

Certificate on the entry into force of the Statute of the Council of Europe (London, 3 August 1949)

Caption: On 3 August 1949, the Head of the Treaty Department of the British Foreign Office delivers a certificate on the entry into force of the Statute of the Council of Europe on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom, depositary of the instruments of ratification.

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CERTIFICATE

Whereas a Statute for the creation of a Council of Europe was signed in London on 5th May, 1949, by representatives of the Governments of the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of Denmark, the French Republic, the Irish Republic, the Italian Republic, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Kingdom of Norway, the Kingdom of Sweden and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland;

And whereas paragraph (a) of Article 42 of the said Statute provides that ratifications shall be deposited with the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and paragraph (b) of Article 42 provides that the Statute shall come into force as soon as seven instruments of ratification have been deposited;

And whereas instruments of ratification have been deposited on the dates indicated on behalf of the following seven signatory Governments:—

The Kingdom of Denmark

14th July, 1949.

The Kingdom of Sweden

20th July, 1949.

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

26th July, 1949.

The Irish Republic

30th July, 1949.

The Kingdom of Norway

2nd August, 1949.

The Italian Republic

3rd August, 1949.

The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

3rd August, 1949.

Now therefore the undersigned hereby declares, on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, that the said Statute entered into force on 3rd August, 1949, the date of the deposit of the seventh instrument of ratification, and that the Governments named above, on whose behalf ratifications have been deposited, became Members of the Council of Europe on that date.

Signed and sealed at the Foreign Office, London, this 3rd day of August, 1949.

[signature]

Head of the Treaty Department
of the Foreign Office.