

PROTOCOL TO AMEND THE CONVENTION FOR THE  
SUPPRESSION OF THE CIRCULATION OF AND  
TRAFFIC IN OBSCENE PUBLICATIONS, CONCLUDED  
AT GENEVA ON 12 SEPTEMBER 1923

The Protocol to amend the Convention for the Suppression of the Circulation of and Traffic in Obscene Publications, concluded at Geneva on 12 September 1923, was opened for signature at New York on 12 November 1947 and as it was signed by more than two States on that date, it came into force, in terms of Article V, on 12 November 1947. The Protocol was signed on behalf of New Zealand on 28 October 1948.

The Annex to the Protocol contains the amendments made to the Convention of 12 September 1923. For convenience of reference the text of the Convention of 1923, as amended by the Protocol, has been printed as an Appendix.

The Parties to the present Protocol, considering that under the Convention for the Suppression of the Circulation of and Traffic in Obscene Publications, concluded at Geneva on 12 September 1923, the League of Nations was invested with certain functions and powers for whose continued performance it is necessary to make provisions in consequence of the dissolution of the League of Nations, and considering that it is expedient that these functions and powers should be performed henceforth by the United Nations, hereby agree as follows :

ARTICLE I

The Parties to the present Protocol undertake that as between themselves they will, in accordance with the provisions of the present Protocol, attribute full legal force and effect to, and duly apply the amendments to this instrument which are set forth in the annex to the present Protocol.

ARTICLE II

The Secretary-General shall prepare the text of the Convention of 12 September 1923 for the Suppression of the Circulation of and Traffic in Obscene Publications as revised in accordance with the present Protocol, and shall send copies for their information to the Government of every Member of the United Nations and every non-member State to which this Protocol is open for signature or acceptance. He shall