



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

INSTRUMENT OF ACCESSION

WHEREAS the Convention on the Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters (hereinafter referred to as “the Convention”) was done at The Hague on 15 November 1965 and entered into force on 10 February 1969;

AND WHEREAS the first paragraph of Article 28 of the Convention stipulates that any State not represented at the Tenth Session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law may accede to the Convention after it entered into force in accordance with the first paragraph of Article 27;

NOW THEREFORE, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, having considered the Convention, hereby accedes to it and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

NOTE THAT, upon acceding to the Convention, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam makes a Declaration pursuant to the Convention.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed and sealed this Instrument of Accession.

DONE at Ha Noi, on 09 March 2016



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DECLARATION

Upon acceding to the Convention on the Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention") done at The Hague on 15 November 1965, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam makes the following declarations:

1. The Ministry of Justice of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam is designated to be the Central Authority in accordance with Article 2 of the Convention and the one and only authority designated for the purpose of Article 6 and Article 9 of the Convention.
2. In accordance with the second paragraph of Article 8 of the Convention, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam is opposed to the service of documents provided for in Article 8 of the Convention within its territory, unless the documents are to be served upon a national of the State in which the documents originate.
3. The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam objects to the use of such methods of service of documents provided for in paragraph b and paragraph c of Article 10 of the Convention.
4. The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam does not oppose to the service of documents through postal channels mentioned in paragraph a of Article 10 of the Convention if the documents forwarded via postal channels are sent via registered mail with acknowledgement of receipt.
5. The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam declares that a judge, notwithstanding the provisions of the first paragraph of Article 15 of the Convention, may give judgment even if no certificate of service or delivery has been received, if all the conditions provided for in the second paragraph of Article 15 are fulfilled.

6. The request made using the Model Form under the Convention to Viet Nam shall be either completed in the Vietnamese language or accompanied by a Vietnamese translation. Except for the documents to be served upon a national of the State in which the documents originate in accordance with Article 8 or paragraph a of Article 10 of the Convention, all documents to be served in Viet Nam must be either in the Vietnamese language or accompanied by a Vietnamese translation, in which case the signature of the translator must be duly verified or notarized.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed and sealed this Declaration.

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