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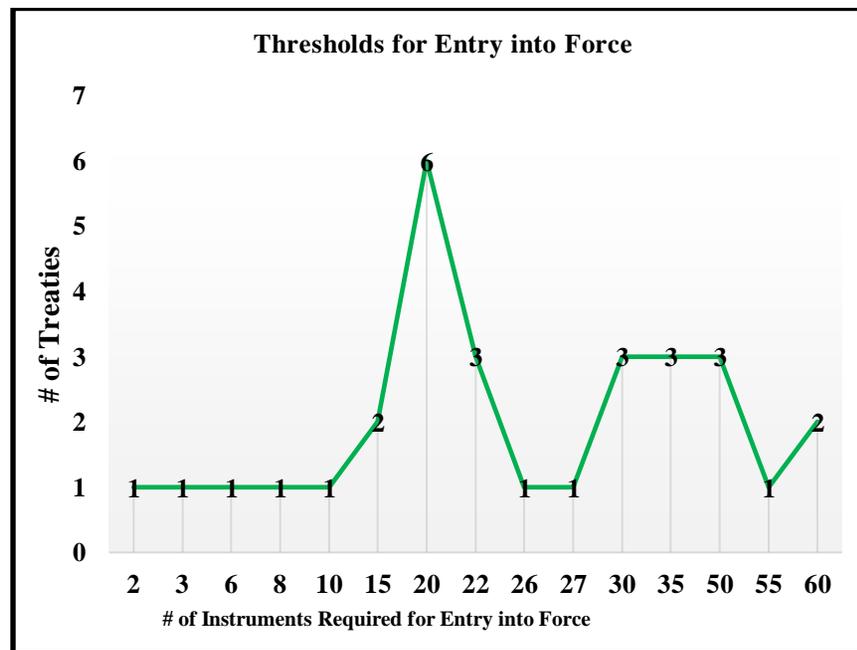
**PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
PRIVILEGED ATTORNEY-CLIENT INFORMATION**

To: The High Seas Alliance
 From: The Withers Team
 Date: February 28, 2020
 Re: **Survey of Treaty Provisions on Entry into Force**

This chart surveys thirty international agreements consisting of multilateral environmental agreements (“MEAs”), general public international law agreements, international criminal law agreements, and international human rights agreements, and excerpts their respective entry into force provisions.

Of these thirty agreements, a plurality required twenty instruments for entry into force: (1) the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, (2) the Basel Convention, (3) the Genocide Convention, (4) the Convention Against Torture, (5) CEDAW, and (6) the Convention on the Rights of the Child. The majority of the agreements (seven MEAs and twelve others) required between fifteen and thirty-five instruments for entry into force.

Notably, there was significant variation among the fifteen surveyed MEAs. Five MEAs required fifty or more instruments for entry into force (UNCLOS (60), the Kyoto Protocol (55), UNFCCC (50), the Cartagena Protocol (50), and the Nagoya Protocol (50)).



Seven other MEAs required between fifteen and thirty instruments: (1) the Bonn Convention (15), (2) the London Convention (15), (3) the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer (20), (4) the Basel Convention (20), (5) Convention on Fishing and Conservation of the Living Resources of the High Seas (22), (6) the UN Fish Stocks Agreement (30), and (7) the Convention on Biological Diversity (30)). The Whaling Convention and CCAMLR required only six and eight instruments, respectively, but are relative outliers, with the Whaling Convention containing very specific entry into force requirements and CCAMLR having restricted regional application. Excluding these agreements, CITES had the lowest threshold for entry into force, requiring only ten instruments.

The agreements predominantly entered into force on the thirtieth day (thirteen agreements)¹ or the ninetieth day (twelve agreements)² after deposit of the last instrument. The outliers consisted of (1) the Whaling Convention (ostensible immediate entry into force upon the sixth instrument); (2) the Rome Statute (sixtieth day); (3) the Bonn Convention (first day of the third month); (4) the Geneva Convention (six months); and (5) UNCLOS (twelve months). Notably, among the fifteen MEAs, eight provided for entry into force on the ninetieth day following deposit of the last instrument, while four provided for entry into force on the thirtieth day.

The draft BBNJ Treaty's provision most closely matches that of the UN Fish Stocks Agreement, which entered into force on the thirtieth day after the deposit of the thirtieth instrument. Very similar entry into force provisions appear in other agreements as well, including the London Convention, the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, the Rome Statute, and all of the human rights agreements.

For the BBNJ Treaty, the desired number of instruments for entry into force ultimately will depend on whether it is preferable to incentivize wider application of the BBNJ Treaty, thus requiring more instruments prior to entry into force, or whether it is preferable to make sure that the Treaty enters into force as quickly as possible. However, several instruments with relatively low entry into force thresholds have been successful in achieving a high party count.³

Based on the prevalent practice in the surveyed agreements, we recommend that the BBNJ Treaty require between fifteen and thirty-five instruments for entry into force, with entry into force occurring thirty days following the deposit of the last instrument. However, there is support for an even lower entry into force threshold of ten instruments if that is preferable.

¹ (1) The UN Fish Stocks Agreement; (2) the Convention on Fishing and Conservation of the Living Resources of the High Seas; (3) the London Convention; (4) CCAMLR; (5) the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties; (6) the UN Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities; (7) the Convention on International Civil Aviation; (8) the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations; (9) the Convention for the Suppression of Terrorism Financing; (10) the Convention Against Torture; (11) CEDAW; (12) the Convention on the Rights of the Child; and (13) the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

² (1) The Convention on Biological Diversity; (2) the Cartagena Protocol; (3) the Nagoya Protocol; (4) CITES; (5) the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer; (6) the Basel Convention; (7) the UNFCCC; (8) the Kyoto Protocol; (9) the New York Convention; (10) the Genocide Convention; (11) the ICCPR (three months); and (12) the ICESCR (three months).

³ This includes (1) the UN Fish Stock Agreement (90 parties, entry into force in approximately six years); (2) the London Convention (87 parties, entry into force in approximately three years); (3) the Bonn Convention (130 parties entry into force in approximately four years); (4) CITES (183 parties, entry into force in approximately two years); (5) the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer (198 parties, entry into force in approximately three and a half years); and (6) the Basel Convention (187 parties, entry into force in approximately three years).

	Treaty ⁴	Provision
1	The Draft BBNJ Treaty	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 61 Entry into force</p> <p>[1. This Agreement shall enter into force [30] days after the date of deposit of the [...] instrument of ratification, approval, acceptance or accession.]</p> <p>[2. For each State or entity that ratifies, approves or accepts the Agreement or accedes thereto after the deposit of the [...] instrument of ratification, approval, acceptance or accession, this Agreement shall enter into force on the [thirtieth] day following the deposit of its instrument of ratification, approval, acceptance or accession.]</p>
2	<p>UN Convention on the Law of the Sea</p> <p>(168 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 10 December 1982</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 16 November 1994</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 308 Entry into force</p> <p>1. This Convention shall enter into force 12 months after the date of deposit of the sixtieth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying or acceding to this Convention after the deposit of the sixtieth instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the deposit of its instrument of ratification or accession, subject to paragraph 1.</p> <p>3. The Assembly of the Authority shall meet on the date of entry into force of this Convention and shall elect the Council of the Authority. The first Council shall be constituted in a manner consistent with the purpose of article 161 if the provisions of that article cannot be strictly applied.</p> <p>4. The rules, regulations and procedures drafted by the Preparatory Commission shall apply provisionally pending their formal adoption by the Authority in accordance with Part XI.</p> <p>5. The Authority and its organs shall act in accordance with resolution II of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea relating to preparatory investment and with decisions of the Preparatory Commission taken pursuant to that resolution.</p>

⁴ Color-coding designations: **MEAs**, **general public international law agreements**, **international criminal law agreements**, **international human rights agreements**

<p>3 UN Fish Stocks Agreement (90 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 4 August 1995 <u>Effective</u> 11 December 2001</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 40 Entry into force</p> <p>1. This Agreement shall enter into force 30 days after the date of deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State or entity which ratifies the Agreement or accedes thereto after the deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification or accession, this Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the deposit of its instrument of ratification or accession.</p>
<p>4 Convention on Biological Diversity (193 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 5 June 1992 <u>Effective</u> 29 December 1993</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 36 Entry Into Force</p> <p>1. This Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p> <p>2. Any protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the number of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, specified in that protocol, has been deposited.</p> <p>3. For each Contracting Party which ratifies, accepts or approves this Convention or accedes thereto 'after the deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, it shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit by such Contracting Party of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p> <p>4. Any protocol, except as otherwise provided in such protocol, shall enter into force for a Contracting Party that ratifies, accepts or approves that protocol or accedes thereto after its entry into force pursuant to paragraph 2 above, on the ninetieth day after the date on which that Contracting Party deposits its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, or on the date on which this Convention enters into force for that Contracting Party, whichever shall be the later.</p> <p>5. For the purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, any instrument deposited by a regional economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by member States of such organization.</p>

<p>5</p>	<p>Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (172 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 29 January 2000 <u>Effective</u> 11 September 2003</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 37 Entry Into Force</p> <p>1. This Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the fiftieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession by States or regional economic integration organizations that are Parties to the Convention.</p> <p>2. This Protocol shall enter into force for a State or regional economic integration organization that ratifies, accepts or approves this Protocol or accedes thereto after its entry into force pursuant to paragraph 1 above, on the ninetieth day after the date on which that State or regional economic integration organization deposits its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, or on the date on which the Convention enters into force for that State or regional economic integration organization, whichever shall be the later.</p> <p>3. For the purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, any instrument deposited by a regional economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by member States of such organization.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Nagoya Protocol (123 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 29 October 2010 <u>Effective</u> 12 October 2014</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 33 ENTRY INTO FORCE</p> <p>1. This Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the fiftieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession by States or regional economic integration organizations that are Parties to the Convention.</p> <p>2. This Protocol shall enter into force for a State or regional economic integration organization that ratifies, accepts or approves this Protocol or accedes thereto after the deposit of the fiftieth instrument as referred to in paragraph 1 above, on the ninetieth day after the date on which that State or regional economic integration organization deposits its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, or on the date on which the Convention enters into force for that State or regional economic integration organization, whichever shall be the later.</p>

		3. For the purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, any instrument deposited by a regional economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by member States of such organization.
7	Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention) (130 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 6 November 1979 <u>Effective</u> 1 November 1983	<p style="text-align: center;">Article XVIII Entry into Force</p> <p>1. This Convention shall enter into force on the first day of the third month following the date of deposit of the fifteenth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Depositary.</p> <p>2. For each State or each regional economic integration organization which ratifies, accepts or approves this Convention or accedes thereto after the deposit of the fifteenth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, this Convention shall enter into force on the first day of the third month following the deposit by such State or such organization of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p>
8	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) (183 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 3 March 1973 <u>Effective</u> 1 July 1975	<p style="text-align: center;">Article XXII Entry into force</p> <p>1. The present Convention shall enter into force 90 days after the date of deposit of the tenth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, with the Depositary Government.</p> <p>2. For each State which ratifies, accepts or approves the present Convention or accedes thereto after the deposit of the tenth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the present Convention shall enter into force 90 days after the deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p>
9	Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer (198 Parties) <u>Dated</u>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 17: Entry into force</p> <p>1. This Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p>

	<p>22 March 1985</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 22 September 1988</p>	<p>2. Any protocol, except as otherwise provided in such protocol, shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the eleventh instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval of such protocol or accession thereto.</p> <p>3. For each Party which ratifies, accepts or approves this Convention or accedes thereto after the deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, it shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit by such Party of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p> <p>4. Any protocol, except as otherwise provided in such protocol, shall enter into force for a party that ratifies, accepts or approves that protocol or accedes thereto after its entry into force pursuant to paragraph 2 above, on the ninetieth day after the date on which that party deposits its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, or on the date which the Convention enters into force for that Party, whichever shall be the later.</p> <p>5. For the purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, any instrument deposited by a regional economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by member States of such organization.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p><u>International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling</u></p> <p>(88 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 2 December 1946</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 10 November 1948</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ARTICLE X</p> <p>1. This Convention shall be ratified and the instruments of ratifications shall be deposited with the Government of the United States of America.</p> <p>2. Any Government which has not signed this Convention may adhere thereto after it enters into force by a notification in writing to the Government of the United States of America.</p> <p>3. The Government of the United States of America shall inform all other signatory Governments and all adhering Governments of all ratifications deposited and adherences received.</p> <p>4. This Convention shall, when instruments of ratification have been deposited by at least six signatory Governments, which shall include the Governments of the Netherlands, Norway, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America, enter into force with respect to those Governments and shall enter into force with respect to each Government which subsequently ratifies or adheres on the date of the deposit of its instrument of ratification or the receipt of its notification of adherence.</p>

		5. The provisions of the Schedule shall not apply prior to 1st July, 1948. Amendments to the Schedule adopted pursuant to Article V shall not apply prior to 1st July, 1949.
11	The Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR Convention) (25 Members and 10 Acceding States) <u>Dated</u> 20 May 1980 <u>Effective</u> 7 April 1982	<p style="text-align: center;">Article XXVIII</p> <p>1. This Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit of the eighth instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval by States referred to in paragraph 1 of Article XXVI of this Convention.</p> <p>2. With respect to each State or regional economic integration organisation which subsequent to the date of entry into force of this Convention deposits an instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following such deposit.</p>
12	Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (187 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 22 March 1989 <u>Effective</u> 5 May 1992	<p style="text-align: center;">ARTICLE 25 Entry into Force</p> <p>1. This Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, formal confirmation, approval or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State or political and/or economic integration organization which ratifies, accepts, approves or formally confirms this Convention or accedes thereto after the date of the deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval, formal confirmation or accession, it shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit by such State or political and/or economic integration organization of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval, formal confirmation or accession.</p> <p>3. For the purpose of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, any instrument deposited by a political and/or economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by member States of such organization.</p>
13	Convention on Fishing and Conservation of the Living Resources of the High Seas	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 18</p> <p>1. This Convention shall come into force on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit of the twenty-second instrument of ratification or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.</p>

<p>(39 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 29 April 1958</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 20 March 1966</p>	<p>2. For each State ratifying or acceding to the Convention after the deposit of the twenty-second instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification or accession.</p>
<p>14 UN Framework Convention on Climate Change</p> <p>(197 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 9 May 1992</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 21 March 1994</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 23 Entry into Force</p> <p>1. The Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the fiftieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State or regional economic integration organization that ratifies, accepts or approves the Convention or accedes thereto after the deposit of the fiftieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit by such State or regional economic integration organization of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p> <p>3. For the purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, any instrument deposited by a regional economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by States members of the organization.</p>
<p>15 Kyoto Protocol</p> <p>(192 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 11 December 1997</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 16 February 2005</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 25</p> <p>1. This Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date on which not less than 55 Parties to the Convention, incorporating Parties included in Annex I which accounted in total for at least 55 per cent of the total carbon dioxide emissions for 1990 of the Parties included in Annex I, have deposited their instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p> <p>2. For the purposes of this Article, “the total carbon dioxide emissions for 1990 of the Parties included in Annex I” means the amount communicated on or before the date of adoption of this Protocol by the Parties included in Annex I in their first national communications submitted in accordance with Article 12 of the Convention.</p> <p>3. For each State or regional economic integration organization that ratifies, accepts or approves this Protocol or accedes thereto after the conditions set out in paragraph 1 above for entry into force have been</p>

		<p>fulfilled, this Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day following the date of deposit of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p> <p>4. For the purposes of this Article, any instrument deposited by a regional economic integration organization shall not be counted as additional to those deposited by States members of the organization.</p>
16	<p>Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter (London Convention)</p> <p>(87 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 13 November 1972</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 20 August 1975</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article XIX</p> <p>1 This Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit of the fifteenth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>2 For each Contracting Party ratifying or acceding to the Convention after the deposit of the fifteenth instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after deposit by such Party of its instrument of ratification or accession.</p>
17	<p>Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties</p> <p>(116 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 23 May 1969</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 27 January 1980</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 84 Entry into force</p> <p>1. The present Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit of the thirty-fifth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying or acceding to the Convention after the deposit of the thirty-fifth instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification or accession.</p>
18	<p>United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property</p> <p>(22 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 30 Entry into force</p> <p>1. The present Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.</p>

	2 December 2004 <u>Effective</u> N/A	2. For each State ratifying, accepting, approving or acceding to the present Convention after the deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.
19	Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (the New York Convention) (162 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 10 June 1958 <u>Effective</u> 7 June 1959	<p style="text-align: center;">Article XII</p> 1. This Convention shall come into force on the ninetieth day following the date of deposit of the third instrument of ratification or accession. 2. For each State ratifying or acceding to this Convention after the deposit of the third instrument of ratification or accession, this Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification or accession.
20	Convention on International Civil Aviation (193 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 7 December 1944 <u>Effective</u> 4 April 1947	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 91 Ratification of Convention Adherence to Convention</p> (a) This Convention shall be subject to ratification by the signatory States. The instruments of ratification shall be deposited in the archives of the Government of the United States of America, which shall give notice of the date of the deposit to each of the signatory and adhering States. (b) As soon as this Convention has been ratified or adhered to by twenty-six States it shall come into force between them on the thirtieth day after deposit of the twenty-sixth instrument. It shall come into force for each State ratifying thereafter on the thirtieth day after the deposit of its instrument of ratification. (c) It shall be the duty of the Government of the United States of America to notify the government of each of the signatory and adhering States of the date on which this Convention comes into force.
21	Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations (192 Parties)	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 51</p> 1. The present Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit of the twenty-second instrument of ratification or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

	<u>Dated</u> 18 April 1961 <u>Effective</u> 24 April 1964	2. For each State ratifying or acceding to the Convention after the deposit of the twenty-second instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification.
22	<u>International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism</u> (189 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 9 December 1999 <u>Effective</u> 10 April 2002	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 26</p> 1. This Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of the deposit of the twenty-second instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations. 2. For each State ratifying, accepting, approving or acceding to the Convention after the deposit of the twenty-second instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.
23	<u>Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field of 12 August 1949</u> ⁵ <u>Dated</u> 12 August 1949 <u>Effective</u> 21 October 1950	<p style="text-align: center;">ART. 58.</p> The present Convention shall come into force six months after not less than two instruments of ratification have been deposited. Thereafter, it shall come into force for each High Contracting Party six months after the deposit of the instrument of ratification.

⁵ All four Geneva Conventions have identical entry into force provisions.

<p>24</p>	<p>Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (123 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 17 July 1998 <u>Effective</u> 1 July 2002</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 126 Entry into force</p> <p>1. This Statute shall enter into force on the first day of the month after the 60th day following the date of the deposit of the 60th instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying, accepting, approving or acceding to this Statute after the deposit of the 60th instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Statute shall enter into force on the first day of the month after the 60th day following the deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (152 Parties) <u>Dated</u> 9 December 1948 <u>Effective</u> 12 January 1951</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article XIII</p> <p>On the day when the first twenty instruments of ratification or accession have been deposited, the Secretary-General shall draw up a procès-verbal and transmit a copy thereof to each Member of the United Nations and to each of the non-member States contemplated in article XI.</p> <p>The present Convention shall come into force on the ninetieth day following the date of deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>Any ratification or accession effected subsequent to the latter date shall become effective on the ninetieth day following the deposit of the instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Article XIV</p> <p>The present Convention shall remain in effect for a period of ten years as from the date of its coming into force.</p> <p>It shall thereafter remain in force for successive periods of five years for such Contracting Parties as have not denounced it at least six months before the expiration of the current period.</p> <p>Denunciation shall be effected by a written notification addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 27</p>

	<p>or Degrading Treatment or Punishment</p> <p>(169 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 10 December 1984</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 26 June 1987</p>	<p>1. This Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of the deposit with the Secretary-General of the United Nations of the twentieth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying this Convention or acceding to it after the deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of the deposit of its own instrument of ratification or accession.</p>
27	<p>International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights</p> <p>(173 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 19 December 1966</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 23 March 1976</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 49</p> <p>1. The present Covenant shall enter into force three months after the date of the deposit with the Secretary-General of the United Nations of the thirty-fifth instrument of ratification or instrument of accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying the present Covenant or acceding to it after the deposit of the thirty-fifth instrument of ratification or instrument of accession, the present Covenant shall enter into force three months after the date of the deposit of its own instrument of ratification or instrument of accession.</p>
28	<p>International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights</p> <p>(170 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 16 December 1966</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 3 January 1976</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 27</p> <p>1. The present Covenant shall enter into force three months after the date of the deposit with the Secretary-General of the United Nations of the thirty-fifth instrument of ratification or instrument of accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying the present Covenant or acceding to it after the deposit of the thirty-fifth instrument of ratification or instrument of accession, the present Covenant shall enter into force three months after the date of the deposit of its own instrument of ratification or instrument of accession.</p>
29	<p>Convention on the Elimination of All Forms</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 27</p>

<p>of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)</p> <p>(189 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 18 December 1979</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 3 September 1981</p>	<p>1. The present Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of deposit with the Secretary-General of the United Nations of the twentieth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying the present Convention or acceding to it after the deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of the deposit of its own instrument of ratification or accession.</p>
<p>30 Convention on the Rights of the Child</p> <p>(196 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 20 November 1989</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 2 September 1990</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 49</p> <p>1. The present Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of deposit with the Secretary-General of the United Nations of the twentieth instrument of ratification or accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying or acceding to the Convention after the deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification or accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification or accession.</p>
<p>31 International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination</p> <p>(182 Parties)</p> <p><u>Dated</u> 21 December 1965</p> <p><u>Effective</u> 4 January 1969</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Article 19</p> <p>1. This Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of the deposit with the Secretary-General of the United Nations of the twenty-seventh instrument of ratification or instrument of accession.</p> <p>2. For each State ratifying this Convention or acceding to it after the deposit of the twenty-seventh instrument of ratification or instrument of accession, the Convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of the deposit of its own instrument of ratification or instrument of accession.</p>