

Article XVI

WITHDRAWAL

1. Any Party to this Agreement may withdraw from it. Such withdrawal shall become effective three months after the date on which this has been notified to the Depository.
2. Any associate member may withdraw its membership from the Institute. Such withdrawal shall become effective the day on which this has been notified to the Depository.

Article XVII

ENTRY INTO FORCE

1. This Agreement shall be open for signature by States participating in the Founding Conference, held in Stockholm on the 27th of February 1995, until the date of the second Council meeting.
2. This Agreement shall enter into force on the day upon which at least three States have signed it and provided each other with notification that the formalities required by their national legislation have been completed.
3. For those States which cannot provide such notification on the day of its entry into force, the Agreement shall enter into force thirty days after receipt by the Depository of notification that the formalities required by national legislation have been completed.

Article XVIII

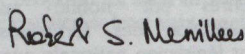
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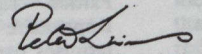
Any State or Inter-Governmental Organization may at any time notify the Secretary-General of its request to accede to this Agreement. If the request is approved by the Council the

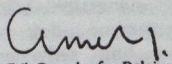
Agreement will enter into force for that State or Inter-Governmental Organization thirty days after the date of the deposit of its instrument of accession.

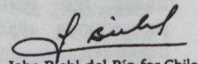
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorised thereto, have signed this Agreement in a single original in the English language, which shall be deposited with the Secretary-General who shall send copies thereof to all the Members of the Institute.

Done in the English language in Stockholm on the 27th of February, 1995.

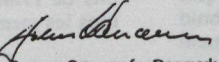

Robert S. Merrillees for Australia

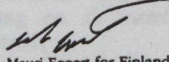

Peter Simmons for Barbados

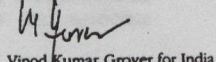

Erik Derycke for Belgium



John Blehl del Rio for Chile

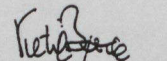

Rubén Hernández Valle for Costa Rica

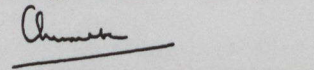

Gunnar Ortmann for Denmark


Mauri Eggert for Finland


Vinod Kumar Grover for India


Gertjan Storm for the Netherlands


Ketil Børde for Norway


Vasco Taveira Da Cunha Valente for Portugal

