

CERTIFICATE

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

WITH REFERENCE to Focused Circular No 56(23), dated 6 October 2023, by which the Member States of the HCCH were invited to cast their votes before 6 April 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 **Republic of Rwanda** 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 (29) have cast a vote favourable to the admission of the **Republic of Rwanda** as a future Member of the HCCH:

Andorra France Netherlands (The) Singapore Australia Germany Belgium South Africa Greece Brazil India Sweden Canada Ireland Switzerland Chile Italy Tunisia China Japan Ukraine

Czech RepublicMexicoUnited Kingdom of GreatEl SalvadorMonacoBritain and Northern Ireland

Finland Morocco Viet Nam

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 **Republic of Rwanda** as a future Member of the HCCH.

CONSEQUENTLY, the **Republic of Rwanda** 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 8 April 2024.

DONE AT THE HAGUE, 8 April 2024

The Secretary General

Dr Christophe Bernasconi