

2. The contracting States in accepting the present Agreement do not assume responsibility in respect of any or all non-self-governing territories for which they are responsible but may notify the acceptance of the Agreement by any or all of such territories at the time of acceptance by such contracting States or at any time thereafter. The present Agreement shall, in such cases, apply to all the territories named in the notification ninety days after the receipt thereof by the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

3. Any contracting State may at any time after the expiration of the period of three years provided for in Article XIII declare that it desires the present Agreement to cease to apply to all or any territories for which such contracting State has international obligations or to any or all non-self-governing territories for which it is responsible. The present Agreement shall, in that case, cease to apply to the territories named in the declaration six months after the receipt thereof by the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

4. The Secretary-General of the United Nations shall communicate to all the Members of the United Nations and to all non-Member States referred to in Article XI the declarations and notifications received in virtue of the present Article, together with the dates of the receipt thereof.

ARTICLE XV

Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to prohibit the contracting States from entering into agreements or arrangements with the United Nations or any of its Specialized Agencies which would provide for facilities, exemptions, privileges or immunities with respect to material emanating from or sponsored by the United Nations or by any of its Specialized Agencies.

ARTICLE XVI

The original of the present Agreement shall be deposited in the archives of the United Nations and shall be opened for signature at Lake Success on 15 July 1949 where it shall remain open for signature until 31 December 1949. Certified copies of the present Agreement shall be furnished by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to each of the Members of the United Nations and to such other Governments as may be designated by agreement between the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned plenipotentiaries, having deposited their full powers found to be in due and proper form, sign the present Agreement in the English and French languages, each being equally authentic, on behalf of their respective Governments, on the dates appearing opposite their respective signatures.

(Here follow the names of the signatories for Afghanistan, Brazil, (*ad referendum*), Canada (*ad referendum*), Denmark¹, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Greece, Haiti, Iran, Lebanon, the Kingdom of the Netherlands², the Kingdom of Norway, the Philippines³, the United States of America, Uruguay.)

¹Subject to ratification.

²Subject to the reservation* contained in the *procès-verbal* of signature drawn up prior to this signature.

*This reservation is worded as follows:

"At the time of signing the present Agreement, the Plenipotentiary of the Netherlands Government deems it essential to state the following:

"As regards Article III, paragraph I: the words: 'and quantitative restrictions and from the necessity of applying for an import licence' will be deleted, and excluded from the Agreement".