



## **Convention on the Liability of Hotel-keepers concerning the Property of their Guests**

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### **Annex**

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#### **Article 1**

- 1 A hotel-keeper shall be liable for any damage to or destruction or loss of property brought to the hotel by any guest who stays at the hotel and has sleeping accommodation put at his disposal.
- 2 Any property:
  - a which is at the hotel during the time when the guest has the accommodation at his disposal;
  - b of which the hotel-keeper or a person for whom he is responsible takes charge outside the hotel during the period for which the guest has the accommodation at his disposal; or
  - c of which the hotel-keeper or a person for whom he is responsible takes charge whether at the hotel or outside it during a reasonable period preceding or following the time when the guest has the accommodation at his disposal;shall be deemed to be property brought to the hotel.
- 3 The liability shall be limited to the equivalent of 3 000 gold francs.
- 4 The gold franc mentioned in the preceding paragraph refers to a unit consisting of sixty-five and a half milligrammes of gold of millesimal fineness nine hundred.

#### **Article 2**

- 1 The liability of a hotel-keeper shall be unlimited:
  - a where the property has been deposited with him;
  - b where he has refused to receive property which he is bound to receive for safe custody.
- 2 A hotel-keeper shall be bound to receive securities, money and valuable articles; he may only refuse to receive such property if it is dangerous or if, having regard to the size or standing of the hotel, it is of excessive value or cumbersome.
- 3 A hotel-keeper shall have the right to require that the article shall be in a fastened or sealed container.

**Article 3**

A hotel-keeper shall not be liable in so far as the damage, destruction or loss is due:

- a to the guest or any person accompanying him or in his employment or any person visiting him;
- b to an unforeseeable and irresistible act of nature or an act of war;
- c to the nature of the article.

**Article 4**

The hotel-keeper shall be liable and shall not have the benefit of the limitation on his liability laid down in paragraph 3 of Article 1 of this annex where the damage, destruction or loss is caused by a wilful act or omission or negligence, on his part or on the part of any person for whose actions he is responsible.

**Article 5**

Except in any case to which Article 4 of this Annex applies, the guest shall cease to be entitled to the benefit of these provisions if after discovering the damage, destruction or loss he does not inform the hotel-keeper without undue delay.

**Article 6**

Any notice or agreement purporting to exclude or diminish the hotel-keeper's liability given or made before the damage, destruction or loss has occurred shall be null and void.

**Article 7**

The provisions of this Annex shall not apply to vehicles, any property left with a vehicle, or live animals