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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

No. 6927. CONVENTION¹ BETWEEN THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA REGULATING THE NATIONALITY OF PERSONS HAVING DUAL NATIONALITY. SIGNED AT SOFIA, ON 27 JUNE 1958

The Presidential Council of the Hungarian People's Republic and the Presidium of the National Assembly of the People's Republic of Bulgaria,

Considering that there are a number of persons in the territory of the Contracting Parties whom both Parties, in accordance with their legislation, regard as their nationals, and

Desiring to eliminate the dual nationality of the said persons on the basis of their free decision and to prevent dual nationality from arising,

Have decided to conclude this Convention and for this purpose have appointed as their plenipotentiaries :

The Presidential Council of the Hungarian People's Republic:

Béla Némety, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Hungarian People's Republic to the People's Republic of Bulgaria;

The Presidium of the National Assembly of the People's Republic of Bulgaria :

Milko Tarabanov, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Bulgaria,

who, having exchanged their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed as follows :

Article 1

Persons resident in the territory of one Contracting Party whom both Contracting Parties regard as their nationals may, under the provisions of this Convention, opt for the nationality of either Party.

Article 2

1. Persons to whom article 1 of this Convention applies who are resident in the territory of one Contracting Party and wish to opt for the nationality of the other Contracting Party shall file a declaration to that effect with the Embassy of the latter Contracting Party.

¹ Came into force on 4 July 1959, the thirtieth day from the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification which took place at Budapest on 3 June 1959, in accordance with the provisions of article 12.

2. Persons with dual nationality who are resident in the territory of a third State shall file a declaration with the diplomatic or consular mission of the Contracting Party for whose nationality they wish to opt.

3. The time-limit for filing the declarations referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be one year from the date of the entry into force of this Convention.

Article 3

1. The declarations referred to in article 2 may be filed only by persons of full age.

2. For the purposes of this Convention, "persons of full age" means persons who have attained the age of eighteen years or persons under the age of eighteen years who are married.

Article 4

1. Children under full age shall follow the nationality of their parents where, under the provisions of this Convention, both parents have the same nationality.

2. Where one parent has or opts for the nationality of one Contracting Party and the other has or opts for the nationality of the other Contracting Party, the nationality of a child under full age who has dual nationality may be determined by agreement between the parents. If the child is not a national of the Contracting Party in whose territory he is resident, the agreement must be recorded in a declaration filed in accordance with the provisions of article 2.

3. In the absence of agreement between the parents, children under full age shall retain the nationality of the Contracting Party in whose territory they are resident.

4. In the absence of agreement, the children of parents who reside separately shall follow the nationality of the parent exercising parental rights.

5. Children under full age whose parents are dead or the whereabouts of whose parents is unknown shall retain the nationality of the Contracting Party in whose territory they are resident on the first anniversary of the entry into force of this Convention.

6. Children under full age who have dual nationality and are resident in the territory of a third State shall, in the absence of agreement between their parents, retain the nationality of the Contracting Party in whose territory they were resident before going abroad.