

INTERNATIONAL UNION

GERMANY (Federal Republic) (Land Berlin)

The Federal Republic of Germany has acceded to the Berne Convention as revised at Brussels, with effect from October 10, 1966. The instrument of accession was accompanied by a declaration extending the application of the said Convention to the *Land* of Berlin. In accordance with Article 25, the Swiss Government notified the accession and the declaration ¹⁾.

On notification, the following countries of the Union: Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Rumania, forwarded

¹⁾ See *Copyright*, 1966, p. 242.

to the Swiss Government their answers which can be summarized as follows: the Governments of the countries mentioned above do not recognize the competence of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany to extend the application of international agreements to West Berlin, such extension being in contradiction with the international status of West Berlin which, in their opinion, is not a part of the Federal Republic of Germany.

The full text of these answers was communicated by the Swiss Government to the countries members of the Berne Union on August 19, 1967.

UNITED KINGDOM

Application to the territory of Saint Vincent of the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works, last revised at Brussels on June 26, 1948 (with effect from November 1, 1967)

Notification of the Swiss Government to the Governments of Unionist Countries

In compliance with the instructions of the Federal Political Department, dated September 13, 1967, the Swiss Embassy has the honour to inform the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the following communication:

In a letter of August 10, 1967, Her Britannic Majesty's Embassy in Switzerland notified the Federal Political Department that the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and

Artistic Works of September 9, 1886, as revised at Brussels on June 26, 1948, is applicable to the territory of Saint Vincent. This declaration is made pursuant to Article 26, paragraph (1), of the said Convention.

In accordance with Article 25, paragraph (3), of the Convention, and upon the express request of the Government of the United Kingdom, this declaration will take effect on November 1, 1967.

This notification is made in application of Article 26, paragraph (3), of the above-mentioned Convention.