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JUDICIAL PROCEDURE

INTER-AMERICAN AGREEMENTS

Convention for the establishment of an International Commission of Jurists. Signed at Rio de Janeiro August 23, 1906; entered into force August 26, 1907; for the United States March 9, 1908.

37 Stat. 1554; TS 565; 1 Bevans 547.

States which are parties:

Argentina
Brazil
Chile
Colombia
Costa Rica
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
El Salvador
Guatemala
Honduras
Mexico
Nicaragua
Panama
Peru
United States
Uruguay

Protocol embodying a declaration on the juridical personality of foreign companies. Done at the Pan American Union, Washington, June 25, 1936; entered into force for the United States July 10, 1941.

55 Stat. 1201; TS 973; 3 Bevans 274; 161 UNTS 217.

States which are parties:

Chile¹
Dominican Republic¹
Ecuador
El Salvador
Nicaragua
Peru
United States²
Venezuela

NOTES:

¹ With a statement.

² With understandings.

Protocol on uniformity of powers of attorney which are to be utilized abroad. Done at the Pan American Union, Washington, February 17, 1940; entered into force for the United States April 16, 1942.

56 Stat. 1376; TS 982; 3 Bevans 612; 161 UNTS 229.

States which are parties:

Brazil
Colombia¹
El Salvador¹
Mexico¹
United States
Venezuela¹

NOTE:

¹ With reservation.

Inter-American convention on letters rogatory. Done at Panama January 30, 1975; entered into force January 16, 1976; for the United States August 27, 1988.

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Additional protocol to the Inter-American convention on letters rogatory, with annex. Done at Montevideo May 8, 1979; entered into force June 14, 1980; for the United States August 27, 1988.

TIAS

Parties:

Argentina*
Brazil*
Chile¹*
Colombia*
Costa Rica
Ecuador*
El Salvador^{1 2}*
Guatemala*
Honduras
Mexico¹*
Panama*
Paraguay*
Peru*
Spain³
United States²*
Uruguay³*
Venezuela²*

NOTES:

* The United States has a treaty relationship only with these countries which are a party to the Convention and the Additional Protocol.

¹ With declaration(s).

² With reservation(s).

³ Designation of Central Authority in accordance with Article 4.

Inter-American convention on mutual assistance in criminal matters. Done at Nassau May 23, 1992; entered into force April 14, 1996; for the United States June 24, 2001.

TIAS

Parties:

Antigua and Barbuda
Canada
Chile
Colombia
Dominica
Ecuador
El Salvador
Grenada
Guatemala
Jamaica¹
Mexico
Nicaragua
Panama¹
Paraguay
Peru
Trinidad and Tobago
United States
Venezuela

Amendment:

June 11, 1993.

NOTE:

¹ With reservation(s).

HAGUE CONVENTIONS¹

NOTE:

¹ Adopted under the auspices of the Hague Conference on International Law. (See under LAW, PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL.)

Convention abolishing the requirement of legalisation for foreign public documents, with annex. Done at The Hague October 5, 1961; entered into force January 24, 1965; for the United States October 15, 1981.

33 UST 883; TIAS 10072; 527 UNTS 189.

States which are parties:¹

Albania
Andorra
Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Armenia
Australia
Austria
Azerbaijan
Bahamas, The
Barbados
Belarus
Belgium
Belize
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Botswana
Brunei
Bulgaria
Colombia
Cook Islands
Croatia
Cyprus
Czech Republic
Dominica
Ecuador
El Salvador
Estonia
Fiji
Finland
France²
Germany, Federal Republic of³
Greece
Grenada
Honduras
Hong Kong⁴
Hungary
Iceland
India
Ireland
Israel
Italy
Japan
Kazakhstan
Latvia
Lesotho
Liberia
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Macao⁴
Macedonia
Malawi
Malta
Marshall Islands
Mauritius
Mexico
Monaco
Namibia
Netherlands⁵
New Zealand
Niue

JUDICIAL PROCEDURE (Cont'd)

Norway
Panama¹
Poland
Portugal²
Romania
Russian Federation
St. Kitts and Nevis
St. Lucia
St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Samoa
San Marino
Serbia and Montenegro
Seychelles
Slovak Republic
Slovenia
South Africa
Spain
Suriname
Swaziland
Sweden
Switzerland
Tonga
Trinidad and Tobago
Turkey
Ukraine
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics⁶
United Kingdom⁷
United States^{8,9}
Venezuela
Yugoslavia¹⁰

NOTES:

- ¹ With designation(s).
² Applicable to all overseas departments and territories.
³ See note under GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF in Section 1.
⁴ CHINA is not a party to this treaty but has made it applicable to Hong Kong and Macao. With declaration.
⁵ Applicable to the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles, and Aruba.
⁶ See note under UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS in Section 1.
⁷ Applicable to Anguilla, Jersey, the Bailiwick of Guernsey, Isle of Man, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands, Gibraltar, Montserrat, St. Helena, Turks and Caicos Islands and the British Virgin Islands.
⁸ Extended to those territories for the foreign relations of which the United States is responsible.
⁹ With statement(s).
¹⁰ See note under YUGOSLAVIA in Section 1.

Convention on the service abroad of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters. Done at The Hague November 15, 1965; entered into force February 10, 1969. 20 UST 361; TIAS 6638; 658 UNTS 163.

States which are parties:¹

Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Bahamas
Barbados
Belarus
Belgium²
Botswana²

Bulgaria
Canada²
China^{1,2,3}
Cyprus²
Czech Republic
Denmark²
Egypt
Estonia²
Finland²
France²
Germany, Federal Republic of^{2,4}
Greece²
Hungary
Ireland²
Israel²
Italy
Japan²
Korea
Kuwait
Latvia
Lithuania
Luxembourg²
Malawi
Mexico
Netherlands^{2,5}
Norway²
Pakistan
Poland²
Portugal²
Romania
Russian Federation
St. Vincent and the Grenadines
San Marino
Seychelles²
Slovak Republic
Slovenia
Spain²
Sri Lanka
Sweden²
Switzerland²
Turkey²
Ukraine
United Kingdom^{2,6}
United States^{2,7}
Venezuela²

NOTES:

- ¹ With designation(s).
² With declaration(s).
³ Applicable to Hong Kong and Macao. With declarations. See note under CHINA in Section 1.
⁴ See note under GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF in Section 1.
⁵ Extended to Aruba.
⁶ Extended to Anguilla, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Central and Southern Line Islands, Falkland Islands and dependencies, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St. Helena and dependencies, Turks and Caicos Islands.
⁷ Extended to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Convention on the taking of evidence abroad in civil or commercial matters. Done at The Hague March 18, 1970; entered into force October 7, 1972. 23 UST 2555; TIAS 7444; 847 UNTS 231.

States which are parties:¹

Argentina^{2,3}
Australia^{2,3}
Barbados

Belarus
Bulgaria
China^{2,3,4}
Cyprus
Czech Republic
Denmark^{2,3}
Estonia²
Finland^{2,3}
France^{2,5}
Germany, Federal Republic of^{2,3,6}
Greece
Israel²
Italy²
Latvia
Lithuania
Luxembourg^{2,3}
Mexico^{2,3}
Monaco^{2,3}
Netherlands⁷
Norway^{2,3}
Poland
Portugal^{2,3}
Romania
Seychelles
Singapore^{2,3}
Slovak Republic
Slovenia
South Africa^{2,3}
Spain^{2,3}
Sri Lanka
Sweden²
Switzerland^{2,3}
Turkey
Ukraine
United Kingdom^{2,3,8}
United States^{2,9}
Venezuela

NOTES:

- ¹ With designation(s).
² With declaration(s).
³ With reservation(s).
⁴ Applicable to Hong Kong and Macao. With declarations. See note under CHINA in Section 1.
⁵ Applicable to all territories of the French Republic.
⁶ See note under GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF in Section 1.
⁷ Extended to Aruba.
⁸ Extended to Anguilla, Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands and dependencies, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, and the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia on the Island of Cyprus.
⁹ Extended to Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Convention on the civil aspects of international child abduction. Done at The Hague October 25, 1980; entered into force December 1, 1983; for the United States July 1, 1988. TIAS 11670.

Parties:
Argentina¹
Australia²
Austria¹
Bahamas
Belgium
Belize³
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Brazil
Bulgaria
Burkina Faso
Canada^{3,4,5}

JUDICIAL PROCEDURE (Cont'd)

Chile⁴
 Colombia
 Croatia
 Cyprus
 Czech Republic
 Denmark^{1 4}
 Ecuador
 Finland⁴
 France^{3 4}
 Germany, Federal Republic of^{1 3 6}
 Greece^{3 4}
 Honduras
 Hong Kong⁷
 Hungary¹
 Iceland
 Ireland
 Israel³
 Italy
 Luxembourg⁴

Macao⁷
 Macedonia
 Malta
 Mauritius³
 Mexico
 Monaco³
 Netherlands^{3 8}
 New Zealand³
 Norway³
 Panama
 Poland³
 Portugal¹
 Romania
 St. Kitts and Nevis³
 Serbia and Montenegro
 Slovak Republic
 Slovenia
 South Africa
 Spain¹
 Sweden³
 Switzerland¹
 Turkey
 United Kingdom^{3 4 9}
 United States^{1 3}

Uruguay
 Venezuela³
 Yugoslavia¹⁰
 Zimbabwe

NOTES:

¹ With designation(s).

² Extended to legal system applicable only in Australian states and mainland territories.

³ With reservation(s).

⁴ With declaration(s).

⁵ Extended to Alberta, Newfoundland, Northwest Territories, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Islands, Quebec, Saskatchewan and Yukon Territory.

⁶ See note under GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF in Section 1.

⁷ CHINA is not a party to this treaty but has made it applicable to Hong Kong and Macao. With declarations.

⁸ Applicable to Kingdom in Europe.

⁹ Extended to Isle of Man.

¹⁰ See note under YUGOSLAVIA in Section 1.