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Notification to the Parties of the Convention on Jurisdiction and the Recognition and Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters, concluded at Lugano on 30 October 2007

I. Application of accession by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

On 8 April 2020, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland deposited an application to accede to the Convention, including information pursuant to Article 72, with the Swiss Federal Council. The application, dated 2 April 2020, and the related information (Annex A, 41 pages), prepared in English, are enclosed. A French translation will be transmitted as soon as the Depositary has received it.

According to the same provision, the Depositary shall invite the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to accede to the Convention only if it has obtained the unanimous agreement of the Contracting Parties, which shall endeavor to give their consent at the latest within one year after this notification. Therefore, the **Kingdom of Denmark**, the **Republic of Iceland**, the **Kingdom of Norway**, the **Swiss Confederation** and the **European Union** are invited to notify the Depositary as soon as possible of their **express consent**, through diplomatic channels or in the manner preferred by the Parties.

II. Meeting of the Standing Committee and meeting of experts

On 9 April 2020, Switzerland requested the Depositary to convene a meeting of the Standing Committee, in accordance with Article 4 (2) of Protocol 2 to the Convention.

The Chair of the Standing Committee (Head of the Private International Law Unit, Federal Office of Justice, Bundesrain 20, 3003 Bern, Switzerland, jpr@bj.admin.ch, tel. +41 58 46 38864) will contact the representatives of the Contracting Parties to agree on the date and modalities of the meeting and will then circulate a detailed invitation, a draft agenda, and relevant documentation.

The Swiss Federal Council makes the present notification in its capacity as Depositary (www.fdfa.admin.ch/depositary).

Enclosures

Bern, 14 April 2020

