

WPPT Notification No. 114

WIPO PERFORMANCES AND PHONOGRAMS TREATY

Declaration by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

The Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) presents his compliments and has the honor to refer to the deposit by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, on December 14, 2009, of its instrument of ratification of the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, adopted at Geneva on December 20, 1996. (See WPPT Notification No°78, dated December 14, 2009, for ease reference.)

In this respect, the Director General of WIPO has the honor to notify that the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has deposited, on March 31, 2025, the following declaration:

- “In accordance with Article 3(3), the United Kingdom will not apply the criterion of fixation.
- This declaration is made in respect of the United Kingdom and the territories of the Isle of Man and Gibraltar.”

The said declaration will enter into force on July 1, 2025.

March 31, 2025



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### Status on March 31, 2025

State/IGO	Date on which State/IGO became party to the Treaty	State/IGO	Date on which State/IGO became party to the Treaty
Afghanistan.....	February 9, 2021	Kyrgyzstan.....	August 15, 2002
Albania.....	May 20, 2002	Latvia.....	May 20, 2002
Algeria.....	January 31, 2014	Liechtenstein.....	April 30, 2007
Argentina.....	May 20, 2002	Lithuania.....	May 20, 2002
Armenia.....	March 6, 2005	Luxembourg.....	March 14, 2010
Australia <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	July 26, 2007	Madagascar.....	February 24, 2015
Austria.....	March 14, 2010	Malaysia.....	December 27, 2012
Azerbaijan.....	April 11, 2006	Mali.....	May 20, 2002
Bahrain.....	December 15, 2005	Malta.....	March 14, 2010
Barbados.....	December 13, 2019	Mexico.....	May 20, 2002
Belarus.....	May 20, 2002	Mongolia.....	October 25, 2002
Belgium.....	August 30, 2006 <sup>2</sup>	Montenegro.....	June 3, 2006
Belize.....	February 9, 2019	Morocco.....	July 20, 2011
Benin.....	April 16, 2006	Netherlands (Kingdom of the).....	March 14, 2010
Bosnia and Herzegovina.....	November 25, 2009	New Zealand <sup>15, 16</sup> .....	March 17, 2019
Botswana.....	January 27, 2005	Nicaragua.....	March 6, 2003
Brunei Darussalam.....	May 2, 2017	Nigeria.....	January 4, 2018
Bulgaria.....	May 20, 2002	North Macedonia.....	March 20, 2005 <sup>2, 17</sup>
Burkina Faso.....	May 20, 2002	Oman.....	September 20, 2005
Cabo Verde.....	May 22, 2019	Panama.....	May 20, 2002
Cameroon.....	April 9, 2025	Paraguay.....	May 20, 2002
Canada <sup>3, 4, 5</sup> .....	August 13, 2014	Peru.....	July 18, 2002
Chile <sup>6</sup> .....	May 20, 2002	Philippines.....	October 4, 2002
China <sup>7, 8, 9</sup> .....	June 9, 2007	Poland.....	October 21, 2003
Colombia.....	May 20, 2002	Portugal.....	March 14, 2010
Comoros.....	April 25, 2021	Qatar.....	October 28, 2005
Cook Islands.....	June 19, 2019	Republic of Korea.....	March 18, 2009 <sup>2, 18, 19</sup>
Costa Rica.....	May 20, 2002	Republic of Moldova.....	May 20, 2002
Croatia.....	May 20, 2002	Romania.....	May 20, 2002
Cyprus.....	December 2, 2005	Russian Federation <sup>20</sup> .....	February 5, 2009
Czech Republic.....	May 20, 2002	Saint Kitts and Nevis.....	October 8, 2024
Denmark <sup>2, 10</sup> .....	March 14, 2010	Saint Lucia.....	May 20, 2002
Dominican Republic.....	January 10, 2006	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.....	February 12, 2011
Ecuador.....	May 20, 2002	San Marino.....	September 2, 2020
El Salvador.....	May 20, 2002	Sao Tome and Principe.....	April 27, 2020
Estonia.....	March 14, 2010	Senegal.....	May 20, 2002
European Union.....	March 14, 2010	Serbia <sup>21</sup> .....	June 13, 2003
Finland <sup>11</sup> .....	March 14, 2010	Singapore.....	April 17, 2005 <sup>22</sup>
France <sup>2</sup> .....	March 14, 2010	Slovakia.....	May 20, 2002
Gabon.....	May 20, 2002	Slovenia.....	May 20, 2002
Georgia.....	May 20, 2002	Spain.....	March 14, 2010
Germany.....	March 14, 2010 <sup>24</sup>	Sweden <sup>23</sup> .....	March 14, 2010
Ghana.....	February 16, 2013	Switzerland.....	July 1, 2008 <sup>24</sup>
Greece.....	March 14, 2010	Tajikistan.....	August 24, 2011
Guatemala.....	January 8, 2003	Togo.....	May 21, 2003
Guinea.....	May 25, 2002	Trinidad and Tobago.....	November 28, 2008
Honduras.....	May 20, 2002	Tunisia.....	June 16, 2023
Hungary.....	May 20, 2002	Türkiye.....	November 28, 2008
India <sup>12, 13</sup> .....	December 25, 2018	Uganda.....	April 28, 2022
Indonesia.....	February 15, 2005	Ukraine.....	May 20, 2002
Ireland.....	March 14, 2010	United Arab Emirates.....	June 9, 2005
Italy.....	March 14, 2010	United Kingdom <sup>25, 26, 27</sup> .....	March 14, 2010
Jamaica.....	June 12, 2002	United States of America.....	May 20, 2002 <sup>28</sup>
Japan.....	October 9, 2002 <sup>2, 14</sup>	Uruguay.....	August 28, 2008
Jordan.....	May 24, 2004	Uzbekistan.....	July 17, 2019
Kazakhstan.....	November 12, 2004	Vanuatu.....	August 6, 2020
Kiribati.....	June 22, 2021	Viet Nam <sup>29</sup> .....	July 1, 2022

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- <sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3), Australia will not apply the provisions of Article 15(1) in respect of:
- (a) the use of phonograms for (i) radio broadcasting, and (ii) radio communication to the public within the meaning of the first sentence of Article 2(g), and
  - (b) the communication to the public of phonograms by way of making the sounds of the phonograms audible to the public by means of the operation of equipment to receive a broadcast or other transmission of the phonograms.
- <sup>2</sup> In accordance with Article 3(3) of the Treaty, this State has declared that it will not apply the criterion of publication concerning the protection of phonograms.
- <sup>3</sup> Pursuant to Article 3(3) of the Treaty, Canada will not apply the criterion of fixation with regard to exclusive rights of producers of phonograms.
- <sup>4</sup> Pursuant to Article 3(3) of the Treaty, Canada will not apply the criterion of publication with regard to the remuneration right of Article 15(1) of the Treaty.
- <sup>5</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3) of the Treaty, Canada will not apply Article 15(1) of the Treaty with regard to the retransmission of phonograms.
- <sup>6</sup> Pursuant to Article 15, paragraph 3 of the Treaty, the Republic of Chile will apply the provisions of Article 15, paragraph 1 of the Treaty only in respect of direct uses of phonograms published for commercial purposes for broadcasting or for any communication to the public. Pursuant to Article 15, paragraph 3 of the Treaty, as regards phonograms the producer or performer of which is a national of another Contracting Party which has made a declaration under Article 15, paragraph 3 of the Treaty, the Republic of Chile will apply, notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding declaration, the provisions of Article 15, paragraph 1 of the Treaty to the extent that Party grants the protection provided for by the provisions of Article 15, paragraph 1 of the Treaty.
- <sup>7</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3) of the Treaty, the People's Republic of China will not apply the provisions of Article 15(1).
- <sup>8</sup> In accordance with the Basic Law of Hong Kong, China, the Government of the People's Republic of China has decided that the Treaty will apply to Hong Kong, China, with effect from October 1, 2008. Hong Kong, China, does not consider itself bound by Article 15(1) of the Treaty with regard to the right of the performers. With respect to the right of the producers of phonograms stipulated in Article 15(1) of the Treaty, relevant laws of Hong Kong, China shall apply.
- <sup>9</sup> In accordance with the Basic Law of the Macao, China, the Government of the People's Republic of China decides that the Treaty shall apply to Macao, China. Macao, China, shall not be bound by Article 15(1) of the Treaty with regard to the right of producers of phonograms. With respect to the right of performers stipulated in Article 15(1) of the Treaty, relevant laws of Macao, China, shall apply.
- <sup>10</sup> Applicable to the Faroe Islands as of April 30, 2018.
- <sup>11</sup> Pursuant to Article 3(3) of the Treaty the Republic of Finland, availing itself of the possibilities provided in Article 5(3) of the Rome Convention, declares that it will not apply the criterion of publication.
- <sup>12</sup> In accordance with Article 3(3) of the Treaty, the Republic of India availing itself of the possibilities provided in Article 5(3) of the Rome Convention, will not apply the criterion of fixation while granting national treatment to phonograms producers.
- <sup>13</sup> In accordance with Article 15(3) of the Treaty, the Republic of India will not apply the provisions of Article 15(1) relating to a single equitable remuneration for performers and producers of phonograms.
- <sup>14</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3) Japan will apply, as regards phonograms the producer of which is a national of another Contracting Party, the provisions of Article 15(1) to the extent that Contracting Party grants the protection provided for by these provisions; Japan will apply the provisions of Article 15(1) in respect of the direct or indirect use of the phonograms published for commercial purposes for broadcasting, cablecasting or "automatic public transmission of unfixed information"; and in respect of the direct or indirect use of phonograms made available to the public, by wire or wireless means, in such a way that members of the public may access them from a place and at a time individually chosen by them for broadcasting, cablecasting (wire diffusion) or "automatic public transmission of unfixed information".
- <sup>15</sup> In accordance with Article 15(3) of the Treaty, the provision of Article 15(1) will not be applied in New Zealand.
- <sup>16</sup> The accession by New Zealand shall extend to Tokelau.
- <sup>17</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3) of the WPPT, the Republic of Macedonia does not apply the provision on single equitable remuneration for the performers and for the phonogram producers for direct or indirect use of phonograms published for commercial purposes for broadcasting or for any other communication to the public, in relation to the expressed reservation of the then former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia on Article 16 (1)(a)(i) of the Rome Convention.
- <sup>18</sup> In accordance with Article 15(3) of the Treaty, the Republic of Korea will apply the provision of Article 15(1) thereof in respect of the use of phonograms published for commercial purposes for broadcasting or transmission by wire. Transmission by wire does not include transmission over the Internet.
- <sup>19</sup> In accordance with 15(3) of the Treaty, as regards phonograms the producer or performer of which is a national of another Contracting Party which has made a declaration under Article 15(3) thereof, the Republic of Korea will apply the provisions of Article 15(1) thereof to the extent to which, and to the term for which, the other Contracting Party grants protection to phonograms the producer or performer of which is a national of the Republic of Korea under the provisions of Article 15(1) thereof.
- <sup>20</sup> In accordance with Article 15(3) of the WPPT, the Russian Federation shall not apply the provisions of Article 15(1) of the said Treaty in relation to phonograms, the producer of which is not a citizen or legal person of another Contracting Party; shall limit the protection granted, in accordance with Article 15(1) of the WPPT, in relation to phonograms, the producer of which is a citizen or legal person of another Contracting Party, within the scope and on the conditions provided for by this Contracting Party for phonograms first recorded by a citizen or legal person of the Russian Federation; and
- In accordance with Article 3(3) of the WPPT, the Russian Federation notifies that when it acceded to the International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations (Rome Convention) of October 26, 1961, the Russian Federation in accordance with Article 5(3) of the Rome Convention, declared that it shall not apply the fixation criterion provided for in Article 5(1)(b) of the Rome Convention.

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- <sup>21</sup> Serbia is the continuing State from Serbia and Montenegro as from June 3, 2006.
- <sup>22</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3), Singapore will limit the provisions of Article 15(1) in the following ways: (i) Producers of phonograms have the exclusive right to make available to the public a sound recording by means of, or as part of, a digital audio transmission; and (ii) Performers can bring an action of unauthorized communication of a live performance to the public (on a network or otherwise) in such a way that the recording may be accessed by any person from a place and at a time chosen by him. In this context, “communication” includes broadcasting, inclusion in a cable programme service and the making available of the live performance in such a way that the performance may be accessed by any person from a place and at a time chosen by him.
- <sup>23</sup> In accordance with Article 3(3) of WPPT, the Kingdom of Sweden has declared that it will not apply the criterion of publication, with the exception of the reproduction right for phonogram producers.
- <sup>24</sup> In accordance with Article 3(3) of the Treaty, this State has declared that it will not apply the criterion of fixation concerning the protection of phonograms.
- <sup>25</sup> The United Kingdom extended the application of the Treaty to the territories of the Bailiwick of Guernsey and the Isle of Man with effect from January 1, 2021.
- <sup>26</sup> The United Kingdom extended the application of the Treaty to the territory of Gibraltar with effect from May 17, 2022.
- <sup>27</sup> In accordance with Article 3(3) of the Treaty, the United Kingdom has declared that it will not apply the criterion of fixation. This declaration is made in respect of the United Kingdom and the territories of the Isle of Man and Gibraltar.
- <sup>28</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3) of the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, the United States will apply the provisions of Article 15(1) of the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty only in respect of certain acts of broadcasting and communication to the public by digital means for which a direct or indirect fee is charged for reception, and for other retransmissions and digital phonorecord deliveries, as provided under the United States law.
- <sup>29</sup> Pursuant to Article 15(3) of the Treaty, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam declares to apply Article 15(1) in specific cases as provided for in the Law on Intellectual Property of Viet Nam and its implementing documents.