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Notification to the Parties of the Convention on Jurisdiction and the Recognition and Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters, concluded at Lugano on 30 October 2007

Communications by the depositary with respect to the application of accession by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

With reference to its [notification of 14 April 2020](#), the depositary informs that:

- by communication received on 25 March 2021, the European Union informed that it was not able to provide the depositary with its reply to the application of the United Kingdom within the one-year target deadline provided in Article 72(3) of the Convention; it stressed that the absence of response does not constitute tacit agreement and stated that it will provide its response to the depositary in due course ; and
- by communication received on 30 March 2021, the Kingdom of Norway expressed its consent that the United Kingdom be invited to deposit its instrument of accession to the Convention.

According to article 72 of the Convention, the Depositary shall invite the United Kingdom to accede to the Convention only after having obtained the unanimous agreement of all the Contracting Parties. To date, the agreement of the European Union and of the Kingdom of Denmark is missing.

The Swiss Federal Council makes the present notification in its capacity as Depositary (www.fdfa.admin.ch/depositary).

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