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INTRODUCTION

This document summarises the programme of work in the fields of international child protection and family law in which the Permanent Bureau is currently engaged. The document, which is an updated version of similar documents presented to meetings of the Special Commission on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference in 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006,[1] sets out a timetable for certain projects and comments on the sources of funding for each project (cross-referenced to the Supplementary Budget for Financial Year LIII (1 July 2007 – 30 June 2008)).[2]

The mandate for the work relating to the *Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction* and the *Hague Convention of 19 October 1996 on Jurisdiction, Applicable Law, Recognition, Enforcement and Co-operation in respect of Parental Responsibility and Measures for the Protection of Children* derives immediately from the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the 1980 Convention and to address implementation issues concerning the 1996 Convention, which took place in The Hague from 30 October to 9 November 2006.[3] The Special Commission, attended by 66 States, agreed 57 Conclusions and Recommendations, many of which involve additions to the work programme and consequently implications for the Regular and Supplementary Budgets of the Hague Conference.

Various projects concerning the *Hague Convention of 29 May 1993 on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption* were approved by the Special Commission meeting to review the practical operation of that Convention in November 2000. A second Special Commission meeting to review the practical operation of the Convention of 1993 of September 2005 reaffirmed the work programme and approved further projects.[4]

The work on development of a new global Convention on the international recovery of child support and other forms of family maintenance is proceeding, with the fifth round of negotiations due to be held from 8-16 May 2007. The Diplomatic Session will take place in November 2007. Preliminary Document No 17 provides further information on progress, including, as an Annex, the Preliminary Draft Convention.

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[1] See Preliminary Documents No 4 of March 2003 for the attention of the Special Commission of April 2003 on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference; No 12 of February 2004 for the attention of the Special Commission of April 2004 on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference; No 28 of March 2005 for the attention of the Special Commission of March / April 2005 on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference; and No 2 of February 2006 for the attention of the Special Commission of April 2006 on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference respectively.

[2] Preliminary Document No 16 of March 2007 for the attention of the Council of April 2007 on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference.

[3] See "Conclusions and Recommendations of the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission to Review the Operation of the *Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction* and the Practical Implementation of the *Hague Convention of 19 October 1996 on Jurisdiction, Applicable Law, Recognition, Enforcement and Co-operation in respect of Parental Responsibility and Measures for the Protection of Children* (30 October-9 November 2006)". The original mandate for certain projects derives from earlier Special Commission meetings. See, in particular, "Conclusions and Recommendations of the Fourth Meeting of the Special Commission to Review the Operation of the *Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction* (22–28 March 2001)".

[4] See "Conclusions and Recommendations of the Second Meeting of the Special Commission to Review the Operation of the *Hague Convention of 29 May 1993 on Protection of Children and Co-operation in respect of Intercountry Adoption* (17-23 September 2005)".

In addition to the projects set out in this document the Permanent Bureau has prepared a feasibility study on cross-border mediation in family matters.[5]

As a result of the special increase in the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference in the Financial Year L (1 July 2004 – 30 June 2005), it has been possible to place on a secure footing many of the post-Convention services provided by the Permanent Bureau, which have been viewed as core activities of the Conference and essential to support the existing Conventions.[6] A further slight budgetary increase in Financial Year LII (1 July 2006 – 30 June 2007) has ensured the provision of certain services and support on a regional basis.[7]

The Permanent Bureau is grateful to the Member States for their generous assistance in the development of a wide range of activities to support and improve the operation of existing Conventions. A special mention should be made of an initial contribution from Government of The Netherlands and a subsequent contribution from the Government of The United States of America to support training programmes in general and the Intercountry Adoption Implementation Assistance Programme specifically.[8]

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[5] "Feasibility study on cross border mediation in family matters" drawn up by the Permanent Bureau, Preliminary Document No 20 of March 2007 for the attention of the Council of April 2007 on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference which includes as an Annex the "Note on the development of mediation, conciliation and similar means to facilitate agreed solutions in transfrontier family disputes concerning children especially in the context of the Hague Convention of 1980" drawn up by Sarah Vigers, Former Legal Officer of the Permanent Bureau, Preliminary Document No 5 of October 2006 for the attention of the Fifth meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the *Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction*.

[6] The following items were moved from the Supplementary Budget to the regular Budget in Financial Year L: one Principal Legal Officer and two Legal Officers for work on the Children's Conventions; one Legal Officer for the Conventions on Legal Co-operation (Apostille, Service, Taking of Evidence); the maintenance and development of the International Child Abduction Database (INCADAT); work, including the development of Guides to Good Practice and practical handbooks, to support the effective implementation and operation of the Conventions involving child protection and legal co-operation; and the employment of one Administrative Assistant and a part-time Publications Assistant.

[7] In Financial Year LII, Member States agreed to move the position of a regional Legal Officer from the Supplementary Budget to the regular Budget. Unanimous agreement was expressed as to the strengthened regional post-Convention services and supports as a result of the work of the Liaison Legal Officer for Latin America.

[8] See Letter addressed to the Ambassadors and to National Organs of the Member States, L.c. A No 1(07) of 28 February 2007 and L.c. ON No 8(07) of 1 March 2007.

PROJECT	MANDATE/TIMELINE/ BUDGETARY COMMENTS
PART I	
THE HAGUE CONVENTION OF 25 OCTOBER 1980 ON THE CIVIL ASPECTS OF INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION **Implementation of Conclusions and Recommendations from the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the 1980 Convention and implementation issues concerning the 1996 Convention**[9]	
1. Central Authority Working Group in respect of country profiles	Recommendation 1.1.11 of the Special Commission. No timeline has yet been set. The Canadian authorities will be playing a leading role in this project.
2. Updating of standard request for return form in consultation with Contracting States	Recommendation 1.1.14 of the Special Commission.
3. The Guide to Good Practice under the 1980 Convention	*The Guide to Good Practice is now funded under the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference*.
a) Part I (Central Authority Practice) and Part II (Implementing Measures)	Parts I and II have been published, in English, French and Spanish, and distributed in December 2003. Parts I and II of the Guide were supported by earmarked funding from Australia (secondment), Canada, Germany (secondment), the United Kingdom (England and Wales) and the United States of America, and from States which contributed generally to the Supplementary Budget.
b) Part III (Preventive Measures)	Part III has been published, in English, French and Spanish, and distributed in October 2005. The Spanish translation of the Guide was funded by contributions made to

[9] The Conclusions and Recommendations from the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the 1980 Convention are available on the Hague Conference website at < www.hcch.net > under <Conventions> - <Convention 28> - <Practical Operation Documents>. The Special Commission took place 30 October - 9 November 2006. General preparations for Special Commissions are funded from the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference, as are the Special Commissions themselves. The provision of Spanish interpretation during the Special Commission and the translation of preliminary documents were funded by contributions to the Supplementary Budget.

		the Supplementary Budget.
c)	Part IV (Enforcement of return orders / access orders)	Draft principles supported by the Special Commission.[10] Recommendation 1.5.2 of the Special Commission to draw up Draft Guide to Good Practice with the assistance of a group of experts. Draft Guide to be circulated to Member States and Contracting States for their comments.
d)	Part V (General 'principles and considerations' relating to transfrontier access / contact)	The Special Commission gave broad endorsement to general principles and good practices set out in Preliminary Document No 4.[11] Document to be amended and completed in consultation with a group of experts and prepared for publication as soon as possible. See Recommendation 1.7.2.a.
4.	Consent to travel: Explore feasibility and development of standardised or recommended permission [to travel with child] or consent form in consultation with Contracting States and relevant international organisations	Recommendation 1.2.3 of the Special Commission.
5.	Mediation: Permanent Bureau to keep States informed of developments in the mediation of cross-border disputes concerning contact and abduction[12]	Recommendation 1.3.3 of the Special Commission.
6.	Direct Judicial Communications	Draft report confirmed by the Special Commission.[13] Recommendation 1.6.7 of the Special Commission.

[10] "Enforcement of Orders made under the 1980 Convention - Towards Principles of Good Practice", drawn up by Andrea Schulz, First Secretary, Preliminary Document No 7 of October 2006 for the attention of the Fifth meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the *Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.*

[11] "Transfrontier Access / Contact General Principles And Good Practice", drawn up by William Duncan, Deputy Secretary General, Preliminary Document No 4 of October 2006 for the attention of the Fifth meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.

[12] See *supra*, note 5.

[13] "Report on Judicial Communications in relation to International Child Protection", drawn up by Philippe Lortie, First Secretary, Preliminary Document No 8 of October 2006 for the attention of the Fifth meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the *Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction*.

a)	EC-HCCH Conference on direct judicial Communications	Ongoing preparations. A Conference to take place in early 2008 in co-operation with the European Community.
b)	Maintaining and updating the list of judges designated by their judicial authorities or self-nominated to join the International Hague Network of Judges	Ongoing.
c)	Continued consultations and development of practical mechanisms and structures in respect of the International Hague Network of Judges (including regional networks)	Recommendation 1.6.7 of the Special Commission. Ongoing.
d)	Continued development of an inventory of existing practices relating to direct judicial communications in specific cases under the 1980 Hague Convention and with regard to international child protection	Recommendation 1.6.7 of the Special Commission. Ongoing.
e)	Continued research into principles concerning direct judicial communications, with the advice of a consultative group of experts	Recommendation 1.6.7 of the Special Commission. Ongoing.
f)	Exploration of the development of a secured system of communications for members of the International Hague Network of Judges	Recommendation 1.6.7 of the Special Commission.
7.	Implementation of i-Child (case management system)[14]	Ongoing work with WorldReach Software of Canada which has developed the Software in cooperation with HCCH. The Governments of Canada and the United Kingdom have been the major sponsors of this project and support has also been given by WorldReach Software of Canada. See Supplementary Budget Article 8.

[14] See "Report on the Ichild Pilot and the Development of the International Child Abduction Statistical Database, INCASTAT Technology Systems in support of the *Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction*" drawn up by the Permanent Bureau, Preliminary Document No 9 of October 2006 for the attention of the Fifth meeting of the Special Commission to review the operation of the above mentioned Convention.

8.	Implementation of INCASTAT (the international child abduction statistical database[15]	Ongoing work with e-Vision (HCCH website provider) on the establishment of INCASTAT. The Governments of Canada and the United Kingdom have been the major sponsors of this project. See Supplementary Budget Article 8.
a)	Modification of the reporting screens of the database in the light of the Conclusions and Recommendations of the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission	Completed.
b)	Development of a user manual in English, French and Spanish	Ongoing. See Supplementary Budget Article 8.
c)	Distribution of user Ids and passwords to Central Authorities	March / April 2007.
d)	Promoting the system and reminding Central Authorities to enter their statistics	Ongoing. See Supplementary Budget Article 8.
e)	Providing help-desk assistance to the Central Authorities	Ongoing. See Supplementary Budget Article 8.
9.	Expansion and maintenance of INCADAT (The international database of judicial decisions taken under the 1980 Convention)	The following Member States have specifically contributed to the development of INCADAT: Austria, Canada, China (Mainland and HKSAR), Cyprus, Finland, Korea, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland, United Kingdom (England and Wales, Northern Ireland, Scotland) and the United States of America. The project was initiated with support from foundations in the Netherlands. *INCADAT is now funded under the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference*.

[15] *Id.*

a) Continued expansion of the substantive legal coverage, co-operation with INCADAT Correspondents and expansion of the non-Hague Convention page	Ongoing.
b) Continued development of the Spanish module	Ongoing.
10. The Judges' Newsletter on International Child Protection	Recommendation 1.6.9 of the Special Commission. This project has been supported by Butterworths Legal Publishers.
a) Consultation with Editorial Board; soliciting material; writing and editing; co-ordination with publisher; maintenance of distribution list	Regular bi-annual publication (Autumn and Spring).
b) Translation (published in French and English)	*Translation costs between English and French and formatting costs are now funded under the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference.*
c) Translation into other languages	For Spanish translations see Supplementary Budget Article 7 *a).* For Arabic translation see Supplementary Budget Article 7 *b).*
11. Programme to support effective implementation	See Part II.

THE HAGUE CONVENTION OF 29 MAY 1993 ON PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND CO-OPERATION IN RESPECT OF INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION **Implementation of the Conclusions and Recommendations of the Second Meeting of the Special Commission to review the practical operation of the 1993 Convention**[16]	
12. The Guide to Good Practice	*General costs of the Guide to Good Practice are now funded under the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference.*
a) Finalisation of a Guide to Good Practice on Implementation	The draft Guide was approved by the Special Commission; drafting amendments to be undertaken by the Permanent Bureau with the assistance of a designated Consultative Group. Recommendation 1 of the Special Commission.
b) Spanish translation of modifications to the draft Guide on Implementation	Ongoing. See Supplementary Budget Article 9 *c).*
c) Translation into English of Spanish responses to the 2005 Questionnaire to add information to the Guide	Ongoing. See Supplementary Budget Article 9 *b).*
d) Preparation of a Guide to Good Practice on Accreditation	Recommendation 4 of the Special Commission. See Supplementary Budget Article 9 *a).*
e) Research into possible additional Chapters (*e.g.* financial aspects, reports on prospective adoptive parents, preparation of prospective adoptive parents, and post-adoption reports)	Recommendation 2 of the Special Commission. See Supplementary Budget Article 9 *a).*
f) Spanish translation of additional Parts of the Guide	See Supplementary Budget Article 9 *d).*

[16] The Special Commission took place on 17-23 September 2005, including a one day meeting on accreditation issues. The Report of the Special Commission and Conclusions and Recommendations are available on the Hague Conference website at < www.hcch.net > under <Conventions> - <Convention 33> - <Practical Operation Documents>. General preparations for Special Commissions are funded from the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference, as are the Special Commissions themselves. The provision of Spanish interpretation during the Special Commission and the translation of preliminary documents were funded by contributions to the Supplementary Budget.

13. Development of a set of model accreditation criteria	Recommendation 4 of the Special Commission.
14. Development of a model form for the consent of the child (Article 4 *d)* (3)) as well as model forms or protocols regarding the operation of Articles 15 and 16 of the Convention	Recommendation 7 of the Special Commission.
15. Expansion of the Adoption section of the website including the development of country profiles (including, *inter alia*, procedures, website addresses and how the various responsibilities and tasks under the Convention are divided between Central Authorities, public authorities, accredited bodies and any bodies and persons)	Recommendation 8 of the Special Commission.
16. Development of a model form re post-adoption reporting	Recommendation 18 of the Special Commission.
17. Development of ICASTAT (the intercountry adoption statistical database)	Ongoing work with e-Vision (HCCH website provider) - see point 8 above in relation to INCASTAT. See Supplementary Budget Article 10.
18. Programme to support effective implementation	See Part II, item 28.
PREPARATION OF THE GLOBAL INSTRUMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY OF CHILD SUPPORT AND OTHER FORMS OF FAMILY MAINTENANCE	
19. Preparations for the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission This Fifth Meeting will deal mainly with applicable law and to some extent with access to justice and recognition and enforcement issues Further details of progress are set out in Preliminary Document. No 17 which includes as an Annex the text of the Preliminary Draft Convention[17]	The Fourth Meeting of the Special Commission took place from 19-28 June 2006. The Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission will take place from 8-16 May 2007. General preparations for Special Commissions are funded from the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference, as are the Special Commissions themselves.

[17] "Progress report on the development of a new international instrument on the International Recovery of Child Support and other forms of Family Maintenance", Preliminary Document No 17 of March 2007 for the attention of the Council of April 2007 on General Affairs and Policy of the Conference.

a)	Working Group on Applicable Law Preparation of a draft text for the Special Commission (Preliminary Document No 24) has been circulated and is available on the website[18] Preparation of a Report for the Special Commission (Preliminary Document No 27) which should be available in March 2007	A meeting took place at the Permanent Bureau on 17-18 November 2006. This Working Group communicates by listserv throughout the year.
b)	Fundraising for Spanish interpretation during the Special Commission meeting and translation of the Report and Preliminary Documents into Spanish	Completed. In 2003-2004, 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 the United States contributed specifically to this item; Spain has contributed to Spanish interpretation and translation of preliminary documents for several Special Commissions.
c)	Fundraising for the Special Fund to assist with travel and per diem expenses for experts from 13 States	Immediate. Denmark and Luxembourg (2002-2003); China and Sweden (2003-2004); United Kingdom (2005-2006) contributed specifically to this item.
20.	Preparations for the Diplomatic Session	The Diplomatic Session will take place from 5-23 November 2007. Diplomatic Sessions are supported by the Government of The Netherlands.
a)	Consultation	Throughout the year.
b)	Drafting Committee Preparation of the Preliminary Draft Convention text (Preliminary Document No 25) and observations of the Drafting Committee (Preliminary Document No 26) have been circulated and are available on the website[19]	Meetings took place at the Permanent Bureau from 11-15 September and by conference calls on 28 November and 7 December 2006. The Drafting Committee will meet from 16-19 May 2007.
c)	Co-Rapporteur Preparation of a Report on the Preliminary Draft Convention text (Preliminary Document No 28) which should be available in March 2007	The Co-Rapporteurs who attended all Drafting Committee meetings met on 8-10 February 2007 to finalise their Report.

[18] Available on the Hague Conference website at < www.hcch.net > under <Work in progress> - <Maintenance obligations (future Hague Convention)>.
[19] See *supra*, note 18

d)	Administrative Co-operation Working Group (ACWG) Preparation of a report for the Diplomatic Session Two sub-working groups - Country Profile - Monitoring and Review	Meetings took place in The Hague on 16 May 2006 and in London from 14-16 March 2007. Meetings by conference calls of the ACWG took place on 23 January 2007, including country profiles on 21 September and 24 October 2006 and 16 January 2007.
e)	Forms Committee The Forms Committee is a stand-alone committee (not a sub-group of the ACWG) coordinated by the Permanent Bureau Preparation of a report for the Diplomatic Session	A conference call took place on 30 August 2006 in preparation of the Drafting Committee meeting of September 2006. Further conference calls will take place in March and April. Meeting in The Hague will take before the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission.
f)	Fundraising for Spanish interpretation during the Diplomatic Session and translation of the report and Preliminary Documents into Spanish	In 2003-2004, 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 the United States contributed specifically to this item. Spain has contributed to Spanish interpretation and translation of preliminary documents for several Special Commissions. The Dutch Government has indicated that they will fund the Spanish interpretation for the Diplomatic Session.
g)	Fundraising for the Special Fund to assist with travel and per diem expenses for experts from 13 States	Immediate. The United Kingdom has contributed specifically to this item. See Supplementary Budget Article 11.
21.	iSupport Development of an integrated electronic application processing and case management system for the international recovery of maintenance	Ongoing. See Supplementary Budget Article 13. Special part-time secondment (Canada).

THE HAGUE CONVENTION OF 13 JANUARY 2000 ON THE INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION OF ADULTS	
22. Preparation of publicity material	Work to begin in 2007. *Publication costs are now funded by the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference*.
CO-HABITATION OUTSIDE MARRIAGE	
23. Co-habitation outside marriage	
Update of the document presented in May 2000	Ongoing.
PART II **DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMMES AND PROGRAMMES TO SUPPORT THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HAGUE CONVENTIONS**	
24. International and regional initiatives - judicial seminars and programmes to support effective implementation	Funded from external sources and by participant States. See also Supplementary Budget Part I. See Preliminary Document. No 14 in general.
a) The Special Programme for Latin American States Follow up from the Latin American Judges' Seminars - including the establishment of a regional judicial / Central Authority network, regional expansion of INCADAT and the Judges' Newsletter	Phase III of the Special Programme. See Conclusions from the IIN Meeting.[20] The Government of Argentina has assisted with some logistical costs associated with the Special Programme for Latin America, including providing office space and assisting with related communication costs. See Supplementary Budget Article 1 and Annex A, Preliminary Document. No 16. See also Preliminary Document. No 14.

[20] See Conclusions from the *Instituto Interamericano del Niño, la Niña y Adolescentes (*IIN) Meeting available on the Hague Conference website at < www.hcch.net >under <Conventions> - <Convention 28> - <Practical Operation Documents>.

b) The Malta Process Involving certain Hague Convention States and certain States from the Islamic tradition Two Judicial Conferences have been held in Malta, one in March 2004 and one in March 2006. A further conference is planned for early 2008.	See Supplementary Budget Article 4, Preliminary Document. No 16. See also Preliminary Document No 14.
c) The Hague Project for Southern and Eastern Africa	In Phase I a first Seminar was held in The Hague in September 2006. A Conference for the Southern and Eastern African Region - Phase II to be attended by representatives from the judiciary, governmental, academic and NGO communities to address the three modern Hague Children's Conventions in late 2007. See Supplementary Budget Article 2, Preliminary Document No 16. See also Preliminary Document No 14.
d) The Hague Project for Western and Central Africa	A Seminar for French-speaking African States will be held in The Hague in August 2007. The Seminar will be co-funded by the Embassy of France and The Hague Forum for Judicial Expertise. See Supplementary Budget Article 2, Preliminary. Document. No 16. See also Preliminary Doc. No 14.
e) Conference for the Asia / Pacific Region hosted by the Government of Australia	A regional Conference will be held in Australia in June 2007. The Seminar is being funded by contributions from the Government of Australia. See Supplementary Budget Article 3, Preliminary Document. No 16. See also Preliminary Document. No 14.

f)	Regional Central / Eastern European Seminar	In early planning stages. To be financed by participating States.
25.	Consolidation of technical assistance and training programmes. The Hague Conference International Centre for Judicial Studies and Technical Assistance	A 2006 contribution from the Government of The Netherlands and subsequently by The United States of America has allowed for the initial establishment of a systematic training programme to consolidate the provision of services offered by the Hague Conference and to focus on strengthening and expanding the efforts to ensure the effective implementation in particular of the Hague Children's Conventions and the Hague Conventions on Judicial and Administrative Co-operation. See Supplementary Budget Article 19, Preliminary Document No 16. See also Preliminary Document No 14.
26.	National seminars and technical assistance to Contracting States and States considering ratification / accession Advice on organisation and scientific programme, participation	Ongoing. Funded by States concerned. For work in the Latin American Region see Supplementary Budget Annex A, Preliminary Document No 16.
27.	Intercountry Adoption Implementation Assistance Programme The provision of information and support to targeted States in the first stages of implementation	See Supplementary Budget Article 5 and Annex B outlining the 18-month pilot project, Preliminary Document No 16. A 2006 contribution from the Government of The Netherlands has allowed for the initial implementation of the programme for two States, Guatemala and Kenya.
28.	Development of Information Material Brochure on the Children's Conventions Review of services provided by the Permanent Bureau to Central Authorities under the 1980 and 1993 Conventions	Printed October 2005 in English, French and Spanish. Ongoing; initial review carried out internally in 2003. *Publication costs are now funded by the Regular Budget of the Hague Conference*.