

Reference: C.N.157.2023.TREATIES-X.21 (Depositary Notification)

UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL EFFECTS OF  
JUDICIAL SALES OF SHIPS

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OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above-referenced Convention was adopted on 7 December 2022 by resolution 77/100 during the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Depositary notification C.N.156.2023.TREATIES-X.21 relating to the issuance of certified true copies of the Convention has been circulated on 7 June 2023.

General Assembly resolution 77/100 authorized a ceremony for the opening for signature of the Convention to be held as soon as practicable in 2023 in Beijing. The ceremony will take place in Beijing on 5 September 2023. In accordance with its article 17, the Convention will be open for signature by all States. A regional economic integration organization that is constituted by sovereign States and has competence over certain matters governed by this Convention may similarly sign this Convention, in accordance with its article 18.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States and regional economic integration organizations wishing to sign the Convention could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, by e-mail: [treatysection@un.org](mailto:treatysection@un.org).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection website, which can be accessed at the following address: [https://treaties.un.org/Pages/Resource.aspx?path=Publication/TH/Page1\\_en.xml](https://treaties.un.org/Pages/Resource.aspx?path=Publication/TH/Page1_en.xml).

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