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CONVENTION ABOLISHING THE REQUIREMENT OF LEGALISATION  
FOR FOREIGN PUBLIC DOCUMENTS  
(The Hague, 5 October 1961)

Notification pursuant to Article 15 of the Convention

**OBJECTION**

**Moldova**, 24-02-2016

In accordance with Article 12 of the above mentioned Convention only states may accede to it. The Republic of Moldova has not recognized the unilaterally declared independence of Kosovo and hereby raises an objection, according to Article 12 of the Convention, to the accession of Kosovo to it and understands that, in accordance with the said Article, the Convention will not enter into force between Kosovo and the Republic of Moldova.

The Republic of Moldova specifies that the designation Kosovo is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

The Hague, 11 March 2016

The Depositary Notifications are accessible on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands at <https://treatydatabase.overheid.nl>

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