

**16. Convention Relating to the Distribution  
of Programme-Carrying Signals Transmitted by Satellite**

Satellites Convention (Brussels, 1974)

**Status on March 27, 2024**

| State                                  | Date on which State became<br>party to the Convention |
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| Armenia .....                          | December 13, 1993                                     |
| Australia .....                        | October 26, 1990                                      |
| Austria .....                          | August 6, 1982  |
| Bahrain .....                          | May 1, 2007   |
| Benin .....                            | August 18, 2017                                       |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina .....           | March 6, 1992   |
| Canada .....                           | June 27, 2024   |
| Chile .....                            | June 8, 2011  |
| Colombia .....                         | March 20, 2014  |
| Costa Rica .....                       | June 25, 1999   |
| Croatia .....                          | October 8, 1991                                       |
| El Salvador <sup>1</sup> .....         | July 22, 2008   |
| Germany <sup>2</sup> .....             | August 25, 1979                                       |
| Greece .....                           | October 22, 1991                                      |
| Honduras .....                         | April 7, 2008   |
| Italy <sup>2</sup> .....               | July 7, 1981  |
| Jamaica .....                          | January 12, 2000                                      |
| Kenya .....                            | August 25, 1979                                       |
| Mexico .....                           | August 25, 1979                                       |
| Montenegro .....                       | June 3, 2006 <sup>3</sup>                             |
| Morocco .....                          | June 30, 1983   |
| Nicaragua .....                        | August 25, 1979                                       |
| North Macedonia .....                  | November 17, 1991                                     |
| Oman .....                             | March 18, 2008  |
| Panama .....                           | September 25, 1985                                    |
| Peru .....                             | August 7, 1985  |
| Portugal .....                         | March 11, 1996  |
| Qatar .....                            | July 12, 2023   |
| Republic of Korea .....                | March 19, 2012  |
| Republic of Moldova .....              | October 28, 2008                                      |
| Russian Federation .....               | January 20, 1989 <sup>4</sup>                         |
| Rwanda .....                           | July 25, 2001   |
| Serbia .....                           | April 27, 1992  |
| Singapore .....                        | April 27, 2005  |
| Slovenia .....                         | June 25, 1991   |
| Switzerland .....                      | September 24, 1993                                    |
| Togo .....                             | June 10, 2003   |
| Trinidad and Tobago <sup>5</sup> ..... | November 1, 1996                                      |
| United States of America .....         | March 7, 1985   |
| Viet Nam .....                         | January 12, 2006                                      |

(Total: 40 States)

<sup>1</sup> With a declaration, pursuant to Article 2(2) of the Convention, the Salvadorian law does not set a limit on the length of authorization for the distribution of a programme-carrying signal and leaves it open for the owner of the programme to determine the length of authorization when granting the permit or authorization.

<sup>2</sup> With a declaration, pursuant to Article 2(2) of the Convention, that the protection accorded under Article 2(1) is restricted in its territory to a period of 25 years after the expiry of the calendar year in which the transmission by satellite has occurred.

<sup>3</sup> Deposited declaration, on October 23, 2006, with effect from June 3, 2006, the date of State succession.

<sup>4</sup> Date of accession by the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

<sup>5</sup> With a declaration, pursuant to Article 2(2) of the Convention, that the protection accorded under Article 2(1) is restricted in its territory to a period of 20 years after the expiry of the calendar year in which the transmission by satellite has occurred.