisions for the approval of audible warning devices and of motor vehicles with regard to their audible signals. | | |
| Acceptance— German Democratic Republic | 23 June, 1979 (effective date) | |
| Regulation No. 35. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to the arrangement of foot controls. | | |
| Acceptance— German Democratic Republic | 23 June, 1979 (effective date) | |
| Regulation No. 37. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of incandescent filament lamps to be used in approved lights of power driven vehicles and of their trailers. | | |
| Acceptance— German Democratic Republic | 23 June, 1979 (effective date) | |
| Regulation No. 38. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of rear fog lights for power-driven vehicles and their trailers. | | |
| Acceptance— Belgium | 29 June, 1979 (effective date) | |

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| Regulation No. 39. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to the speedometer equipment including its installation. | | |
| Acceptances— | | |
| Belgium | 29 June, 1979 (effective date) | |
| Italy | 26 May, 1979 (effective date) | |
| SAFE CONTAINERS— | | |
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| SHIPPING— | | |
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| International Agreement regarding the Maintenance of Certain Lights in the Red Sea | London, 20 Feb.— 19 Aug., 1962 | 8/1967 Cmnd. 3191 |
| Acceptance— | | |
| China, People's Republic of | 6 June, 1979 | |
| International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 ... | London, 5 Apr.— 4 July, 1966 | 58/1968 Cmnd. 3708 |
| Accession— | | |
| Yemen Arab Republic | 6 Mar., 1979 | |
| Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 | London, 20 Oct., 1972 | 77/1977 Cmnd. 6962 |
| Accessions— | | |
| Jamaica | 30 Mar., 1979 | |
| Kuwait (with understanding)* | 4 June, 1979 | |
| * The instrument of acceptance of the Government of Kuwait was accompanied by the following understanding: "It is understood that the ratification of the State of Kuwait of the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea and 'Regulations' attached thereto, done at London on the 20th of October, 1972, does not in any way mean recognition of Israel by the State of Kuwait. Furthermore, no treaty relations will arise between the State of Kuwait and Israel." | | |
| International Convention for Safe Containers (CSC) ... | Geneva, 2 Dec., 1972 | 40/1979 Cmnd. 7535 |
| Accessions— | | |
| Bahamas | 16 Feb., 1979 | |
| Denmark | 2 Mar., 1979 | |
| Yemen Arab Republic | 6 Mar., 1979 | |

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| Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and other Celestial Bodies | London, Moscow and Washington, 27 Jan., 1967 | 10/1968 Cmnd. 3519 |
| Ratification in Moscow— | | |
| Peru | 28 Feb., 1979 | |
| Agreement on the Rescue of Astronauts, the Return of Astronauts and the Return of Objects launched into Outer Space | London, Moscow and Washington, 23 Apr., 1968 | 56/1969 Cmnd. 3997 |
| Accession in London— | | |
| Peru | 3 May, 1979 | |
| Accession in Moscow— | | |
| Peru | 21 Mar., 1979 | |
| Convention on Registration of Objects launched into Outer Space | New York, 14 Jan., 1975 | 70/1978 Cmnd. 7271 |
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| Ratification— | | |
| Liechtenstein | 13 June, 1979 | |
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| Constitution of the Universal Postal Union | Vienna, 10 July, 1964 | 70/1966 Cmnd. 3141 |
| Ratifications— | | |
| Paraguay | 12 Mar., 1979 | |
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| Additional Protocol to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union | Tokyo, 14 Nov., 1969 | 72/1973 Cmnd. 5358 |
| Ratifications— | | |
| Botswana | 22 Jan., 1979 | |
| Congo, People's Republic of the | 9 Sept., 1976 | |
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| Ratifications of Second Additional Protocol— | | |
| Botswana | 1 Nov., 1977 | |
| Brazil | 3 Apr., 1979 | |
| Congo, People's Republic of the | 29 May, 1978 | |
| Ethiopia | 4 Apr., 1979 | |
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| United Arab Emirates | 13 Feb., 1979 | |
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| Ratifications of General Regulations— | | |
| Botswana | 1 Nov., 1977 | |
| Brazil | 3 Apr., 1979 | |
| Ethiopia | 4 Apr., 1979 | |
| Peru | 4 May, 1979 | |
| United Arab Emirates | 13 Feb., 1979 | |
| Uruguay | 4 Oct., 1978 | |
| Universal Postal Convention (with Final Protocol and Detailed Regulations) | Lausanne, 5 July, 1974 | 57/1976 Cmnd. 6538 |
| Ratifications— | | |
| Botswana | 1 Nov., 1977 | |
| Brazil | 3 Apr., 1979 | |
| Ethiopia | 4 Apr., 1979 | |
| Peru | 4 May, 1979 | |
| United Arab Emirates | 13 Feb., 1979 | |
| Uruguay | 4 Oct., 1978 | |
| Insured Letters Agreement (with Final Protocol and Detailed Regulations) | Lausanne, 5 July, 1974 | 58/1976 Cmnd. 6534 |
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| Brazil | 7 Feb., 1979 | |
| United Arab Emirates | 13 Feb., 1979 | |
| Uruguay | 4 Oct., 1978 | |
| Postal Parcels Agreement (with Final Protocol and Detailed Regulations) | Lausanne, 5 July, 1974 | 59/1976 Cmnd. 6536 |
| Ratifications— | | |
| Botswana | 1 Nov., 1977 | |
| Brazil | 7 Feb., 1979 | |
| Ethiopia | 4 Apr., 1979 | |
| Peru | 4 May, 1979 | |
| United Arab Emirates | 13 Feb., 1979 | |
| Uruguay | 4 Oct., 1978 | |
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| Acceptances— | | |
| Mozambique | 9 Apr., 1979 | |
| Upper Volta | 20 Mar., 1979 | |