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SECOND PROTOCOL

CHAPTER 9

FINAL CLAUSES

Article 39 Languages

Article 39 This Protocol is drawn up in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish, the six texts being equally authentic.

Article 40 Signature

Article 40 This Protocol shall bear the date of 26 March 1999. It shall be opened for signature by all High Contracting Parties at The Hague from 17 May 1999 until 31 December 1999.

Article 41 Ratification, acceptance or approval

Article 41 (1) This Protocol shall be subject to ratification, acceptance or approval by High Contracting Parties which have signed this Protocol, in accordance with their respective constitutional procedures.

(2) The instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval shall be deposited with the Director-General.

Article 42 Accession

Article 42 (1) This Protocol shall be open for accession by other High Contracting Parties from 1 January 2000.

(2) Accession shall be effected by the deposit of an instrument of accession with the Director-General.

Article 43 Entry into force

Article 43 (1) This Protocol shall enter into force three months after twenty instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession have been deposited.

(2) Thereafter, it shall enter into force, for each Party, three months after the deposit of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.

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Article 44 Entry into force in situations of armed conflict

Article 44 The situations referred to in Articles 18 and 19 of the Convention shall give immediate effect to ratifications, acceptances or approvals of or accessions to this Protocol deposited by the parties to the conflict either before or after the beginning of hostilities or occupation. In such cases the Director-General shall transmit the communications referred to in Article 46 by the speediest method.

Article 45 Denunciation

Article 45 (1) Each Party may denounce this Protocol.

(2) The denunciation shall be notified by an instrument in writing, deposited with the Director-General.

(3) The denunciation shall take effect one year after the receipt of the instrument of denunciation. However, if, on the expiry of this period, the denouncing Party is involved in an armed conflict, the denunciation shall not take effect until the end of hostilities, or until the operations of repatriating cultural property are completed, whichever is the later.

Article 46 Notifications

Article 46 The Director-General shall inform all High Contracting Parties as well as the United Nations, of the deposit of all the instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession provided for in Articles 41 and 42 and of denunciations provided for Article 45.

Article 47 Registration with the United Nations

Article 47 In conformity with Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations, this Protocol shall be registered with the Secretariat of the United Nations at the request of the Director-General.