

**7. Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs<sup>1</sup>**

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**Status on April 13, 2018**

State/IGO	Date on which State/IGO became party to the Agreement	Date on which State became party to the Hague Act <sup>5</sup>	Date on which State became party to the Complementary Act of Stockholm	Date on which State/IGO became party to the Geneva Act
African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI).....	September 16, 2008	–	–	September 16, 2008
Albania .....	March 19, 2007	March 19, 2007	March 19, 2007	May 19, 2007
Armenia .....	July 13, 2007	–	–	July 13, 2007
Azerbaijan .....	December 8, 2010	–	–	December 8, 2010
Belgium <sup>5</sup> .....	April 1, 1979	August 1, 1984	May 28, 1979	Not yet in force <sup>6</sup>
Belize.....	July 12, 2003	July 12, 2003	July 12, 2003	–
Benin .....	November 2, 1986	November 2, 1986	January 2, 1987	–
Bosnia and Herzegovina.....	December 24, 2008	–	–	December 24, 2008
Botswana.....	December 5, 2006	–	–	December 5, 2006
Brunei Darussalam .....	December 24, 2013	–	–	December 24, 2013
Bulgaria.....	December 11, 1996	December 11, 1996	December 11, 1996	October 7, 2008
Cambodia .....	February 25, 2017	–	–	February 25, 2017
Côte d'Ivoire.....	May 30, 1993	May 30, 1993	May 30, 1993	–
Croatia.....	February 12, 2004	February 12, 2004	February 12, 2004	April 12, 2004
Democratic People's Republic of Korea .....	May 27, 1992	May 27, 1992	May 27, 1992	September 13, 2016
Denmark.....	December 9, 2008	–	–	December 9, 2008 <sup>7</sup>
Egypt .....	July 1, 1952	–	–	August 27, 2004
Estonia.....	December 23, 2003	–	–	December 23, 2003
European Union .....	January 1, 2008	–	–	January 1, 2008
Finland.....	May 1, 2011	–	–	May 1, 2011
France <sup>8</sup> .....	October 20, 1930	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975	March 18, 2007
Gabon.....	August 18, 2003	August 18, 2003	August 18, 2003	–
Georgia.....	August 1, 2003	August 1, 2003	August 1, 2003	December 23, 2003
Germany.....	June 1, 1928	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975	February 13, 2010
Ghana.....	September 16, 2008	–	–	September 16, 2008
Greece.....	April 18, 1997	April 18, 1997	April 18, 1997	–
Hungary <sup>9</sup> .....	April 7, 1984	August 1, 1984	April 7, 1984	May 1, 2004
Iceland.....	December 23, 2003	–	–	December 23, 2003
Italy .....	June 13, 1987	June 13, 1987	August 13, 1987	–
Japan.....	May 13, 2015	–	–	May 13, 2015
Kyrgyzstan.....	March 17, 2003	March 17, 2003	March 17, 2003	December 23, 2003
Latvia.....	July 26, 2005	–	–	July 26, 2005
Liechtenstein .....	July 14, 1933	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975	December 23, 2003
Lithuania.....	September 26, 2008	–	–	September 26, 2008
Luxembourg <sup>5</sup> .....	April 1, 1979	August 1, 1984	May 28, 1979	Not yet in force <sup>6</sup>
Mali.....	September 7, 2006	September 7, 2006	September 7, 2006	–
Monaco.....	April 29, 1956	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975	June 9, 2011
Mongolia.....	April 12, 1997	April 12, 1997	April 12, 1997	January 19, 2008
Montenegro.....	June 3, 2006	June 3, 2006	June 3, 2006	March 5, 2012
Morocco.....	October 20, 1930	October 13, 1999	October 13, 1999	–
Namibia.....	June 30, 2004	–	–	June 30, 2004
Netherlands <sup>5</sup> .....	April 1, 1979	August 1, 1984 <sup>10</sup>	May 28, 1979 <sup>18</sup>	–
Niger.....	September 20, 2004	September 20, 2004	September 20, 2004	–
Norway.....	June 17, 2010	–	–	June 17, 2010
Oman.....	March 4, 2009	–	–	March 4, 2009
Poland.....	July 2, 2009	–	–	July 2, 2009
Republic of Korea.....	July 1, 2014	–	–	July 1, 2014
Republic of Moldova.....	March 14, 1994	March 14, 1994	March 14, 1994	December 23, 2003
Romania.....	July 18, 1992	July 18, 1992	July 18, 1992	December 23, 2003

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Russian Federation .....	February 28, 2018	–	–	February 28, 2018
Rwanda.....	August 31, 2011	–	–	August 31, 2011
Sao Tome and Principe.....	December 8, 2008	–	–	December 8, 2008
Senegal.....	June 30, 1984	August 1, 1984	June 30, 1984	–
Serbia <sup>11</sup> .....	December 30, 1993	December 30, 1993	December 30, 1993	December 9, 2009
Singapore.....	April 17, 2005	–	–	April 17, 2005
Slovenia.....	January 13, 1995	January 13, 1995	January 13, 1995	December 23, 2003
Spain.....	June 1, 1928	–	–	December 23, 2003
Suriname.....	November 25, 1975	August 1, 1984	February 23, 1977	–
Switzerland.....	June 1, 1928	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975	December 23, 2003
Syrian Arab Republic .....	May 7, 2008	–	–	May 7, 2008
Tajikistan.....	March 21, 2012	–	–	March 21, 2012
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.....	March 18, 1997	March 18, 1997	March 18, 1997	March 22, 2006
Tunisia.....	October 20, 1930	–	–	June 13, 2012
Turkey.....	January 1, 2005	–	–	January 1, 2005
Turkmenistan.....	March 16, 2016	–	–	March 16, 2016
Ukraine.....	August 28, 2002	August 28, 2002	August 28, 2002	December 23, 2003
United Kingdom <sup>12</sup> .....	June 13, 2018	–	–	June 13, 2018
United States of America	May 13, 2015	–	–	May 13, 2015
(Total: 68)	(68)	(34)	(34)	(54)

<sup>1</sup> The Geneva (1999) Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs was adopted on July 2, 1999. The Geneva Act entered into force on December 23, 2003.

<sup>2</sup> The termination of the London Act, as well as of the Additional Act of Monaco, became effective on October 18, 2016, three months after the Director General received the required instruments of acceptance of termination by 11 Contracting Parties, following the earlier denunciation of the London Act by the three other Contracting Parties, which became effective on June 3, 2010, November 19, 2010, and December 13, 2011, respectively, (see Hague Notification No. 130).

<sup>3</sup> The Protocol to the Hague Act (1960) is not yet in force. It has been ratified by or acceded to by the following States: Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands and Switzerland.

<sup>4</sup> The Protocol of Geneva (1975), in accordance with Article 11(2)(a) thereof, ceased to have effect as of August 1, 1984; however, as provided by Article 11(2)(b), States bound by the Protocol (Belgium (as from April 1, 1979), France (as from February 18, 1980), Germany (as from December 26, 1981), Hungary (as from April 7, 1984), Liechtenstein (as from April 1, 1979), Luxembourg (as from April 1, 1979), Monaco (as from March 5, 1981), Netherlands (as from April 1, 1979), Senegal (as from June 30, 1984), Suriname (as from April 1, 1979) and Switzerland (as from April 1, 1979)) are not relieved of their obligations thereunder in respect of industrial designs whose date of international deposit is prior to August 1, 1984.

<sup>5</sup> The territories in Europe of Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands are, for the application of the Hague Agreement, to be deemed a single country.

<sup>6</sup> The Geneva Act will enter into force, with respect to Belgium and Luxembourg, at a later date in accordance with Articles 27 and 28.

<sup>7</sup> Applicable to Greenland as of January 11, 2011 and the Faroe Islands as of April 13, 2016.

<sup>8</sup> Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

<sup>9</sup> With the declaration that Hungary does not consider itself bound by the Protocol annexed to the Hague Act (1960). The London Act ceased to be effective in respect of Hungary as of February 1, 2005.

<sup>10</sup> Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe.

<sup>11</sup> Serbia is the continuing State from Serbia and Montenegro as from June 3, 2006.

<sup>12</sup> In respect of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man.