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State	Notes	Signature	Ratification, Accession(*), Approval(†), Acceptance(‡) or Succession(§)	Entry into force
Albania			13/05/2009(*)	01/06/2010
Argentina	(a)		19/07/1983(*)	01/01/1988
Armenia	(a), (e)		02/12/2008(*)	01/01/2010
Australia			17/03/1988(*)	01/04/1989
Austria		11/04/1980	29/12/1987	01/01/1989
Belarus	(a)		09/10/1989(*)	01/11/1990
Belgium			31/10/1996(*)	01/11/1997
Benin			29/07/2011(*)	01/08/2012
Bosnia and Herzegovina			12/01/1994(§)	06/03/1992
Bulgaria			09/07/1990(*)	01/08/1991
Burundi			04/09/1998(*)	01/10/1999
Canada	(b)		23/04/1991(*)	01/05/1992
Chile	(a)	11/04/1980	07/02/1990	01/03/1991

China	(a), (e)	30/09/1981	11/12/1986(†)	01/01/1988
Colombia			10/07/2001(*)	01/08/2002
Croatia	(c)		08/06/1998(§)	08/10/1991
Cuba			02/11/1994(*)	01/12/1995
Cyprus			07/03/2005(*)	01/04/2006
Czech Republic	(d), (e)		30/09/1993(§)	01/01/1993
Denmark	(f)	26/05/1981	14/02/1989	01/03/1990
Dominican Republic			07/06/2010(*)	01/07/2011
Ecuador			27/01/1992(*)	01/02/1993
Egypt			06/12/1982(*)	01/01/1988
El Salvador			27/11/2006(*)	01/12/2007
Estonia	(g)		20/09/1993(*)	01/10/1994
Finland	(f)	26/05/1981	15/12/1987	01/01/1989
France		27/08/1981	06/08/1982(†)	01/01/1988
Gabon			15/12/2004(*)	01/01/2006
Georgia			16/08/1994(*)	01/09/1995
Germany	(h), (i)	26/05/1981	21/12/1989	01/01/1991
Ghana		11/04/1980		
Greece			12/01/1998(*)	01/02/1999
Guinea			23/01/1991(*)	01/02/1992
Honduras			10/10/2002(*)	01/11/2003
Hungary	(a), (j)	11/04/1980	16/06/1983	01/01/1988
Iceland	(f)		10/05/2001(*)	01/06/2002
Iraq			05/03/1990(*)	01/04/1991
Israel			22/01/2002(*)	01/02/2003
Italy		30/09/1981	11/12/1986	01/01/1988
Japan			01/07/2008(*)	01/08/2009
Kyrgyzstan			11/05/1999(*)	01/06/2000
Latvia	(a)		31/07/1997(*)	01/08/1998
Lebanon			21/11/2008(*)	01/12/2009
Lesotho		18/06/1981	18/06/1981	01/01/1988
Liberia			16/09/2005(*)	01/10/2006
Lithuania	(a)		18/01/1995(*)	01/02/1996

Luxembourg			30/01/1997(*)	01/02/1998
Mauritania			20/08/1999(*)	01/09/2000
Mexico			29/12/1987(*)	01/01/1989
Mongolia			31/12/1997(*)	01/01/1999
Montenegro			23/10/2006(§)	03/06/2006
Netherlands		29/05/1981	13/12/1990(‡)	01/01/1992
New Zealand			22/09/1994(*)	01/10/1995
Norway	(f)	26/05/1981	20/07/1988	01/08/1989
Paraguay	(a)		13/01/2006(*)	01/02/2007
Peru			25/03/1999(*)	01/04/2000
Poland		28/09/1981	19/05/1995	01/06/1996
Republic of Korea			17/02/2004(*)	01/03/2005
Republic of Moldova			13/10/1994(*)	01/11/1995
Romania			22/05/1991(*)	01/06/1992
Russian Federation	(a), (k)		16/08/1990(*)	01/09/1991
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	(e)		12/09/2000(*)	01/10/2001
San Marino			22/02/2012(*)	01/03/2013
Serbia	(1)		12/03/2001(§)	27/04/1992
Singapore	(e)	11/04/1980	16/02/1995	01/03/1996
Slovakia	(d), (e)		28/05/1993(§)	01/01/1993
Slovenia			07/01/1994(§)	25/06/1991
Spain			24/07/1990(*)	01/08/1991
Sweden	(f)	26/05/1981	15/12/1987	01/01/1989
Switzerland			21/02/1990(*)	01/03/1991
Syrian Arab Republic			19/10/1982(*)	01/01/1988
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia			22/11/2006(§)	17/11/1991
Turkey			07/07/2010(*)	01/08/2011
Uganda			12/02/1992(*)	01/03/1993
Ukraine	(a)		03/01/1990(*)	01/02/1991
United States of America	(e)	31/08/1981	11/12/1986	01/01/1988
Uruguay			25/01/1999(*)	01/02/2000
Uzbekistan			27/11/1996(*)	01/12/1997
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)		28/09/1981		

Zambia 06/06/1986(*) 01/01/1988

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Notes

(a) This State declared, in accordance with articles 12 and 96 of the Convention, that any provision of article 11, article 29 or Part II of the Convention that allowed a contract of sale or its modification or termination by agreement or any offer, acceptance or other indication of intention to be made in any form other than in writing, would not apply where any party had his place of business in its territory.

- (b) Upon accession, Canada declared that, in accordance with article 93 of the Convention, the Convention would extend to Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories. (Upon accession, Canada declared that, in accordance with article 95 of the Convention, with respect to British Columbia, it will not be bound by article 1, paragraph (b), of the Convention. In a notification received on 31 July 1992, Canada withdrew that declaration.) In a declaration received on 9 April 1992, Canada extended the application of the Convention to Quebec and Saskatchewan. In a notification received on 29 June 1992, Canada extended the application of the Convention to the Yukon Territory. In a notification received on 18 June 2003, Canada extended the application of the Convention to the Territory of Nunavut.
- (c) Upon succeeding to the Convention, Croatia has decided, on the basis of the Constitutional Decision on Sovereignty and Independence of the Republic of Croatia of 25 June 1991 and the Decision of the Croatian Parliament of 8 October 1991, and by virtue of succession of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in respect of the territory of Croatia, to be considered a party to the Convention with effect from 8 October 1991, the date on which Croatia severed all constitutional and legal connections with the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and took over its international obligations.
- (d) The former Czechoslovakia signed the Convention on 1 September 1981 and deposited an instrument of ratification on 5 March 1990, with the Convention entering into force for the former Czechoslovakia on 1 April 1991. On 28 May and 30 September 1993, respectively, Slovakia and the Czech Republic, deposited instruments of succession, with effect from 1 January 1993, the date of succession of both States.
- (e) This State declared that it would not be bound by paragraph 1 (b) of article 1.
- (f) Denmark, Norway and Sweden declared that they would not be bound by Part II of the Convention ("Formation of the Contract"). Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden

declared that the Convention would not apply to contracts of sale or to their formation where the parties have their places of business in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway or Sweden.

- (g) On 9 March 2004, Estonia withdrew the declaration made upon ratification mentioned in footnote (a).
- (h) The Convention was signed by the former German Democratic Republic on 13 August 1981 and ratified on 23 February 1989 and entered into force on 1 March 1990.
- (i) Upon ratifying the Convention, Germany declared that it would not apply article 1, paragraph 1 (b) in respect of any State that had made a declaration that that State would not apply article 1, paragraph 1 (b).
- (j) Upon ratifying the Convention, Hungary declared that it considered the General Conditions of Delivery of Goods between Organizations of the Member Countries of the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance to be subject to the provisions of article 90 of the Convention.
- (k) The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of the USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.
- (I) The former Yugoslavia signed and ratified the Convention on 11 April 1980 and 27 March 1985, respectively. On 12 March 2001, the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia declared the following:

"The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, having considered [the Convention], succeeds to the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained as from April 27, 1992, the date upon which the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia assumed responsibility for its international relations."