

## CERTIFICATE

THE UNDERSIGNED, Christophe Bernasconi, Secretary General of the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH);

WITH REFERENCE to Focused Circular No 27(24), dated 26 March 2024, by which the Member States of the HCCH were invited to cast their votes before 26 September 2024, in accordance with Article 2 of the HCCH's Statute, on the proposal made by the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands for the admission of the **Kingdom of Bahrain** as a Member of the HCCH;

HAVING NOTED the votes cast by Member States within the deadline mentioned above, and

WHEREAS the following Member States (32) have cast a vote favourable to the admission of the **Kingdom of Bahrain** as a future Member of the HCCH:

Andorra	Egypt	New Zealand
Australia	Finland	Norway
Belarus	France	Portugal
Belgium	Greece	Singapore
Brazil	India	Slovakia
Canada	Ireland	Spain
Chile	Japan	Switzerland
China	Mexico	Tunisia
Costa Rica	Monaco	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Croatia	Morocco	Viet Nam
Czech Republic	Netherlands (The)	

WHEREAS no Member State has cast a vote against the admission within the period of time provided;

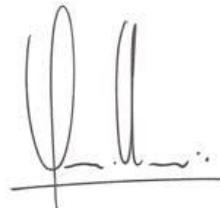
DETERMINES that the majority required in Article 2(2) of the HCCH's Statute has voted in favour of the admission of the **Kingdom of Bahrain** as a future Member of the HCCH.

CONSEQUENTLY, the **Kingdom of Bahrain** has been invited to deposit the instrument of acceptance to become a Member of the HCCH.

IN WITNESS THEREOF this certificate has been drawn up and signed, today 27 September 2024.

DONE AT THE HAGUE, 27 September 2024

The Secretary General



Dr Christophe Bernasconi