GERMANY

✓ Signature: 10.04.1981

✓ Ratification, Acceptance, Approval, Accession, Succession:

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1 In a communication dated 3 October 1990, the Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Germany notified the Secretary-General of the following:

"... Through the accession of the German Democratic Republic to the Federal Republic of Germany with effect from 3 October 1990, the two German States have united to form one sovereign State, which as a single Member of the United Nations remains bound by the provisions of the Charter in accordance with the solemn declaration of 12 June 1973. As from the date of unification, the Federal Republic of Germany will act in the United Nations under the designation 'Germany'."

The former German Democratic Republic was admitted to the Organization on 18 September 1973 by Resolution No. 3050 (XXVIII). For the text of the declaration of acceptance of the obligations contained in the Charter dated 12 June 1973 made by the German Democratic Republic (registered under No. 12758), see United Nations, Treaty Series , vol. 891, p. 103.

Consequently, and in the light of articles 11 and 12 of the Treaty of 31 August 1990 (Unification Treaty) between the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic, entries in status lists pertaining to formalities (i.e., signatures, ratifications, accessions, declarations and reservations, etc.) effected by the Federal Republic of Germany will now appear under "Germany" and indicate the dates of such formalities.

As regards treaties in respect of which formalities had been effected by both the Federal Republic of Germany and the former German Democratic Republic prior to unification, the entry will similarly indicate in the corresponding table the type of formality effected by the Federal Republic of Germany and the date on which it took place, while the type of formality effected by the former German Democratic Republic and the date thereof will appear in a footnote.

Finally, as regards the treatment of treaties in respect of which formalities were effected by the former German Democratic Republic alone, article 12, para. 3 of the Unification Treaty contains the following provision: "Should the united Germany intend to accede to international organizations or other multilateral treaties of which the German Democratic Republic but not the Federal Republic of Germany is a member, agreement shall be reached with the respective contracting parties and with the European Communities where the latter's competence is affected". Accordingly, a footnote indicating the date and type of formality effected by the former German Democratic Republic will be included in the status of the treaties concerned, the corresponding footnote indicator being inserted next to the heading "Participant".

2 In accordance with Article 3, the Convention was “... open for signature by all States at the United Nations Headquarters in New York for a period of twelve months from 10 April 1981.” The German Democratic Republic had signed and ratified the Convention on 10 April 1981 and 20 July 1982, respectively, accepting all three Protocols.
✓ Reservation:

✓ Declarations:

  • Declaration:³
  [Same declaration, mutatis mutandis, as the one made by Ireland.]

  • Declarations:⁴
    ▪ “Declarations in respect of articles 1 and 2:
      [Same declarations, mutatis mutandis, as those made by Ireland.]

    ▪ Article 5 paragraph 2 (b):
      “It is understood that article 5, paragraph 2 (b) does not preclude agreement among
      the states concerned, in connection with peace treaties or similar arrangements, to
      allocate responsibilities under paragraph 2 (b) in another manner which nevertheless
      respects the essential spirit and purpose of the article.”

³ Made upon consent to be bound by Protocol IV.
⁴ Made upon consent to be bound by Amended Protocol II.