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**Protocol (with annex) amending the Slavery Convention  
signed at Geneva on 25 September 1926. Done at the  
Headquarters of the United Nations, New York, on  
7 December 1953**

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

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**Protocole (avec annexe) amendant la Convention relative  
à l'esclavage signée à Genève le 25 septembre 1926.  
Fait au Siège de l'Organisation des Nations Unies, à  
New-York, le 7 décembre 1953**

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

*Enregistré d'office le 7 décembre 1953.*

No. 2422. PROTOCOL<sup>1</sup> AMENDING THE SLAVERY CONVENTION SIGNED AT GENEVA ON 25 SEPTEMBER 1926.<sup>2</sup> DONE AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK, ON 7 DECEMBER 1953

The States Parties to the present Protocol,

Considering that under the Slavery Convention signed at Geneva on 25 September 1926<sup>2</sup> (hereinafter called "the Convention") the League of Nations was invested with certain duties and functions, and

Considering that it is expedient that these duties and functions should be continued by the United Nations,

Have agreed as follows :

*Article I*

The States Parties to the present Protocol undertake that as between themselves they will, in accordance with the provisions of the Protocol, attribute full legal force and effect to and duly apply the amendments to the Convention set forth in the annex to the Protocol.

*Article II*

1. The present Protocol shall be open for signature or acceptance by any of the States Parties to the Convention to which the Secretary-General has communicated for this purpose a copy of the Protocol.

2. States may become Parties to the present Protocol by :

- (a) Signature without reservation as to acceptance;
- (b) Signature with reservation as to acceptance, followed by acceptance;
- (c) Acceptance.

3. Acceptance shall be effected by the deposit of a formal instrument with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

<sup>1</sup> In accordance with paragraph 1 of article III, the Protocol came into force on 7 December 1953, the date on which the following three States became Parties thereto by signature without reservation as to acceptance : Liberia, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and subsequently on the dates indicated in respect of the following States : Australia, 9 December 1953; New Zealand, 16 December 1953; Canada, 17 December 1953.

<sup>2</sup> League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. LX, p. 253; Vol. LXIX, p. 114; Vol. LXXXII, p. 485; Vol. LXXXIII, p. 416; Vol. LXXXVIII, p. 356; Vol. XCVI, p. 192; Vol. C, p. 221; Vol. CIV, p. 511; Vol. CVII, p. 491; Vol. CXXX, p. 444; Vol. CXXXVIII, p. 440; Vol. CLII, p. 296; Vol. CLX, p. 342; Vol. CLXXII, p. 410; Vol. CLXXVII, p. 393; Vol. CLXXXV, p. 387, and Vol. CC, p. 502.

*Article III*

1. The present Protocol shall come into force on the date on which two States shall have become Parties thereto, and shall thereafter come into force in respect of each State upon the date on which it becomes a Party to the Protocol.

2. The amendments set forth in the annex to the present Protocol shall come into force when twenty-three States shall have become Parties to the Protocol, and consequently any State becoming a Party to the Convention, after the amendments thereto have come into force, shall become a Party to the Convention as so amended.

*Article IV*

In accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations and the regulations pursuant thereto adopted by the General Assembly, the Secretary-General of the United Nations is authorized to effect registration of the present Protocol and of the amendments made in the Convention by the Protocol on the respective dates of their entry into force and to publish the Protocol and the amended text of the Convention as soon as possible after registration.

*Article V*

The present Protocol, of which the Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, shall be deposited in the archives of the United Nations Secretariat. The texts of the Convention to be amended in accordance with the annex being authentic in the English and French languages only, the English and French texts of the annex shall be equally authentic, and the Chinese, Russian and Spanish texts shall be translations. The Secretary-General shall prepare certified copies of the Protocol, including the annex, for communication to States Parties to the Convention, as well as to all other States Members of the United Nations. He shall likewise prepare for communication to States, including States not Members of the United Nations, upon the entry into force of the amendments as provided in article III, certified copies of the Convention as so amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, signed the present Protocol on the date appearing opposite their respective signatures.

DONE at the Headquarters of the United Nations, New York, this seventh day of December one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

**FOR AFGHANISTAN:**  
**POUR L'AFGHANISTAN:**  
**阿富汗:**  
**За Афганистан:**  
**FOR EL AFGANISTÁN:**

**FOR AUSTRALIA:**  
**POUR L'AUSTRALIE:**  
**澳大利亞:**  
**За Австралию:**  
**FOR AUSTRALIA:**

W. D. FORSYTH  
9th December 1953

**FOR AUSTRIA:**  
**POUR L'AUTRICHE:**  
**奧地利:**  
**За Австрию:**  
**FOR AUSTRIA:**

Sous réserve de ratification<sup>1</sup>  
Heinrich HAYMERLE

**FOR THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM:**  
**POUR LE ROYAUME DE BELGIQUE:**  
**比利時王國:**  
**За Королевство Бельгии:**  
**FOR EL REINO DE BÉLGICA:**

**FOR BULGARIA:**  
**POUR LA BULGARIE:**  
**保加利亞:**  
**За България:**  
**FOR BULGARIA:**

<sup>1</sup> Subject to ratification.

FOR THE UNION OF BURMA:

POUR L'UNION BIRMANE:

緬甸聯邦:

За Бирманский Союз:

FOR LA UNIÓŃ BIRMANA:

FOR CANADA:

POUR LE CANADA:

加拿大:

За Канаду:

FOR EL CANADÁ:

David M. JOHNSON

17 Dec. 1953

FOR CHINA:

POUR LA CHINE:

中國:

За Китай:

FOR LA CHINA:

Subject to ratification<sup>1</sup>

Ching Liu HSIA

FOR CUBA:

POUR CUBA:

古巴:

За Кубу:

FOR CUBA:

FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA:

POUR LA TCHÉCOSLOVAQUIE:

捷克斯洛伐克:

За Чехословакию:

FOR CHECOESLOVAQUIA:

<sup>1</sup> Sous réserve de ratification.

FOR DENMARK:

POUR LE DANEMARK:

丹麥:

За ДАНИЮ:

FOR DINAMARCA:

FOR ECUADOR:

POUR L'EQUATEUR:

厄瓜多:

За ЭКВАДОР:

FOR EL ECUADOR:

FOR EGYPT:

POUR L'EGYPTE:

埃及:

За ЕГИПЕТ:

FOR EGIPTO:

FOR FINLAND:

POUR LA FINLANDE:

芬蘭:

За ФИНЛЯНДИЮ:

FOR FINLANDIA:

FOR FRANCE:

POUR LA FRANCE:

法蘭西:

За ФРАНЦИЮ:

FOR FRANCIA:

FOR GREECE:  
POUR LA GRÈCE:  
希臘:  
За Грецию:  
POR GRECIA:

Subject to ratification<sup>1</sup>  
Alexis KYROU

FOR HAITI:  
POUR HAÏTI:  
海地:  
За Гаити:  
POR HAÏTÍ:

FOR HUNGARY:  
POUR LA HONGRIE:  
匈牙利:  
За Венгрию:  
POR HUNGRIA:

FOR INDIA:  
POUR L'INDE:  
印度:  
За Индию:  
POR LA INDIA:

FOR INDONESIA:  
POUR L'INDONÉSIE:  
印度尼西亞:  
За Индонезию:  
POR INDONESIA:

<sup>1</sup> Sous réserve de ratification.

FOR IRAQ:  
POUR L'IRAK:  
伊拉克:  
За Ирак:  
FOR IRAK:

FOR IRELAND:  
POUR L'IRLANDE:  
愛爾蘭:  
За Ирландию:  
FOR IRLANDA:

FOR ITALY:  
POUR L'ITALIE:  
義大利:  
За Италию:  
FOR ITALIA:

FOR LEBANON:  
POUR LE LIBAN:  
黎巴嫩:  
За Ливан:  
FOR EL LIBANO:

FOR LIBERIA:  
POUR LE LIBÉRIA:  
利比里亞:  
За Либерию:  
FOR LIBERIA:

Edwin A. MORGAN



FOR MEXICO:  
POUR LE MEXIQUE:  
墨西哥:  
За Мексику:  
POR MÉXICO:

FOR MONACO:  
POUR MONACO:  
摩納哥:  
За Монако:  
POR MÓNACO:

FOR THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS:  
POUR LE ROYAUME DES PAYS-BAS:  
荷蘭王國:  
За Королевство Нидерландов:  
POR EL REINO DE LOS PAÍSES BAJOS:

Sous réserve de ratification<sup>1</sup>  
D. J. VON BALLUSEK  
15 Déc. 1953

FOR NEW ZEALAND:  
POUR LA NOUVELLE-ZÉLANDE:  
紐西蘭:  
За Новую Зеландию:  
POR NUEVA ZELANDIA:

L. K. MUNRO  
16 December 1953

FOR NICARAGUA:  
POUR LE NICARAGUA:  
尼加拉瓜:  
За Никарагуа:  
POR NICARAGUA:

<sup>1</sup> Subject to ratification.

FOR THE KINGDOM OF NORWAY:  
POUR LE ROYAUME DE NORVÈGE:  
那威王國:  
За Королевство Норвегии:  
POR EL REINO DE NORUEGA:

FOR POLAND:  
POUR LA POLOGNE:  
波蘭:  
За Польшу:  
POR POLONIA:

FOR PORTUGAL:  
POUR LE PORTUGAL:  
葡萄牙:  
За Португалию:  
POR PORTUGAL:

FOR ROMANIA:  
POUR LA ROUMANIE:  
羅馬尼亞:  
За Румынию:  
POR RUMANIA:

FOR SWEDEN:  
POUR LA SUÈDE:  
瑞典:  
За Швецию:  
POR SUECIA:

FOR SWITZERLAND:

POUR LA SUISSE:

瑞士

За Швейцарию:

FOR SUIZA:

A. LINDT

FOR SYRIA:

POUR LA SYRIE:

敘利亞:

За Сирию:

FOR SIRIA:

FOR TURKEY:

POUR LA TURQUIE:

土耳其:

За Турцию:

FOR TURQUÍA:

FOR THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA:

POUB L'UNION SUD-AFRICAINE:

南非聯邦:

За Южно-Африканский Союз:

FOR LA UNIÓN SUDAFRICANA:

FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND:

POUR LE ROYAUME-UNI DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE ET D'IRLANDE DU NORD:

大不列顛及北愛爾蘭聯合王國:

За Соединенное Королевство Великобритании и Северной Ирландии:

FOR EL REINO UNIDO DE LA GRAN BRETAÑA, E IRLANDA DEL NORTE:

Evelyn EMMET

FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

POUR LES ETATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE:

美利堅合衆國:

За Соединенные Штаты Америки:

FOR LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMÉRICA:

Subject to acceptance<sup>1</sup>  
Henry Cabot LODGE, Jr.  
December 16, 1953

FOR YUGOSLAVIA:

POUR LA YOUGOSLAVIE:

南斯拉夫:

За Югославию:

FOR YUGOESLAVIA:

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<sup>1</sup> Sous réserve d'acceptation.