



Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management

Notes: The Convention was opened for signature on 29 September 1997 and entered into force on 18 June 2001, in accordance with Article 40, paragraph 1. For each State or regional organization depositing an instrument expressing consent to be bound after that date, the Convention enters into force on the ninetieth day after the date of such deposit, in accordance with Article 40, paragraph 2.

Parties: **91** (subject to date of entry into force)

Signatories: **42**

Last change of status: 18 June 2025

Country/Organization	Signature	Instrument	Date of deposit	Declaration etc. / Withdrawal	Entry into force
Albania		accession	29 Jun 2011	☐ ☐	27 Sep 2011
Argentina	19 Dec 1997	ratification	14 Nov 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Armenia		accession	22 May 2013	☐ ☐	20 Aug 2013
Australia	13 Nov 1998	ratification	05 Aug 2003	☐ ☐	03 Nov 2003
Austria	17 Sep 1998	ratification	13 Jun 2001	☐ ☐	11 Sep 2001
Belarus	13 Oct 1999	ratification	26 Nov 2002	☐ ☐	24 Feb 2003
Belgium	08 Dec 1997	ratification	05 Sep 2002	☐ ☐	04 Dec 2002
Benin		accession	18 Sep 2019	☐ ☐	17 Dec 2019
Bolivia, Plurinational State of		accession	16 Sep 2019	☐ ☐	15 Dec 2019
Bosnia and Herzegovina		accession	02 Aug 2012	☐ ☐	31 Oct 2012
Botswana		accession	14 Aug 2015	☐ ☐	12 Nov 2015
Brazil	31 Oct 1997	ratification	17 Feb 2006	☐ ☐	18 May 2006
Bulgaria	22 Sep 1998	ratification	21 Jun 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Canada	07 May 1998	ratification	07 May 1998	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Chile		accession	26 Sep 2011	☐ ☐	25 Dec 2011
¹ China		accession	13 Sep 2006	☒ ☐	12 Dec 2006
Congo		accession	15 Mar 2021	☐ ☐	13 Jun 2021
Croatia	09 Apr 1998	ratification	10 May 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Cuba		accession	03 Jul 2017	☐ ☐	01 Oct 2017
Cyprus		accession	21 Oct 2009	☒ ☐	19 Jan 2010
Czech Republic	30 Sep 1997	approval	25 Mar 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
² Denmark	09 Feb 1998	acceptance	03 Sep 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Eritrea		accession	13 Mar 2020	☒ ☐	11 Jun 2020
Estonia	05 Jan 2001	ratification	03 Feb 2006	☐ ☐	04 May 2006
Finland	02 Oct 1997	acceptance	10 Feb 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
France	29 Sep 1997	approval	27 Apr 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Gabon		accession	29 Apr 2010	☐ ☐	28 Jul 2010
Georgia		accession	22 Jul 2009	☐ ☐	20 Oct 2009

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Germany	01 Oct 1997	ratification	13 Oct 1998	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Ghana		accession	01 Jun 2011	☐ ☐	30 Aug 2011
Greece	09 Feb 1998	ratification	18 Jul 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Hungary	29 Sep 1997	ratification	02 Jun 1998	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Iceland		accession	27 Jan 2006	☐ ☐	27 Apr 2006
Indonesia	06 Oct 1997	ratification	01 Apr 2011	☐ ☐	30 Jun 2011
Iraq		accession	21 Nov 2023	☐ ☐	19 Feb 2024
Ireland	01 Oct 1997	ratification	20 Mar 2001	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Italy	26 Jan 1998	ratification	08 Feb 2006	☐ ☐	09 May 2006
Japan		accession	26 Aug 2003	☒ ☐	24 Nov 2003
Jordan		accession	15 Apr 2016	☐ ☐	14 Jul 2016
Kazakhstan	29 Sep 1997	ratification	10 Mar 2010	☐ ☐	08 Jun 2010
Korea, Republic of	29 Sep 1997	ratification	16 Sep 2002	☐ ☐	15 Dec 2002
Kyrgyzstan		accession	18 Dec 2006	☐ ☐	18 Mar 2007
Latvia	27 Mar 2000	acceptance	27 Mar 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Lebanon	30 Sep 1997	ratification	18 Jun 2025	☐ ☐	16 Sep 2025
Lesotho		accession	26 Sep 2016	☐ ☐	25 Dec 2016
Lithuania	30 Sep 1997	ratification	16 Mar 2004	☐ ☐	14 Jun 2004
Luxembourg	01 Oct 1997	ratification	21 Aug 2001	☐ ☐	19 Nov 2001
Madagascar		accession	03 Mar 2017	☐ ☐	01 Jun 2017
Malawi		accession	11 Feb 2022	☐ ☐	12 May 2022
Malta		accession	16 Sep 2013	☐ ☐	15 Dec 2013
Mauritania		accession	19 Sep 2011	☐ ☐	18 Dec 2011
Mauritius		accession	15 Apr 2013	☐ ☐	14 Jul 2013
Mexico		accession	16 Feb 2018	☐ ☐	17 May 2018
Montenegro		accession	09 Aug 2010	☐ ☐	07 Nov 2010
Morocco	29 Sep 1997	ratification	23 Jul 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
³ Netherlands, Kingdom of the	10 Mar 1999	acceptance	26 Apr 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Niger		accession	05 Dec 2016	☐ ☐	05 Mar 2017
Nigeria		accession	04 Apr 2007	☐ ☐	03 Jul 2007
North Macedonia		accession	31 Dec 2009	☐ ☐	31 Mar 2010
Norway	29 Sep 1997	ratification	12 Jan 1998	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Oman		accession	28 May 2013	☐ ☐	26 Aug 2013
Paraguay		accession	16 Aug 2018	☐ ☐	14 Nov 2018
Peru	04 Jun 1998	ratification	08 Feb 2016	☐ ☐	08 May 2016

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Philippines	10 Mar 1998			☐ ☐	
Poland	03 Oct 1997	ratification	05 May 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Portugal		accession	15 May 2009	☐ ☐	13 Aug 2009
Republic of Moldova		accession	23 Feb 2010	☒ ☐	24 May 2010
Romania	30 Sep 1997	ratification	06 Sep 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Russian Federation	27 Jan 1999	ratification	19 Jan 2006	☐ ☐	19 Apr 2006
Rwanda		accession	23 Sep 2021	☐ ☐	22 Dec 2021
Saudi Arabia		accession	19 Sep 2011	☐ ☐	18 Dec 2011
Senegal		accession	24 Dec 2008	☐ ☐	24 Mar 2009
Serbia		accession	18 Dec 2017	☐ ☐	18 Mar 2018
Slovakia	30 Sep 1997	ratification	06 Oct 1998	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Slovenia	29 Sep 1997	ratification	25 Feb 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
South Africa		accession	15 Nov 2006	☐ ☐	13 Feb 2007
Spain	30 Jun 1998	ratification	11 May 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Sweden	29 Sep 1997	ratification	29 Jul 1999	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Switzerland	29 Sep 1997	ratification	05 Apr 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
Syrian Arab Republic		accession	25 Nov 2021	☐ ☐	23 Feb 2022
Tajikistan		accession	12 Dec 2007	☐ ☐	11 Mar 2008
Thailand		accession	03 Jul 2018	☐ ☐	01 Oct 2018
Türkiye		accession	20 Feb 2023	☒ ☐	21 May 2023
Ukraine	29 Sep 1997	ratification	24 Jul 2000	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
United Arab Emirates		accession	31 Jul 2009	☐ ☐	29 Oct 2009
United Kingdom	29 Sep 1997	ratification	12 Mar 2001	☐ ☐	18 Jun 2001
United States of America	29 Sep 1997	ratification	15 Apr 2003	☐ ☐	14 Jul 2003
Uruguay		accession	28 Dec 2005	☐ ☐	28 Mar 2006
Uzbekistan		accession	19 Jan 2009	☐ ☐	19 Apr 2009
Viet Nam		accession	09 Oct 2013	☐ ☐	07 Jan 2014
Zimbabwe		accession	20 Sep 2021	☐ ☐	19 Dec 2021
EURATOM		accession	04 Oct 2005	☒ ☐	02 Jan 2006

- 1 The instrument of accession specifies that, unless the Government of the People's Republic of China issues a separate notice", the Convention "shall not apply to the Macao Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China." On 3 July 2007, the People's Republic of China notified the Depositary that the Convention applies to "the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region but confirmed that, "unless otherwise notified", it does not apply to the "Macao Special Administrative Region".
- 2 Upon signature and acceptance Denmark declared that: "Until further notice the Convention shall not apply to Greenland and the Faroe Islands." On 15 December 2016, Denmark notified the Depositary that is also accepted the Convention for Greenland.
- 3 The instrument specifies that acceptance is "for the Kingdom in Europe".