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DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE TREATY SERIES* SINCE THE 43rd MEETING OF THE CAHDI (29-30 MARCH 2012)

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

30 August 2012

▶ Australia ratified the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by its 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127).

27 August 2012

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

23 August 2012

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

22 August 2012

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

20 August 2012

- Belgium ratified the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS No. 185).
- Ukraine ratified:
- . the 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),
- . the Council of Europe Convention on the counterfeiting of medical products and similar crimes involving threats to public health (CETS No. 211).

26 July 2012

- Lithuania ratified:
- . the Additional Protocol to the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS No. 191),
- . the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (CETS No. 197),
- . the Council of Europe Convention on Access to Official Documents (CETS No. 205),
- . 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).

^{*} Conventions and agreements opened for signature between 1949 and 2003 were published in the "European Treaty Series" (ETS No. 001 to 193 included). Since 2004, this Series is continued by the "Council of Europe Treaty Series" (CETS No. 194 and following).

24 July 2012

Belgium signed the Council of Europe Convention on the counterfeiting of medical products and similar crimes involving threats to public health (CETS No. 211).

16 July 2012

▶ Tunisia signed the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by its 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127).

11 July 2012

• **Finland** accepted 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).

10 July 2012

▶ Ghana signed the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by its 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127).

6 July 2012

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

3 July 2012

Japan accepted the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS No. 185).

29 June 2012

- ▶ Andorra signed the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (CETS No. 201).
- ▶ **Turkey** signed the Council of Europe Convention on the counterfeiting of medical products and similar crimes involving threats to public health (CETS No. 211).
- ▶ Iceland signed the European Landscape Convention (ETS No. 176).
- the **Netherlands** accepted the European Convention on the Adoption of Children (Revised) (CETS No. 202).

25 June 2012

▶ **Belgium** signed the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the Value of Cultural Heritage for Society (CETS No. 199).

13 June 2012

Austria ratified the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS No. 185).

11 June 2012

• "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" ratified the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (CETS No. 201).

8 June 2012

- ▶ **Hungary** signed the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the Value of Cultural Heritage for Society (CETS No. 199).
- ▶ Russia signed Protocol No. 3 to the European Outline Convention on Transfrontier Cooperation between Territorial Communities or Authorities concerning Euroregional Cooperation Groupings (ECGs) (CETS No. 206).
- ▶ The **United Kingdom** signed the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS No. 210).

6 June 2012

▶ **Georgia** approved the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS No. 185).

1 June 2012

▶ Entry into force of 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).

30 May 2012

▶ **Finland** accepted the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (CETS No. 197).

23 May 2012

- Mexico 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).
- ▶ Colombia signed the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters as amended by its 2010 Protocol (ETS No. 127).
- ▶ **Slovakia** signed the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the Value of Cultural Heritage for Society (CETS No. 199).

21 May 2012

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

14 May 2012

▶ **Azerbaijan** signed the Third Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Extradition (CETS No. 209).

11 May 2012

▶ **Bulgaria** 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).

9 May 2012

- Armenia ratified:
- . 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).

2 May 2012

▶ **Luxembourg** signed the European Convention for the Protection of the Audiovisual Heritage (ETS No. 183).

1 May 2012

▶ **Entry into force** of the Third Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Extradition (CETS No. 209).

13 April 2012

▶ **Belgium** ratified Protocol No. 7 to the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (ETS No. 117).

12 April 2012

- ▶ **Turkey** signed the Additional Protocol to the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS No. 191).
- Malta ratified :
 - . the Second Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS No. 182), and
 - . the Convention on Cybercrime (ETS No. 185).

4 April 2012

- The Czech Republic :
 - . signed the Third Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Extradition (CETS No. 209), and
 - . ratified the Additional Protocol to the European Social Charter Providing for a System of Collective Complaints (ETS No. 158).

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

29 March 2012

▶ **Malta** ratified the Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS No. 99).

28 March 2012

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

26 March 2012

- Korea 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).

23 March 2012

▶ **Turkey** ratified the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism (CETS No. 196).