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#### AMENDMENTS<sup>1,2</sup>

# TO ARTICLE 10 AND ARTICLE 12 OF THE CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL AND MARKING OF ARTICLES OF PRECIOUS METALS, DONE AT VIENNA 15 NOVEMBER 1972<sup>3</sup>

### Article 10

Add at the end of paragraph 2 a new sub-paragraph:

"to examine whether the arrangements of a State interested in acceding to this Convention comply with the conditions of the Convention and its Annexes and to make a report in that respect for consideration by the Contracting States."

## ARTICLE 12

Replace the present wording of the Article by the following:

"1. Any State being a Member of the United Nations or of any of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency or a Party to the Statute of the International Court of Justice and having arrangements for the assay and marking of articles of precious metals necessary to comply with the requirements of the Convention and its Annexes may, upon invitation of the Contracting States to be transmitted by the depositary government, accede to this Convention."

"2. The Governments of the Contracting States shall base their decision whether to invite a State to accede primarily on the report referred to in Article 10, paragraph 2.".

"3. The invited State may accede to this Convention by depositing an instrument of accession with the depositary which shall notify all other Contracting States. The accession shall become effective three months after deposit of that instrument."

<sup>1</sup> The proposal for the amendments was adopted at the Twentieth meeting of the Standing Committee held in Geneva from 18 May to 20 May 1988.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Amendments entered into force on 16 August 1993.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Treaty Series No. 53 (1978), Cmnd. 7219.