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UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON CONTRACTS FOR THE
INTERNATIONAL SALE OF GOODS
CONCLUDED AT VIENNA ON 11 APRIL 1980

RATIFICATION BY ITALY AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

APPROVAL BY CHINA

FULFILLMENT OF THE CONDITIONS REQUIRED UNDER ARTICLE 99 (1)
FOR THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE CONVENTION

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

I

The following States have deposited with the Secretary-General their instrument of ratification or approval of the above-mentioned Convention on the dates indicated hereinafter:

<u>State</u>	<u>Ratification, approval (AA)</u>
China	11 December 1986 <u>AA</u>
Italy	11 December 1986
United States of America	11 December 1986

The instrument of approval by the Government of China and the instrument of ratification by the Government of the United States of America contain the following declarations:

CHINA

(Courtesy translation) (Original: Chinese)

The People's Republic of China does not consider itself to be bound by subparagraph (b) of paragraph 1 of Article 1 and Article 11 as well as the provisions in the Convention relating to the content of Article 11.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

(Original: English)

"Pursuant to article 95 the United States will not be bound by subparagraph (1) (b) of Article 1."

Attention: Treaty Services of Ministries of Foreign Affairs and of international organizations concerned



II

On 11 December 1986, the conditions provided for in article 99 (1) of the Convention were met, and accordingly the Convention will enter into force on 1 January 1988, i.e. the first day of the month following the expiration of twelve months after that date in accordance with the said article 99 (1).

As at 11 December 1986, the following instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession had been deposited on the dates indicated hereinafter:

<u>State</u>	<u>Ratification,</u> <u>acceptance (A)</u> <u>approval (AA)</u> <u>accession (a)</u>
Lesotho	18 June 1981
France	6 August 1982 <u>AA</u>
Syrian Arab Republic	19 October 1982 <u>a</u>
Egypt	6 December 1982 <u>a</u>
Hungary	16 June 1983
Argentina	19 July 1983 <u>a</u>
Yugoslavia	27 March 1985
Zambia	6 June 1986 <u>a</u>
China	11 December 1986 <u>AA</u>
Italy	11 December 1986
United States of America	11 December 1986

9 February 1987

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