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**REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE CONVENTION AND
MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION**

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This document reports on the status, as of 4 November 2016, of the membership of the Organization
<i>Strategic direction:</i>	2
<i>High-level action:</i>	2.0.1
<i>Output:</i>	No related provisions
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Paragraph 3
<i>Related document:</i>	C 116/16 and A 29/20

Membership of the Organization

1 Since the 116th session of the Council, held in July 2016, there has been no change in the membership of the Organization, which continues to stand at 171. There has also been no change in the number of Associate Members, which continues to stand at three. Likewise, there has been no change in status regarding potential new members of the Organization, as last reported in document A 29/20.

2 A list of the whole membership of the Organization can be found in the annex to this document. Any further developments regarding the status of the Convention and membership of the Organization will be reported to the Council, as appropriate.

Action requested of the Council

3 The Council is invited to take note of the information provided in this document and to comment or decide as it may deem appropriate.

ANNEX

**MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION
(as of 4 November 2016)**

Members	Date of deposit of the instrument of acceptance
ALBANIA	24 May 1993
ALGERIA	31 October 1963
ANGOLA	6 June 1977
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	13 January 1986
ARGENTINA	18 June 1953
AUSTRALIA	13 February 1952
AUSTRIA	2 April 1975
AZERBAIJAN	15 May 1995
BAHAMAS	22 July 1976
BAHRAIN	22 September 1976
BANGLADESH	27 May 1976
BARBADOS	7 January 1970
BELGIUM	9 August 1951
BELIZE	13 September 1990
BENIN	19 March 1980
BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF)	6 July 1987
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	16 July 1993
BRAZIL	4 March 1963
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	31 December 1984
BULGARIA	5 April 1960
CABO VERDE	24 August 1976
CAMBODIA	3 January 1961
CAMEROON	1 May 1961
CANADA	15 October 1948
CHILE	17 February 1972
CHINA	1 March 1973
COLOMBIA	19 November 1974
COMOROS	3 August 2001
CONGO	5 September 1975
COOK ISLANDS	18 July 2008
COSTA RICA	4 March 1981
CÔTE D'IVOIRE	4 November 1960
CROATIA	8 July 1992
CUBA	6 May 1966
CYPRUS	21 November 1973
CZECHIA	18 June 1993
DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA	16 April 1986
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO	16 August 1973
DENMARK	3 June 1959
DJIBOUTI	20 February 1979
DOMINICA	18 December 1979
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	25 August 1953
ECUADOR	12 July 1956
EGYPT	17 March 1958
EL SALVADOR	12 February 1981
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	6 September 1972

Members

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instrument of acceptance**

ERITREA	31 August 1993
ESTONIA	31 January 1992
ETHIOPIA	3 July 1975
FIJI	14 March 1983
FINLAND	21 April 1959
FRANCE	9 April 1952
GABON	1 April 1976
GAMBIA	11 January 1979
GEORGIA	22 June 1993
GERMANY	7 January 1959
GHANA	6 July 1959
GREECE	31 December 1958
GRENADA	3 December 1998
GUATEMALA	16 March 1983
GUINEA	3 December 1975
GUINEA-BISSAU	6 December 1977
GUYANA	13 May 1980
HAITI	23 June 1953
HONDURAS	23 August 1954
HUNGARY	10 June 1970
ICELAND	8 November 1960
INDIA	6 January 1959
INDONESIA	18 January 1961
IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)	2 January 1958
IRAQ	28 August 1973
IRELAND	26 February 1951
ISRAEL	24 April 1952
ITALY	28 January 1957
JAMAICA	11 May 1976
JAPAN	17 March 1958
JORDAN	9 November 1973
KAZAKHSTAN	11 March 1994
KENYA	22 August 1973
KIRIBATI	28 October 2003
KUWAIT	5 July 1960
LATVIA	1 March 1993
LEBANON	3 May 1966
LIBERIA	6 January 1959
LIBYA	16 February 1970
LITHUANIA	7 December 1995
LUXEMBOURG	14 February 1991
MADAGASCAR	8 March 1961
MALAWI	19 January 1989
MALAYSIA	17 June 1971
MALDIVES	31 May 1967
MALTA	22 June 1966
MARSHALL ISLANDS	26 March 1998
MAURITANIA	8 May 1961
MAURITIUS	18 May 1978
MEXICO	21 September 1954
MONACO	22 December 1989

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MONGOLIA	11 December 1996
MONTENEGRO	10 October 2006
MOROCCO	30 July 1962
MOZAMBIQUE	17 January 1979
MYANMAR	6 July 1951
NAMIBIA	27 October 1994
NEPAL	31 January 1979
NETHERLANDS	31 March 1949
NEW ZEALAND	9 November 1960
NICARAGUA	17 March 1982
NIGERIA	15 March 1962
NORWAY	29 December 1958
OMAN	30 January 1974
PAKISTAN	21 November 1958
PALAU	8 September 2011
PANAMA	31 December 1958
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	6 May 1976
PARAGUAY	15 March 1993
PERU	15 April 1968
PHILIPPINES	9 November 1964
POLAND	16 March 1960
PORTUGAL	17 March 1976
QATAR	19 May 1977
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	10 April 1962
REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	12 December 2001
ROMANIA	28 April 1965
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	24 December 1958
SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	8 October 2001
SAINT LUCIA	10 April 1980
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	29 April 1981
SAMOA	25 October 1996
SAN MARINO	12 March 2002
SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE	9 July 1990
SAUDI ARABIA	25 February 1969
SENEGAL	7 November 1960
SERBIA	11 December 2000
SEYCHELLES	13 June 1978
SIERRA LEONE	14 March 1973
SINGAPORE	17 January 1966
SLOVAKIA	24 March 1993
SLOVENIA	10 February 1993
SOLOMON ISLANDS	27 June 1988
SOMALIA	4 April 1978
SOUTH AFRICA	28 February 1995
SPAIN	23 January 1962
SRI LANKA	6 April 1972
SUDAN	5 July 1974
SURINAME	14 October 1976
SWEDEN	27 April 1959
SWITZERLAND	20 July 1955
SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC	28 January 1963

Members

THAILAND
THE FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC
OF MACEDONIA
TIMOR-LESTE
TOGO
TONGA
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
TUNISIA
TURKEY
TURKMENISTAN
TUVALU
UGANDA
UKRAINE
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND
NORTHERN IRELAND
UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
URUGUAY
VANUATU
VENEZUELA (BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF)
VIET NAM
YEMEN
ZAMBIA
ZIMBABWE

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instrument of acceptance**

20 September 1973
13 October 1993
10 May 2005
20 June 1983
23 February 2000
27 April 1965
23 May 1963
25 March 1958
26 August 1993
19 May 2004
30 June 2009
28 March 1994
4 March 1980
14 February 1949
8 January 1974
17 August 1950
10 May 1968
21 October 1986
27 October 1975
12 June 1984
14 March 1979
2 October 2014
16 August 2005

Associate Members

HONG KONG, CHINA
MACAO, CHINA
FAROEES

7 June 1967
2 February 1990
3 December 2002
