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PROPOSAL

presented by the delegation of Canada

Re: Article D (Territorial units) of the draft final provisions

TERRITORIAL UNITS

Canada proposes the following amendment to Article D (Territorial Units) of the final clauses:

1. If a Contracting State has a federal system where the federal legislative power has competence over matters governed by this Protocol, that Contracting State shall have the same rights and obligations over those matters as those Contracting States which do not have a federal system.

1–2. If the federal Contracting State has two or more territorial units in which different systems of law are applicable in relation to matters dealt with in this Protocol, it may, at the time of signature, ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, make an initial declaration that this Protocol is to extend to all its territorial units or only to one or more of them and may modify its declaration by submitting another declaration at any time.

2–3. Any such declaration shall state expressly the territorial units to which this Protocol applies.

3–4. If a Contracting State has not made any declaration under paragraph 1–2, this Protocol shall apply to all territorial units of that State.

4–5. Where a Contracting State extends this Protocol to one or more of its territorial units, declarations permitted under this Protocol may be made in respect of each such territorial unit, and the declarations made in respect of one territorial unit may be different from those made in respect of another territorial unit.

5–6. In relation to a federal Contracting State with two or more territorial units in which different systems of law are applicable in relation to the subject matters dealt with in this Protocol, any reference to the law in force in a Contracting State or to the law of a Contracting State shall be construed as referring to the law in force in the relevant territorial unit.