Notifications, declarations and reservations relating to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, as at 30 September 2011

Note by the Secretariat

1. The present note provides information on the relevant notifications, declarations and reservations relating to the United Nations Convention against Corruption submitted to the Secretary-General in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Convention. The full texts of the notifications, declarations and reservations received by the Secretary-General are available on the website of the United Nations Treaty Collection (http://treaties.un.org).

I. Notifications, reservations and declarations received by the Secretary-General

A. Notifications

1. Notifications pursuant to article 6, paragraph 3: designation of competent authorities for assistance in prevention measures

2. The Secretary-General has received notifications of the relevant competent authorities for assistance in prevention measures, pursuant to article 6, paragraph 3, of the Convention, from the following States parties: Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia,
2. **Notifications pursuant to article 44, paragraph 6 (a): the Convention as the legal basis for cooperation on extradition**

The following States parties have indicated that they consider the Convention the legal basis for cooperation on extradition, pursuant to article 44, paragraph 6 (a) of the Convention: Albania, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Estonia, Georgia, Guatemala, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Mongolia, Netherlands, Panama, Paraguay, Poland, Slovenia, South Africa, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine and Uruguay. Belgium accepted such use of the Convention in the absence of bilateral or multilateral treaties. The Russian Federation and Uzbekistan accepted such use of the Convention on the basis of reciprocity. Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Israel, Kenya, the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Malta, Mauritius, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, Seychelles, Singapore, the United States and Viet Nam specifically excluded the Convention as the legal basis for cooperation on extradition.

3. **Notifications pursuant to article 46, paragraph 13: designation of central authorities to receive requests for mutual legal assistance**

The Secretary-General has received from the following States parties notifications of the central authorities designated to receive requests for mutual legal assistance, pursuant to article 46, paragraph 13, of the Convention: Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Georgia, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Latvia, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Maldives, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivian Republic of), Viet Nam and Zimbabwe.

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1 Lithuania considers the Convention the legal basis for cooperation on extradition, except with regard to nationals.
4. Notifications pursuant to article 46, paragraph 14: acceptable languages for requests

5. The Secretary-General has received, pursuant to article 46, paragraph 14, of the Convention, notifications from the following States of the acceptable languages for requests for mutual legal assistance: Albania (Albanian); Algeria (Arabic and French); Azerbaijan (Azerbaijani, English and Russian); Bangladesh (English); Belgium (Dutch, English and French); Benin (French); Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (Spanish); Brunei Darussalam (English); Bulgaria (Bulgarian and English); Canada (English and French); Chile (Spanish); China (Chinese) (Chinese and English for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of China, and Chinese and Portuguese for the Macao Special Administrative Region of China); Colombia (Spanish); Costa Rica (Spanish); Croatia (Croatian and English); Cyprus (English, Greek and Turkish); El Salvador (Spanish); Estonia (English and Estonian); Finland (English, Finnish and Swedish); France (the official languages of the United Nations); Georgia (English and Georgian); Greece (English and Greek); Guatemala (Spanish); Iceland (English and Icelandic); India (English); Israel (English and Hebrew); Jordan (Arabic and English); Kazakhstan (Kazakh and Russian); Kenya (English); Kuwait (Arabic and English); Latvia (Latvian); Liechtenstein (English and German); Lithuania (English, Lithuanian and Russian); Luxembourg (English and French); Malta (English); Mauritius (English preferably, and French); Mongolia (English, Mongolian and Russian); Montenegro (English and Montenegrin); Mozambique (English); Nepal (English and Nepali); Netherlands (Dutch and English); Norway (Danish, English, Norwegian and Swedish); Pakistan (English); Panama (Spanish); Paraguay (Spanish); Philippines (English); Poland (English and Polish); Republic of Korea (English and Korean); Russian Federation (Russian); Singapore (English); Slovakia (English and Slovak); Slovenia (English, French and Slovene); Switzerland (French, German and Italian); the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (Macedonian); Ukraine (English, French, Russian and Ukrainian); United States (English); Uruguay (English and Spanish); Uzbekistan (English, Russian and Uzbek); Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (Spanish); and Viet Nam (English).

B. Reservations and declarations

1. Reservations in accordance with article 66, paragraph 3: dispute settlement

6. The following States submitted reservations in accordance with article 66, paragraph 3, of the Convention, stating that they did not consider themselves bound by the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice: Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, China, Colombia, Cuba, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Georgia, Greece, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Malta, Mozambique, Myanmar (signatory), Nepal, Pakistan, Panama, Qatar, Singapore, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United States, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam and Yemen.
2. **Declarations**

7. Declarations were submitted by the following States and one regional organization: Algeria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Canada, El Salvador, European Union, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Paraguay, Russian Federation, Spain, United States, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Viet Nam.

II. **Notifications received by the Secretary of the Conference: designation of asset recovery focal points**

8. The Secretary of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption has received from 44 States parties and one signatory State notifications of the designated asset recovery focal points: Afghanistan, Algeria, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Cape Verde, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Guatemala, Jordan, Kenya, Latvia, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Netherlands, Pakistan, Palau, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Serbia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic (signatory), Tunisia, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States and Viet Nam.