

## APPENDIX VI: STATUS OF THE WHO FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON TOBACCO CONTROL

Table 6 shows the status of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC). Ratification is the international act by which countries that have already signed a convention formally state their consent to be bound by it. Acceptance and approval are the legal equivalent of ratification. Signature of a convention indicates that a country is not legally bound by the treaty but is committed to not undermine its provisions.

The WHO FCTC entered into force on 27 February 2005, on the ninetieth day after the deposit of the fortieth instrument of ratification in the United Nations Headquarters, the depository of the treaty, in New York. The treaty remains open for ratification, acceptance, approval, formal confirmation and accession indefinitely for States and eligible regional economic integration organizations wishing to become Parties to it.

Table 6

## Status of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control as of 14 December 2007

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<sup>AA</sup> Approval is an international act, similar to ratification, by which countries that have already signed a treaty/convention formally state their consent to be bound by it.

<sup>c</sup> Formal confirmation is the international act corresponding to ratification by a State, whereby an international organization (in the case of the WHO FCTC, competent regional economic integration organizations) formally state their consent to be bound to a treaty/convention.

<sup>d</sup> Succession is the international act, however phrased or named, by which successor States formally state their consent to be bound by treaties/conventions originally entered into by their predecessor State.

COUNTRY	DATE OF SIGNATURE	DATE OF RATIFICATION* (OR LEGAL EQUIVALENT)
Afghanistan	29 June 2004	
Albania	29 June 2004	26 April 2006
Algeria	20 June 2003	30 June 2006
Andorra		
Angola	29 June 2004	20 September 2007
Antigua and Barbuda	28 June 2004	05 June 2006
Argentina	25 September 2003	
Armenia		29 November 2004 <sup>a</sup>
Australia	05 December 2003	27 October 2004
Austria	28 August 2003	15 September 2005
Azerbaijan		1 November 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Bahamas	29 June 2004	
Bahrain		20 March 2007 <sup>a</sup>
Bangladesh	16 June 2003	14 June 2004
Barbados	28 June 2004	03 November 2005
Belarus	17 June 2004	08 September 2005
Belgium	22 January 2004	01 November 2005
Belize	26 September 2003	15 December 2005
Benin	18 June 2004	03 November 2005
Bhutan	09 December 2003	23 August 2004
Bolivia	27 February 2004	15 September 2005
Bosnia and Herzegovina		
Botswana	16 June 2003	31 January 2005
Brazil	16 June 2003	03 November 2005
Brunei Darussalam	03 June 2004	03 June 2004
Bulgaria	22 December 2003	07 November 2005
Burkina Faso	22 December 2003	31 July 2006
Burundi	16 June 2003	22 November 2005
Cambodia	25 May 2004	15 November 2005
Cameroon	13 May 2004	03 February 2006
Canada	15 July 2003	26 November 2004
Cape Verde	17 February 2004	04 October 2005
Central African Republic	29 December 2003	07 November 2005
Chad	22 June 2004	30 January 2006
Chile	25 September 2003	13 June 2005
China	10 November 2003	11 October 2005
Colombia		
Comoros	27 February 2004	24 January 2006
Congo	23 March 2004	06 February 2007
Cook Islands	14 May 2004	14 May 2004
Costa Rica	03 July 2003	
Côte d'Ivoire	24 July 2003	
Croatia	02 June 2004	
Cuba	29 June 2004	
Cyprus	24 May 2004	26 October 2005
Czech Republic	16 June 2003	
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	17 June 2003	27 April 2005
Democratic Republic of the Congo	28 June 2004	28 October 2005
Denmark	16 June 2003	16 December 2004
Djibouti	13 May 2004	31 July 2005
Dominica	29 June 2004	24 July 2006
Dominican Republic		

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Ecuador	22 March 2004	25 July 2006
Egypt	17 June 2003	25 February 2005
El Salvador	18 March 2004	
Equatorial Guinea		17 September 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Eritrea		
Estonia	08 June 2004	27 July 2005
Ethiopia	25 February 2004	
European Community	16 June 2003	30 June 2005 <sup>c</sup>
Fiji	03 October 2003	03 October 2003
Finland	16 June 2003	24 January 2005
France	16 June 2003	19 October 2004 <sup>AA</sup>
Gabon	22 August 2003	
Gambia	16 June 2003	18 September 2007
Georgia	20 February 2004	14 February 2006
Germany	24 October 2003	16 December 2004
Ghana	20 June 2003	29 November 2004
Greece	16 June 2003	27 January 2006
Grenada	29 June 2004	14 August 2007
Guatemala	25 September 2003	16 November 2005
Guinea Bissau		
Guinea	01 April 2004	
Guyana		15 September 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Haiti	23 July 2003	
Honduras	18 June 2004	16 February 2005
Hungary	16 June 2003	07 April 2004
Iceland	16 June 2003	14 June 2004
India	10 September 2003	05 February 2004
Indonesia		
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	16 June 2003	06 November 2005
Iraq	29 June 2004	
Ireland	16 September 2003	07 November 2005
Israel	20 June 2003	24 August 2005
Italy	16 June 2003	
Jamaica	24 September 2003	07 July 2005
Japan	09 March 2004	8 June 2004 <sup>A</sup>
Jordan	28 May 2004	19 August 2004
Kazakhstan	21 June 2004	22 January 2007
Kenya	25 June 2004	25 June 2004
Kiribati	27 April 2004	15 September 2005
Kuwait	16 June 2003	12 May 2006
Kyrgyzstan	18 February 2004	25 May 2006
Lao People's Democratic Republic	29 June 2004	06 September 2006
Latvia	10 May 2004	10 February 2005
Lebanon	04 March 2004	07 December 2005
Lesotho	23 June 2004	14 January 2005
Liberia	25 June 2004	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	18 June 2004	07 June 2005
Lithuania	22 September 2003	16 December 2004
Luxembourg	16 June 2003	30 June 2005
Madagascar	24 September 2003	22 September 2004
Malawi		
Malaysia	23 September 2003	16 September 2005

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Maldives	17 May 2004	20 May 2004
Mali	23 September 2003	19 October 2005
Malta	16 June 2003	24 September 2003
Marshall Islands	16 June 2003	08 December 2004
Mauritania	24 June 2004	28 October 2005
Mauritius	17 June 2003	17 May 2004
Mexico	12 August 2003	28 May 2004
Micronesia (Federated States of)	28 June 2004	18 March 2005
Monaco		
Mongolia	16 June 2003	27 January 2004
Montenegro		23 October 2006 <sup>d</sup>
Morocco	16 April 2004	
Mozambique	18 June 2003	
Myanmar	23 October 2003	21 April 2004
Namibia	29 January 2004	07 November 2005
Nauru		29 June 2004 <sup>a</sup>
Nepal	03 December 2003	07 November 2006
Netherlands	16 June 2003	27 January 2005 <sup>A</sup>
New Zealand	16 June 2003	27 January 2004
Nicaragua	07 June 2004	
Niger	28 June 2004	25 August 2005
Nigeria	28 June 2004	20 October 2005
Niue	18 June 2004	03 June 2005
Norway	16 June 2003	16 June 2003 <sup>AA</sup>
Oman		9 March 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Pakistan	18 May 2004	03 November 2004
Palau	16 June 2003	12 February 2004
Panama	26 September 2003	16 August 2004
Papua New Guinea	22 June 2004	25 May 2006
Paraguay	16 June 2003	26 September 2006
Peru	21 April 2004	30 November 2004
Philippines	23 September 2003	06 June 2005
Poland	14 June 2004	15 September 2006
Portugal	09 January 2004	8 November 2005 <sup>AA</sup>
Qatar	17 June 2003	23 July 2004
Republic of Korea	21 July 2003	16 May 2005
Republic of Moldova	29 June 2004	
Romania	25 June 2004	27 January 2006
Russian Federation		
Rwanda	02 June 2004	19 October 2005
Saint Kitts and Nevis	29 June 2004	
Saint Lucia	29 June 2004	07 November 2005
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	14 June 2004	
Samoa	25 September 2003	03 November 2005
San Marino	26 September 2003	07 July 2004
Sao Tome and Principe	18 June 2004	12 April 2006
Saudi Arabia	24 June 2004	09 May 2005
Senegal	19 June 2003	27 January 2005
Serbia	28 June 2004	08 February 2006
Seychelles	11 September 2003	12 November 2003
Sierra Leone		
Singapore	29 December 2003	14 May 2004

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Slovakia	19 December 2003	04 May 2004
Slovenia	25 September 2003	15 March 2005
Solomon Islands	18 June 2004	10 August 2004
Somalia		
South Africa	16 June 2003	19 April 2005
Spain	16 June 2003	11 January 2005
Sri Lanka	23 September 2003	11 November 2003
Sudan	10 June 2004	31 October 2005
Suriname	24 June 2004	
Swaziland	29 June 2004	13 January 2006
Sweden	16 June 2003	07 July 2005
Switzerland	25 June 2004	
Syrian Arab Republic	11 July 2003	22 November 2004
Tajikistan		
Thailand	20 June 2003	08 November 2004
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		30 June 2006 <sup>a</sup>
Timor-Leste	25 May 2004	22 December 2004
Togo	12 May 2004	15 November 2005
Tonga	25 September 2003	08 April 2005
Trinidad and Tobago	27 August 2003	19 August 2004
Tunisia	22 August 2003	
Turkey	28 April 2004	31 December 2004
Tuvalu	10 June 2004	26 September 2005
Uganda	05 March 2004	20 June 2007
Ukraine	25 June 2004	06 June 2006
United Arab Emirates	24 June 2004	07 November 2005
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	16 June 2003	16 December 2004
United Republic of Tanzania	27 January 2004	30 April 2007
United States of America	10 May 2004	
Uruguay	19 June 2003	09 September 2004
Uzbekistan		
Vanuatu	22 April 2004	16 September 2005
Venezuela (the Bolivarian Republic of)	22 September 2003	27 June 2006
Viet Nam	03 September 2003	17 December 2004
Yemen	20 June 2003	22 February 2007
Zambia		
Zimbabwe		

Source: WHO Tobacco Free Initiative website (<http://www.who.int/tobacco/framework/countrylist/en/index.html>), accessed 14 December 2007.

Though not a Member State of WHO, as a Member State of the United Nations, Liechtenstein is also eligible to become Party to the WHO FCTC, though it has taken no action to do so.

On submitting instruments to become Party to the WHO FCTC, some Parties have included notes and/or declarations. All notes can be viewed at [www.who.int/tobacco/framework/countrylist/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/tobacco/framework/countrylist/en/index.html). All declarations can be viewed at [www.who.int/tobacco/framework/declarations\\_en/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/tobacco/framework/declarations_en/en/index.html).