

## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS THE HAGUE

CONVENTIONS CONCLUDED AT THE HAGUE ON 18 OCTOBER 1907 DURING THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE OF 1907

## **Notification**

Convention for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes (The Hague, 18 October 1907)

## COMMUNICATION

Canada, 26-01-2016

The Embassy of Canada reiterates Canada's support for the Convention and commitment to the peaceful settlement of disputes in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

The Embassy notes that the communication by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs was made in its capacity as Depositary for the Convention for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes. While the role of the Depositary is only technical and administrative in nature, the Embassy of Canada notes that 'Palestine' does not meet the criteria of a state under international law. is not a member of the United Nations, and is not recognized by Canada as a state. Therefore, in order to avoid confusion, the Embassy of Canada wishes to note its position that in the context of the purported Palestinian accession to the Convention for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes, 'Palestine' is not able to accede to this Convention, and that the Convention for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes does not enter into force, or have an effect on Canada's treaty relations, with respect to the 'State of Palestine'.

The Hague, 2 February 2016

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