

**ARTICLE XXXVI****Withdrawal**

1. Any Party may withdraw at any time after twelve (12) months from the date on which this Convention entered into force with respect to that Party by giving written notice of withdrawal to the Depositary. The Depositary shall inform the other Parties of the withdrawal within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice. The withdrawal shall become effective six (6) months after receipt of such notice by the Depositary.
2. This article applies, *mutatis mutandis*, to any fishing entity with respect to its commitment under Article XXVIII of this Convention.

**ARTICLE XXXVII****Depositary**

The original texts of this Convention shall be deposited with the Government of the United States of America, which shall send certified copies thereof to the signatories and the Parties thereto, and to the Secretary General of the United Nations for registration and publication, pursuant to Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, having been duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Convention.

**DONE** at Washington, on this 14th day of November, 2003, in English, Spanish and French, all three texts being equally authentic.