

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF THE TRAFFIC IN WOMEN AND CHILDREN, AS AMENDED

Note: This Convention was concurred in by the Senate, S.R. No. 99, May 19, 1952. The Philippine instrument of accession was deposited with the Secretary-General of the U.N., September 30, 1954. The Convention entered into force, April 20, 1950, and with respect to the Philippines., September 30, 1954.

Reference: This Convention is also published in 53 UNTS, p. 39.

ARTICLE 1

The High Contracting Parties agree that, in the event of their not being already Parties to the Agreement of May 18, 1904, and the Convention of May 4, 1910, mentioned above, they will transmit with the least possible delay, their ratifications of, or adhesions to, those instruments in the manner laid down therein.

ARTICLE 2

The High Contracting Parties agree to take all measures to discover and prosecute persons who are engaged in the traffic in children of both sexes and who commit offences within the meaning of Article 1 of the Convention of May 4, 1910.

ARTICLE 3

The High Contracting Parties agree to take the necessary steps to secure punishment of attempts to commit, and, within legal limits, of acts preparatory to the commission of the offences specified in Article 1 and 2 of the Convention of May 4, 1910.

ARTICLE 4

The High Contracting Parties agree that, in cases where there are no extradition Conventions in force between them, they will take all measures within their power to extradite or provide for the extradition of persons accused or convicted of the offences specified in Article 1 and 2 of the Convention of May 4, 1910.

ARTICLE 5

In paragraph B of the Final Protocol of the Convention of 1910, the words "twenty completed years of age" shall be replaced by the words "twenty-one completed years of age".

ARTICLE 6

The High Contracting Parties agree, in case they have not already taken legislative or administrative measures regarding licensing and supervision

of employment agencies and offices, to prescribe such regulations as are required to ensure the protection of women and children seeking employment in another country.

ARTICLE 7

The High Contracting Parties undertake in connection with immigration and emigration to adopt such administrative and legislative measures as are required to check the traffic in women and children. In particular, they undertake to make such regulations as are required for the protection of women and children traveling on emigrant ships, not only at the points of departure and arrival, but also during the journey and to arrange for the exhibition, in railways stations and in ports, of notices warning women and children of the danger of the traffic and indicating the places where they can obtain accommodation and assistance.

ARTICLE 8

The present Convention, of which the French and the English texts are both authentic, shall bear this day's date, and shall be open for signature until March 31st, 1922.

ARTICLE 9

The present Convention is subject to ratification. As from 1 January 1948 instruments of ratification shall be transmitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who will notify the receipt of them to Members of the United Nations, and to non-member States to which the Secretary-General has communicated a copy of the Convention. The instruments of ratification shall be deposited in the archives of the Secretariat of the United Nations.

In order to comply with the provisions of Article 18 of the Covenant of the League of Nations, the Secretary-General will register the present Convention upon the deposit of the first ratification.

ARTICLE 10

Members of the United Nations may accede to the present Convention.

The same applies to non-member States to which the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations may decide officially to communicate the present Convention.

Accession will be notified to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who will notify all Members of the United Nations and the non-member States to which the Secretary-General has communicated a copy of the Convention.

ARTICLE 11

The present Convention shall come into force in respect of each Party on the date of the deposit of its ratification or act of accession.

ARTICLE 12