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STATUS OF CONVENTIONS

Note by the Secretary-General

1. At its thirteenth session the Commission decided that it would consider, at each of its sessions, the status of conventions that were the outcome of work carried out by it. *
2. The present note is submitted pursuant to that decision. The annex hereto sets forth the state of signatures, ratifications and accessions as at 25 March 1983 to the following conventions: Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods (New York, 1974); Protocol amending the Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980); United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 (Hamburg); and United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980).

* Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirteenth session, Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth session, Supplement No. 17 (A/35/17), para. 163.

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ANNEX

1. Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods
(New York, 1974)

<u>State</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Ratification</u>	<u>Accession</u>
Argentina			9 October 1981
Brazil	14 June 1974		
Bulgaria	24 February 1975		
Byelorussian SSR	14 June 1974		
Costa Rica	30 August 1974		
Czechoslovakia	29 August 1975	26 May 1977	
Dominican Republic			23 December 1977
Egypt			6 December 1982*
German Democratic Republic	14 June 1974		
Ghana	5 December 1974	7 October 1975	
Hungary	14 June 1974		
Mongolia	14 June 1974		
Nicaragua	13 May 1975		
Norway	11 December 1975	20 March 1980	
Poland	14 June 1974		
Ukrainian SSR	14 June 1974		
USSR	14 June 1974		
Yugoslavia			27 November 1978

Signatures only: 11; ratifications and accessions: 7

Declarations and reservations

Upon signature Norway declared that in accordance with article 34 the Convention would not govern contracts of sale where the seller and the buyer both had their relevant places of business within the territories of the Nordic States (i.e. Norway, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, and Sweden).

2. Protocol amending the Convention on the Limitation Period in the
International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980)

<u>State</u>	<u>Accession</u>
Egypt	6 December 1982

* By virtue of accession to Protocol Amending the Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980)(Art. VIII (2) of the Protocol).

3. United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 (Hamburg):

<u>State</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Ratification</u>	<u>Accession</u>
Austria	30 April 1979		
Barbados			2 February 1981
Brazil	31 March 1978		
Chile	31 March 1978	9 July 1982	
Czechoslovakia	6 March 1979		
Denmark	18 April 1979		
Ecuador	31 March 1978		
Egypt	31 March 1978	23 April 1979	
Finland	18 April 1979		
France	18 April 1979		
Germany, Federal Republic of	31 March 1978		
Ghana	31 March 1978		
Holy Sea	31 March 1978		
Hungary	23 April 1979		
Madagascar	31 March 1978		
Mexico	31 March 1978		
Morocco			12 June 1981
Norway	18 April 1979		
Pakistan	8 March 1979		
Panama	31 March 1978		
Philippines	14 June 1978		
Portugal	31 March 1978		
Romania			7 January 1982
Senegal	31 March 1978		
Sierra Leone	15 August 1978		
Singapore	31 March 1978		
Sweden	18 April 1979		
Tunisia			15 September 1980
Uganda			6 July 1979
United Republic of Tanzania			24 July 1979
United States of America	30 April 1979		
Venezuela	31 March 1978		
Zaire	19 April 1979		

Signatures only: 25; ratifications and accessions: 8

Declarations and reservations

Upon signing the Convention the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic declared in accordance with article 26 a formula for converting the amounts of liability referred to in paragraph 2 of that article into the Czechoslovak currency and the amount of the limits of liability to be applied in the territory of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic as expressed in the Czechoslovak currency.

4. United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of
Goods (Vienna, 1980)

<u>State</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Ratification</u>	<u>Accession</u>
Austria	11 April 1980		
Chile	11 April 1980		
China	30 September 1981		
Czechoslovakia	1 September 1981		
Denmark	26 May 1981		
Egypt			6 December 1982
Finland	26 May 1981		
France	27 August 1981	6 August 1982	
German Democratic Republic	13 August 1981		
Germany, Federal Republic of	26 May 1981		
Ghana	11 April 1980		
Hungary	11 April 1980		
Italy	30 September 1981		
Lesotho	18 June 1981	18 June 1981	
Netherlands	29 May 1981		
Norway	26 May 1981		
Poland	28 September 1981		
Singapore	11 April 1980		
Sweden	26 May 1981		
Syrian Arab Republic			19 October 1982
United States of America	31 August 1981		
Venezuela	28 September 1981		
Yugoslavia	11 April 1980		

Signatures only: 19; ratifications and accessions: 4

Declaration and reservations

Upon signing the Convention the Governments of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden declared in accordance with Article 92 (1) that they would not be bound by Part II of the Convention (Formation of the Contract).