STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 2030

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS

The Child Abduction and Custody (Parties to Conventions) (Amendment) Order 1999

Made - - - - 21st July 1999

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 21st day of July 1999

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by sections 2 and 13 of the Child Abduction and Custody Act 1985**(a)**, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Child Abduction and Custody (Parties to Conventions) (Amendment) Order 1999.

2. The Child Abduction and Custody (Parties to Conventions) (Amendment) Order 1998**(b)** is revoked.

3. The Child Abduction and Custody (Parties to Conventions) Order 1986**(c)** is amended by deleting Schedules 1 and 2 and substituting therefore Schedules 1 and 2 which are set out in the Schedule to this Order.

A. K. Galloway
Clerk of the Privy Council

(a) 1985 c. 60.
(b) S.I. 1998/256.
(c) S.I. 1986/1159.

SCHEDULE Article 3

“ SCHEDULE 1 Article 2

CONVENTION ON THE CIVIL ASPECTS OF INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION, THE HAGUE, 25th OCTOBER 1980

Contracting States to the Convention	*Territories specified in Declarations under Article 39 or 40 of the Convention*	*Date of Coming into Force of Convention as between the United Kingdom and the State or Territory*
Argentina	—	1st June 1991
Australia	Australian States and mainland Territories	1st January 1987
Austria	—	1st October 1988
The Bahamas	—	1st January 1994
Belgium	—	1st May 1999
Belize	—	1st October 1989
Bosnia and Herzegovina	—	7th April 1992
Burkina	—	1st August 1992
Canada	Ontario	1st August 1986
	New Brunswick	1st August 1986
	British Columbia	1st August 1986
	Manitoba	1st August 1986
	Nova Scotia	1st August 1986
	Newfoundland	1st August 1986
	Prince Edward Island	1st August 1986
	Quebec	1st August 1986
	Yukon Territory	1st August 1986
	Saskatchewan	1st November 1986
	Alberta	1st February 1987
	Northwest Territories	1st April 1988
Chile	—	1st May 1994
China	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	1st September 1997
Colombia	—	1st March 1996
Croatia	—	1st December 1991
Cyprus	—	1st February 1995
Czech Republic	—	1st March 1998
Denmark	—	1st July 1991
Ecuador	—	1st April 1992
Federal Republic of Yugoslavia	—	27th April 1992
Finland	—	1st August 1994
France	—	1st August 1986
Georgia	—	1st October 1997
Germany	—	1st December 1990
Greece	—	1st June 1993
Honduras	—	1st March 1994
Hungary	—	1st September 1986
Iceland	—	1st November 1996
Republic of Ireland	—	1st October 1991

Contracting States to the Convention	*Territories specified in Declarations under Article 39 or 40 of the Convention*	*Date of Coming into Force of Convention as between the United Kingdom and the State or Territory*
Israel	—	1st December 1991
Italy	—	1st May 1995
Luxembourg	—	1st January 1987
Macedonia	—	1st December 1991
Mauritius	—	1st June 1993
Mexico	—	1st September 1991
Monaco	—	1st February 1993
Netherlands	—	1st September 1990
New Zealand	—	1st August 1991
Norway	—	1st April 1989
Panama	—	1st May 1994
Poland	—	1st November 1992
Portugal	—	1st August 1986
Romania	—	1st February 1993
St Kitts and Nevis	—	1st August 1994
Slovenia	—	1st June 1994
South Africa	—	1st October 1997
Spain	—	1st September 1987
Sweden	—	1st June 1989
Switzerland	—	1st August 1986
Turkmenistan	—	1st March 1998
United States	—	1st July 1988
Venezuela	—	1st January 1997
Zimbabwe	—	1st July 1995

SCHEDULE 2

Article 3

EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF DECISIONS CONCERNING CUSTODY OF CHILDREN AND ON THE RESTORATION OF CUSTODY OF CHILDREN, LUXEMBOURG, 20th MAY 1980

Contracting States to the Convention	*Territories specified in Declarations under Article 24 or 25 of the Convention*	*Date of Coming into Force of Convention as between the United Kingdom and the State or Territory*
Austria	—	1st August 1986
Belgium	—	1st August 1986
Cyprus	—	1st October 1986
Denmark	—	1st August 1991
Finland	—	1st August 1994
France	—	1st August 1986
Germany	—	1st February 1991
Greece	—	1st July 1993
Iceland	—	1st November 1996
The Republic of Ireland	—	1st October 1991
Italy	—	1st June 1995

Contracting States to the Convention	*Territories specified in Declarations under Article 24 or 25 of the Convention*	*Date of Coming into Force of Convention as between the United Kingdom and the State or Territory*
Liechtenstein	—	1st August 1997
Luxembourg	—	1st August 1986
Netherlands	—	1st September 1990
Norway	—	1st May 1989
Poland	—	1st March 1996
Portugal	—	1st August 1986
Spain	—	1st August 1986
Sweden	—	1st July 1989
Switzerland	—	1st August 1986

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Child Abduction and Custody (Parties to Conventions) Order 1986. It adds Belgium and, in respect of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, China to the list of Contracting States to the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, done at The Hague on 25th October 1980 (Cm. 33).

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