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**ARGENTINA, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC,  
REPUBLIC OF CHINA, DENMARK,  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, etc.**

**Optional Protocol to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic  
Relations, concerning Acquisition of Nationality. Done  
at Vienna, on 18 April 1961**

*Official texts: English, French, Chinese, Russian and Spanish.*

*Registered ex officio on 24 June 1964.*

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RÉPUBLIQUE DE CHINE, DANEMARK,  
RÉPUBLIQUE DOMINICAINE, etc.**

**Protocole de signature facultative à la Convention de Vienne  
sur les relations diplomatiques, concernant l'acqui-  
sition de la nationalité. Fait à Vienne, le 18 avril 1961**

*Textes officiels anglais, français, chinois, russe et espagnol.*

*Enregistré d'office le 24 juin 1964.*

No. 7311. OPTIONAL PROTOCOL<sup>1</sup> TO THE VIENNA CONVENTION ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS,<sup>2</sup> CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF NATIONALITY. DONE AT VIENNA, ON 18 APRIL 1961

*The States Parties to the present Protocol and to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations,*<sup>2</sup> hereinafter referred to as “the Convention”, adopted by the United Nations Conference held at Vienna from 2 March to 14 April 1961,<sup>3</sup>

*Expressing their wish* to establish rules between them concerning acquisition of nationality by the members of their diplomatic missions and of the families forming part of the household of those members,

*Have agreed* as follows :

*Article I*

For the purpose of the present Protocol, the expression “members of the mission” shall have the meaning assigned to it in Article 1, sub-paragraph (b), of the Convention, namely “the head of the mission and the members of the staff of the mission”.

*Article II*

Members of the mission not being nationals of the receiving State, and members of their families forming part of their household, shall not, solely by the operation of the law of the receiving State, acquire the nationality of that State.

*Article III*

The present Protocol shall be open for signature by all States which may become Parties to the Convention, as follows : until 31 October 1961 at the Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Austria and subsequently, until 31 March 1962, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

<sup>1</sup> In accordance with article VI (1), the Protocol came into force on 24 April 1964, the date of entry into force of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, in respect of the following States, on behalf of which the instruments of ratification or accession (a) were deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the dates indicated :

Tanganyika . . . . .	5 November 1962	Argentina . . . . .	10 October 1963
Laos . . . . .	3 December 1962 (a)	Iraq . . . . .	15 October 1963
Yugoslavia . . . . .	1 April 1963	Panama . . . . .	4 December 1963 (a)
Madagascar . . . . .	31 July 1963 (a)	Dominican Republic	14 January 1964

Subsequently, the Protocol came into force for Gabon on 2 May 1964 and for the United Arab Republic on 9 July 1964, the instruments of accession having been deposited on behalf of these States on 2 April and 9 June 1964 respectively.

<sup>2</sup> See p. 95 of this volume.

<sup>3</sup> *United Nations Conference on Diplomatic Intercourse and Immunities, Official Records, Vols. I and II* (United Nations Publication, Sales Nos. : 61.X.2 and 62.X.1).

*Article IV*

The present Protocol is subject to ratification. The instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

*Article V*

The present Protocol shall remain open for accession by all States which may become Parties to the Convention. The instruments of accession shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

*Article VI*

1. The present Protocol shall enter into force on the same day as the Convention or on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit of the second instrument of ratification or accession to the Protocol with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, whichever date is the later.
2. For each State ratifying or acceding to the present Protocol after its entry into force in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article, the Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification or accession.

*Article VII*

The Secretary-General of the United Nations shall inform all States which may become Parties to the Convention :

- (a) of signatures to the present Protocol and of the deposit of instruments of ratification or accession, in accordance with Articles III, IV and V;
- (b) of the date on which the present Protocol will enter into force, in accordance with Article VI.

*Article VIII*

The original of the present Protocol, of which the Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who shall send certified copies thereof to all States referred to in Article III.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the present Protocol.

DONE at Vienna, this eighteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and sixty-one.

[The list of the names of States as they appear on signature pages in the original copy of this Protocol is identical to that of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations reproduced on pages 177 to 203 of this volume. Only the names of States which signed this Protocol are printed herein.]

[La liste nominative des États figurant sur les pages de signature de l'exemplaire original du présent Protocole est identique à celle de la Convention de Vienne sur les relations diplomatiques, reproduite aux pages 177 à 203 de ce volume. Seul figure ici le nom des États qui ont signé le Protocole.]

FOR ARGENTINA:

POUR L'ARGENTINE:

阿根廷:

За Аргентину:

POR LA ARGENTINA:

D. Adolfo BALTASAR ESTÉVEZ

25 octobre 1961

FOR THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC:

POUR LA RÉPUBLIQUE CENTRAFRICAINE:

中非共和國:

За Центральноафриканскую Республику:

POR LA REPÚBLICA CENTROAFRICANA:

M. GALLIN-DOUATHE

28 mars 1962

FOR CHINA:

POUR LA CHINE:

中國:

За Китай:

POR LA CHINA:

HU Ching-yu

CHEN Tai-chu