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### **NOTE VERBALE**

The Secretariat General of the Council of Europe (Treaty Office) presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honour to notify the following.

By the adoption of *Resolution CM/Res(2022)2 on the cessation of the membership of the Russian Federation to the Council of Europe* on 16 March 2022, at the 1428<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Ministers' Deputies, the Committee of Ministers has decided, in the context of the procedure launched under Article 8 of the Statute of the Council of Europe, that the Russian Federation ceased to be a member of the Council of Europe as from 16 March 2022. The legal and financial consequences are specified in Resolution CM/Res(2022)3 adopted on 23 March 2022, at the 1429<sup>bis</sup> meeting of the Ministers' Deputies.

Consequently, as from 16 March 2022:

1. the Russian Federation ceased to be a Contracting Party to the following conventions and protocols concluded in the framework of the Council of Europe that are only open to member States of the Organisation:

- the Statute of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 1);
- the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 2) (\*);
- the Additional Protocol to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 10);
- the Sixth Additional Protocol to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 162) (\*);
- the European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism (ETS No. 90);
- the European Charter of Local Self-Government (ETS No. 122);
- the European Social Charter (revised) (ETS No. 163);
- the Protocol amending the European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism (ETS No. 190).

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\* This is without prejudice to the fact that the Russian Federation shall cease to be a High Contracting Party to the European Convention on Human Rights on 16 September 2022.

2. The Russian Federation's signature of the following conventions and protocols, signed before it ceased to be a member State of the Council of Europe, is considered to be suspended:

- the European Convention on the Control of the Acquisition and Possession of Firearms by Individuals (ETS No. 101);
- the European Convention on Transfrontier Television (ETS No. 132);
- the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages (ETS No. 148);
- the European Convention on the Exercise of Children's Rights (ETS No. 160);
- the European Convention on Nationality (ETS No. 166);
- the European Convention on the Legal Protection of Services based on, or consisting of, Conditional Access (ETS No. 178);
- 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);
- the Additional Protocol to the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption (ETS No. 191);
- the Council of Europe Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions (CETS No. 215);
- the Council of Europe Convention against Trafficking in Human Organs (CETS No. 216);
- the Council of Europe Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property (CETS No. 221);
- the Protocol amending the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (CETS No. 223).

The Secretariat General of the Council of Europe (Treaty Office) avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry the assurances of its highest consideration.



Note to all member States and to the non-member States of the Council of Europe Parties to the conventions and protocols concerned: Argentina, Belarus, Cabo Verde, Costa Rica, Holy See, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Senegal, Tunisia, Uruguay.  
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