

# Cultural Property (Armed Conflicts) Act 2017

## **CHAPTER 6**

## CULTURAL PROPERTY (ARMED CONFLICTS) ACT 2017

## PART 1

## KEY DEFINITIONS

- 1 "The Convention" and related expressions
- 2 "Cultural property"

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Being convinced that damage to cultural property belonging to any...

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#### CHAPTER I.

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The High Contracting Parties are agreed as follows:

- I (1) Each High Contracting Party undertakes to prevent the exportation,...
- II (5) Cultural property coming from the territory of a High...
- III (6) The present Protocol shall bear the date of 14...

SCHEDULE 4 — Second Protocol

The Parties,

Conscious of the need to improve the protection of cultural... Reaffirming the importance of the provisions of the Convention for... Desiring to provide the High Contracting Parties to the Convention... Considering that the rules governing the protection of cultural property...

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## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Cultural Property (Armed Conflicts) Act 2017.