

TRACTATENBLAD

VAN HET

KONINKRIJK DER NEDERLANDEN

JAARGANG 2020 Nr. 19

A. TITEL

Gastlandverdrag tussen het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden en de Verenigde Naties betreffende het United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs – Humanitarian Data Centre; New York, 11 juli 2017

Voor een overzicht van de verdragsgegevens, zie verdragsnummers 013484 en 013733 in de Verdragenbank.

B. TEKST

Bij briefwisseling tussen het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden en de Verenigde Naties is op 19 februari 2020 te New York een verdrag tot stand gekomen inzake wijziging van het Gastlandverdrag. De Engelse tekst van de brieven luidt als volgt:

Nr. I

UNITED NATIONS

New York, 19 February 2020

Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to our communications which have taken place with regard to the amendment of the Host State Agreement between the United Nations and the Kingdom of the Netherlands concerning the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs – Humanitarian Data Centre, done in New York, on 11 July 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the “Host State Agreement”) which established the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (hereinafter referred to as “OCHA”) Humanitarian Data Centre in The Hague.

As referenced in previous communications, in line with the mandate of OCHA, OCHA now seeks to expand its presence in the Kingdom of the Netherlands to further strengthen its information management and strategic communications coverage, partnerships and service delivery in support of its global mandate and field operations. To this end, OCHA wishes to establish an office in The Hague, into which the existing Humanitarian Data Centre will be subsumed.

In this connection, in accordance with Article 36 (1) of the Host State Agreement, I have the honor to propose that the said Host State Agreement shall be amended as follows:

- a) The title of the Host State Agreement shall be amended to
“Host State Agreement between the United Nations and the Kingdom of the Netherlands concerning the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in The Hague”;
- b) The Preamble of the Host State Agreement shall be replaced by the following text:
“Whereas the United Nations through its Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) wishes to establish an Office in The Hague, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, that will include the Humanitarian Data Centre established in 2017, to facilitate the implementation of its mandate;
Whereas the Kingdom of the Netherlands wishes to facilitate the work of OCHA in this regard;
Desiring to lay down conditions concerning the privileges, immunities, facilities and services of and related to the OCHA Office in The Hague, that will include the Humanitarian Data Centre, as are necessary for the fulfilment of the purposes of the Office;

- The United Nations and the Kingdom of the Netherlands have agreed as follows:"
- c) All references to "Centre" in the Host State Agreement shall be replaced by "Office", including:
- (i) the text of Article 1 (d) shall be replaced by "'Office' means the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in The Hague, including the Humanitarian Data Centre;"; and
 - (ii) in Article 2, paragraph 1, the words "a Centre" shall be replaced by the words "an Office".

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, I have the honour to propose that this letter and your Excellency's letter in reply shall constitute an Agreement amending the abovementioned Host State Agreement, which shall enter into force on the date of your letter in reply.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

MARK LOWCOCK
Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs
and Emergency Relief Coordinator

*His Excellency
Mr. Karel Jan Gustaaf van Oosterom
Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the United Nations
New York*

Nr. II

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS TO THE UNITED NATIONS

New York, 19 February 2020

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Excellency,

Hereby I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 19th, 2020, which reads as follows:

(Zoals in Nr. I)

I have the further honor to confirm, in the name of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, that the abovementioned proposal is acceptable and that Your Excellency's letter and the present one shall constitute an Agreement amending the said Host State Agreement, which shall enter into force on the date of this letter in reply.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

KAREL J.G. VAN OOSTEROM
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

*H.E. Mr. Mark Lowcock
Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator
Head of UNOCHA
New York*

D. PARLEMENT

Het in de brieven vervatte verdrag behoeft ingevolge artikel 7, onderdeel a, van de Rijkswet goedkeuring en bekendmaking verdragen juncto artikel 3 van de Wet van 24 december 1947 (*Stb.* H 452) houdende goedkeuring van het Verdrag nopens de voorrechten en immuniteiten van de Verenigde Naties niet de goedkeuring van de Staten-Generaal.

G. INWERKINGTREDING

De bepalingen van het in de brieven vervatte verdrag zijn ingevolge het gestelde in de voorlaatste alinea van de nota's nr. I en II op 19 februari 2020 in werking getreden.

Wat betreft het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden, geldt het in de brieven vervatte verdrag, evenals het Gastlandverdrag, voor Nederland (het Europese deel).

In overeenstemming met artikel 19, tweede lid, van de Rijkswet goedkeuring en bekendmaking verdragen heeft de Minister van Buitenlandse Zaken bepaald dat het in de brieven vervatte verdrag zal zijn bekendgemaakt in Nederland (het Europese deel) op de dag na de datum van uitgifte van dit Tractatenblad.

Uitgegeven de *vierentwintigste* februari 2020.

De Minister van Buitenlandse Zaken,

S.A. BLOK