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## DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THE EUROPEAN TREATIES SERIES SINCE THE 41<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE CAHDI (17-18 MARCH 2011)

(Extracts from the Internet site <u>http://conventions.coe.int</u> – in reverse chronological order)

#### 9 September 2011

• **Luxembourg** ratified the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (CETS No. 201).

• Albania ratified:

. the European Convention on the Legal Status of Children Born out of Wedlock (ETS No. 85), and

. the Third Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Extradition (CETS No. 209).

#### 8 September 2011

• **Slovenia** signed the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS No. 210).

• Cyprus signed:

. the European Outline Convention on Transfrontier Co-operation between Territorial Communities or Authorities (ETS No. 106),

. the Additional Protocol to the European Outline Convention on Transfrontier Cooperation between Territorial Communities or Authorities (ETS No. 159),

. Protocol No. 2 to the European Outline Convention on Transfrontier Co-operation between Territorial Communities or Authorities concerning interterritorial co-operation (ETS No. 169),

. Protocol No. 3 to the European Outline Convention on Transfrontier Co-operation between Territorial Communities or Authorities concerning Euroregional Co-operation Groupings (ECGs) (CETS No. 206), and

. the Third Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Extradition (CETS No. 209).

## 7 September 2011

 Bosnia and Herzegovina signed and ratified the Additional Protocol to the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS No. 191).

## 6 September 2011

Slovenia ratified:

. Protocol No. 3 to the European Outline Convention on Transfrontier Co-operation between Territorial Communities or Authorities concerning Euroregional Co-operation Groupings (ECGs) (CETS No. 206), and

. the Additional Protocol to the European Charter of Local Self-Government on the right to participate in the affairs of a local authority (CETS No. 207).

#### 1 September 2011

• Entry into force of the European Convention on the Adoption of Children (Revised) (CETS No. 202).

#### 30 August 2011

• Azerbaijan ratified the European Landscape Convention (ETS No. 176).

#### 26 July 2011

• **Ireland** ratified the Second Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS No. 182).

#### 13 July 2011

• **Germany** ratified the Protocol amending the European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism (ETS No. 190).

#### 8 July 2011

- The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia":
  - . signed the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS No. 210), and
  - . ratified the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the Value of Cultural Heritage for Society (CETS No. 199).

## 7 July 2011

• **Norway** signed the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS No. 210).

## 6 July 2011

**San Marino** signed the Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region (ETS No. 165).

## 5 July 2011

• **Ukraine** signed the European Convention for the Protection of Pet Animals (ETS No. 125).

## 30 June 2011

• The **Netherlands** accepted the Council of Europe Convention on the avoidance of statelessness in relation to State succession (CETS No. 200).

▶ The **United Kingdom** ratified the Protocol amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (CETS No. 208).

Ireland signed the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (ETS No. 127), as amended by the 2010 Protocol (CETS No. 208).

## 28 June 2011

• Serbia ratified the European Landscape Convention (ETS No. 176).

#### 24 June 2011

• **Finland** accepted the Additional Protocol to the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS No. 191).

## 22 June 2011

• **Poland** ratified the Protocol amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (CETS No. 208).

#### 10 June 2011

• Germany ratified:

. the Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime, concerning the criminalisation of acts of a racist and xenophobic nature committed through computer systems (ETS No. 189), and

. the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism (CETS No. 196).

## 9 June 2011

- **Finland** accepted the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (CETS No. 201).
- Entry into force of the European Convention on Consular Functions (ETS No. 061).

## 6 June 2011

• **Tajikistan** signed the Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region (ETS No. 165).

## 1 June 2011

• **Serbia** ratified the Third Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Extradition (CETS No. 209).

▶ Entry into force of the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the Value of Cultural Heritage for Society (CETS No. 199).

• Entry into force of the Protocol amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (CETS No. 208).

## 30 May 2011

• Chile acceded to:

. the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS No. 30), . the Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS No. 99), and

. the Second Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS No. 182).

#### 27 May 2011

• **Sweden** ratified the Protocol amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (CETS No. 208).

#### 25 May 2011

The **United Kingdom** ratified the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS No. 185).

## 20 May 2011

- Austria ratified the European Social Charter (Revised) (ETS No. 163).
- **Finland** accepted the Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime, concerning the criminalisation of acts of a racist and xénophobic nature committed through computer systems (ETS No. 189).

#### 18 May 2011

• **Luxembourg** ratified the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the Value of Cultural Heritage for Society (CETS No. 199).

## 17 May 2011

• **Romania** ratified the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (CETS No. 201).

#### 16 May 2011

• **Cyprus** signed the Additional Protocol to the European Charter of Local Self-Government on the right to participate in the affairs of a local authority (CETS No. 207).

#### 11 May 2011

• Austria, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Luxembourg, Montenegro, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden and Turkey have signed the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS No. 210).

## 4 May 2011

• **Ukraine** ratified the European Convention on the Adoption of Children (Revised) (CETS No. 202).

• **Finland** signed the Additional Protocol to the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS No. 191).

#### 29 April 2011

• **Moldova** ratified the Additional Protocol to the Convention on Human Rights and Biomedicine concerning Genetic Testing for Health Purposes (CETS No. 203).

#### 20 April 2011

**Estonia** ratified the Additional Protocol to the European Charter of Local Self-Government on the right to participate in the affairs of a local authority (CETS No. 207).

#### 19 April 2011

Italy ratified the European Convention for the Protection of Pet Animals (ETS No. 125).

#### 8 April 2011

• Armenia signed:

. the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (ETS No. 108), and

. the Additional Protocol to the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data, regarding supervisory authorities and transborder data flows (ETS No. 181)

#### 4 April 2011

• **Belgium** signed the Protocol amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (CETS No. 208).

#### 31 March 2011

Spain

. ratified the European Convention on the Protection of the Archaelogical Heritage (Revised) (ETS No. 143), and

. denounced the European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage (ETS No. 66).

## 30 March 2011

• Albania signed and ratified the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Dignity of the Human Being with regard to the Application of Biology and Medicine: Convention on Human Rights and Biomedicine (ETS No. 164).

## 23 March 2011

#### Andorra

. signed the European Landscape Convention (ETS No. 176), and

. ratified:

. the European Convention on Recognition and Enforcement of Decisions concerning Custody of Children and on Restoration of Custody of Children (ETS No. 105),

. the European Charter of Local Self-Government (ETS No. 122), and . the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (CETS No. 197).

• **France** signed the Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism (CETS No. 198).

## 21 March 2011

 Hungary ratified the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism (CETS No. 196).

## 16 March 2011

• Estonia accepted the European Convention on the Abolition of Legalisation of Documents executed by Diplomatic Agents or Consular Officers (ETS No. 63).

## 11 March 2011

• **Spain** signed the Protocol amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (CETS No. 208).

## 8 March 2011

• Georgia ratified:

. the European Convention on Consular Functions (ETS No. 61), and . the Protocol to the European Convention on Consular Functions concerning the Protection of Refugees (ETS No. 61A).

## 28 February 2011

• Georgia ratified:

. the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (ETS No. 127), and

. the Protocol amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters (CETS No. 208).

#### 25 February 2011

• **Austria** ratified the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (CETS No. 201).