

» **INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC IN MINORS (B-57)**

**Signatories and Ratifications**

**ADOPTED AT:** MEXICO, D.F., MEXICO

**DATE:** 03/18/94

**CONF/ASSEM/MEETING:** FIFTH INTER-AMERICAN SPECIALIZED CONFERENCE ON PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW

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**OBSERVATIONS:**

**GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE TREATY: C-15**

SIGNATORY COUNTRIES	SIGNATURE REF	RA/AC/AD REF	DEPOSIT INST	INFORMA REF
Argentina.....	/ /	12/13/99	02/28/00 AD	/ / 2
Belize .....	/ /	06/11/97	07/16/97 RA	/ /
Bolivia .....	03/18/94	10/31/03	12/04/03 RA	/ / 5
Brazil .....	03/18/94	07/03/97	07/08/97 RA	/ / 8
Colombia.....	/ /	06/12/00	08/23/00 AD	/ / 4
Costa Rica .....	05/22/97	05/22/01	09/04/01 RA	/ /
Ecuador .....	06/11/98	05/20/02	05/28/02 RA	/ / 1
El Salvador .....	/ /	10/17/05	12/22/05 AD	/ / 7
Honduras .....	/ /	10/23/08	11/21/08 AD	/ /
Mexico .....	11/27/95	/ /	/ /	/ /
Nicaragua.....	/ /	10/07/05	11/18/05 AD	/ /
Panama .....	05/28/98	01/18/00	03/21/00 RA	/ / 3
Paraguay .....	08/07/96	11/28/97	05/12/98 RA	/ /
Peru.....	/ /	04/20/04	05/04/04 AD	/ / 6
Uruguay .....	03/18/94	10/28/98	12/07/98 RA	/ /
Venezuela .....	03/18/94	/ /	/ /	/ /

REF = REFERENCE

D = DECLARATION

R = RESERVATION

INFORMA = INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE TREATY

INST = TYPE OF INSTRUMENT

RA = RATIFICATION

AC = ACCEPTANCE

AD = ACCESSION

**\*DECLARATIONS/RESERVATIONS/DENUNCIATIONS/WITHDRAWS**

**TREATY REFERENCES: B-57**

**1.- ECUADOR** (Upon signing the Convention the State of Ecuador made the following reservation):

"Under its Constitution, Ecuador may not grant the extradition of its nationals, and their prosecution shall be subject to the laws of Ecuador".

Note from the Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the OAS No. 4-2- 125/98, dated June 8, 1998.

Designation of Central Authority: (January 13, 2005)

On January 13, 2005, the Government of Ecuador appointed the following central authority in regards of the Inter-American Convention on International Traffic in Minors:

Dr. Iván Gomezjurado Cevallos

Presidente

Consejo Nacional de la Niñez y la Adolescencia  
Edificio Tarqui, Santa María y Amazonas  
Quito, Ecuador  
Phone: (593) 9 872 0029

**2.-ARGENTINA:** Upon acceding to the Convention, the Argentine State makes the following interpretative declaration:

"The ARGENTINE REPUBLIC declares that, pursuant to Article 23, it will recognize and execute criminal judgements handed down in other State Parties in respect of awards of damages resulting from the international traffice in minors."

"The ARGENTINE REPUBLIC further declares that, pursuant to Article 26, it will not entertain in any civil suit within its jurisdiction a challenge to the existence of the facts of the crime or the guilt of the person

convicted when a conviction has been handed down for this crime in another State Party."

### **3.-PANAMA**

1. The Republic of Panama declares, purusuant to Article 23 of the aforementioned Convention, that "the Panamanian State shall recognize and execute criminal judgements handed down in another State Party

referring to compensation for damages or losses resulting from international trafficking in minors, in accordance

with the parameters set forth in the present Convention and with the domestic laws of Panama."

2.- The Republic of Panama, pursuant to Article 26 of the Convention, declares that "the Panamanian State shall not admit any impugment in civil litigation, or motion to dismiss, or any kind of defense designed to prove the nonexistence of the offense or innocence of a person when such person has been sentenced and convicted for that crime in another State Party."

**4.- COLOMBIA:** On January 9, 2002 it designated as Central Authority:

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**5.- BOLIVIA:** Designation of Central Authority (13 February, 2004)

Dra. Elizabeth Patiño Durán, Viceministra de la Juventud, Niñez y Tercera Edad.

**6.- PERU:** (May 4, 2004)

The Republic of Peru declares:

1. "That, pursuant to Article 23 of the aforementioned Convention, the Peruvian

State shall recognize and execute criminal judgments handed down in another State Party referring to compensation for damages or losses resulting from international trafficking in minors.”

2. “That pursuant to Article 26 of the Convention, the Peruvian State shall not admit in civil litigation any motion to dismiss or any kind of defense designed to prove the nonexistence of the offense or innocence of a person, when such person has been sentenced and convicted for that crime in another State Party.”

#### **7.- EL SALVADOR:**

In acceding to the Convention, the Republic of El Salvador entered a reservation with respect to application of Articles 23 and 26 thereof, in accordance with its domestic laws. On December 22, 2005, El Salvador appointed the Instituto Salvadoreño para el Desarrollo Integral de la Niñez y la Adolescencia (ISNA) as its central authority according to article 5 of the Inter-American Convention on International Traffic in Minors.

#### **8.- BRAZIL:**

Designation of Central Authority (January 26, 2007)

On January 26, 2007, Brazil appointed the Ministério da Justiça as the central authority for the Inter-American Convention on International Traffic in Minors:

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