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Objective	To obtain the approval of HCCH Members on the Country Profile - Update under the 2007 Child Support Convention. The Country Profile assists Contracting Parties with the fulfilment of their obligations under the 2007 Convention such as providing information on: (1) the authorities designated; (2) the services provided; and (3) a description of their laws and procedures concerning maintenance obligations. Changes highlighted in <a href="yellow">yellow</a> show changes made to the September 2011 version of the document. In the absence of any objection to such changes within six weeks of its circulation, the Country Profile will be taken to be approved.
Action to be Taken	For Decision  For Approval  For Discussion  For Action / Completion  For Information
Related Documents	- Prel. Doc. No 3 (final) of September 2011 - Country Profile 2007 Child Support Convention - Prel. Doc. No 18 of January 2024 (revised version approved by the 2023 SC) - Revised Country Profile for the 1980 Child Abduction Convention - Prel. Doc. No 7 of December 2023 (third revised version) - 2000 Protection of Adults Convention Country Profile

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### 2007 Child Support Convention: Country Profile - Update

#### **Foreword to the Country Profile**

A Contracting State may use this Country Profile to fulfil its obligations to provide information to the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) under the Hague Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and other Forms of Family Maintenance (2007 Convention or Convention) (see Art. 57(2)).

The document is divided into two stages. Stage 1 includes information provided through a series of tick boxes and required under Articles 4(3), 6(3) and 57 of the 2007 Convention and other information that will be necessary for the implementation of the Convention. Stage 2 includes additional information, in narrative form, necessary for the implementation of the Convention and fulfilment of the requirements of Article 57.

The Country Profile is a standardised document that will be available to States to complete, view, and update electronically. The purposes of the Country Profile are to describe how each of the Convention obligations will be met and how the laws and procedures concerning maintenance obligations are implemented, as well as to provide information to other Contracting States. The Country Profile is intended to facilitate:

- a) timely compliance with the obligations of the Convention with a minimum of administrative effort;
- b) information exchange between Contracting States;
- c) cost effective translation of the information provided by Contracting States into English, French, Spanish, and other languages as required by Contracting States;
- d) accurate and prompt case processing by well\_-informed caseworkers;
- e) knowledgeable service to applicants under the Convention;
- f) prompt updates of the information provided.

This Country Profile is based on the final text of the *Hague Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and other Forms of Family Maintenance 2007 Convention* as agreed at the Twenty-First Session of the *Hague Conference on Private International Law HCCH*, to be referred to, for the purposes of this document, as "the Convention".

This Country Profile is designed to reflect an implementation of the <u>2007</u> Convention where no declarations or reservations in relation to the compulsory scope of the Convention have been made. If States file declarations to expand the scope of the Convention to other family members, an expanded Country Profile will be available in the near future to provide the necessary information. Declarations and reservations to the Convention can be found on the <u>Hague Conference HCCH</u> website (< www.hcch.net >).

The Country Profile is a standardised document that will be available to States to complete, view, and update electronically. States are to prepare the Country Profile to provide information to other States. Where multiple answers to the questions are appropriate, States are encouraged to <a href="https://encountry.com/encountry">eheck-tick</a> all the tick boxes that apply. States made up of more than one territorial unit may choose to submit separate Country Profiles for each territorial unit.

States are encouraged to include Internet sites where that will provide additional relevant information. States should not provide an Internet site as a complete answer to any question.

The information in this Country Profile is not legal advice and should not be relied upon as a statement of the current law. For information on the current law on any particular issue, individuals should seek their own independent local legal advice.

<sup>1</sup> *I.e,* maintenance obligations arising from a parent-child relationship towards a person under the age of 21 years; recognition and enforcement or enforcement of a decision for spousal support when the application is made with a claim within the scope of sub-paragraph *a*); and, with the exception of Chapters II and III, to spousal support.

For clarifications on Convention terminology and substantive matters, users are encouraged to consult the Explanatory Report.

# Stage 1

# I. Central and other authorities designated by [name of your State]

### 1. Central Authority contact details (Art. 4)

1.2 Address	
1.3 Territorial and personal extent o functions, if applicable	F
1.4 Telephone	
1.5 Fax	
1.6 Email	
1.7 Website	
1.8 Contact person 1	Direct contact details Given name:  Family name:  Direct telephone:
	Direct email:
	Preferred language(s) of communication:
	Preferred method of communication:
	Phone
	Fax
	□Email
	Other method of communication (please specify):
1.9 Contact person 2, if applicable	Direct contact details Given name:
	Family name:
	Direct telephone:
	Direct email:
	Preferred language(s) of communication:
	Preferred method of communication:
	Phone
	Fax
	☐ Email
	Other method of communication (please specify):
Last Update: [INSERT DATE] <sup>2</sup>	

The "Last update" will be done automatically in the electronic format of the Profile.

### 2. Other designated Central Authority, if applicable (Art. 4)<sup>3</sup>

2.1	Organisation		
2.2	Address		
2.3	Territorial and personal extent of functions, if applicable		
2.4	Telephone		
2.5	Fax		
2.6	Email		
2.7	Website		
2.8	Contact person 1	Direct contact detailsGiven name:	
		Family name:	
		Direct telephone:	
		Direct email:	
		Preferred language(s) of communication:	
		Preferred method of communication:	
		Phone	
		☐ Fax	
		☐ Email	
		Other method of communication specify):	_(please
2.9	Contact person 2, if applicable	Direct contact detailsGiven name:	
		Family name:	
		Direct telephone:	
		Direct email:	
		Preferred language(s) of communication:	
		Preferred method of communication:	
		Phone	
		Fax	
		□ Email	
		Other method of communication specify):	(please
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3.	Language requirements (Art. 44 of the C	<del>Convention</del> )	

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This section will be expandable in order to allow for the inclusion of additional Central Authorities.

	application and related documents by accompanied by a translation_into the official language(s) of [name of your State or another language? If so, in what language?  (Article: 44(1) of the 2007_Convention)	e
3.2	Does [name of <u>your State</u> ] have more tha one official language?	n No Yes <mark>- (please specify <u>the languages):-</u></mark>
3.3	If [name of your State] has more than on official language in its territory an cannot, for reasons of internal law accept, for the whole of [name of you State], documents in one of thos languages, please specify the language i which documents or translations shall b drawn up for submission in the specific parts of its territory.	d   v, v, e   e   e   e
	(Article- 44(2) of the 2007 Convention)	
<u>Othe</u>	er communications	
	Central Authorities, does [name of you State] object to the use of either French of English?  (Articles 44(3) and 62 of the 200 Convention)	Or Object to English;
Last	Update: [INSERT DATE]	_ L
4.	of your State] Coming into force and territorial applic	application of the Convention in [name
<b>11. 4</b> . <b>4</b> .1.	of your State]	
4.	Of your State  Coming into force and territorial application  When did the 2007 Convention enter into force in [name of your State]?  Has [name of your State] objected to the accession of another State to the 2007 Convention?  Article 58(5) of the 2007 Convention	

4.4.	If [name of your State] is comprised of one or more overseas territories, please provide information about the applicability of the 2007 Convention to them.	Please list the territories that are bound by the 2007 Convention:  Please list the territories that are not bound by the 2007 Convention:
Last	Update: [INSERT DATE]	

# 5. General fFunctions of Central Authorities (Arts 5, and 6(1) and 6(3) and 51 of the Convention)<sup>4</sup>

5.1	Can the functions of the Central Authorities be performed by public bodies, or other bodies subject to the supervision of the competent authorities of [name of your State]?  (Article- 6(3) of the 2007 Convention)	☐ No ☐ Yes, please complete question <u>54.2b.</u> below-
5.2	Designation and contact details of any such public bodies or other bodies and the extent of their functions.  (Article- 6(3) of the 2007 Convention)	Name: Address:  Extent of functions: Telephone: Fax: E-mail: Website: Contact person(s):
5.3	How does [name of <u>your State</u> ] initiate or facilitate the institution of proceedings in respect of applications under Chapter III? (Article: 6(1)-(b) of the <u>2007 Convention</u> )	☐ The Central Authority has authority to initiates such proceedings; ☐ The Central Authority lacks authority does not to initiate such proceedings. It facilitates the initiation of proceedings by will referring the matter to the appropriate public body with authority that to initiates such proceedings; ☐ Other please specify: ☐ Other please specify: ☐ Other proceedings proceedings proceedings proceedings.
5.4	Does [name of your State] have an agreement with another Contracting State for the purpose of improving the application of the Convention between [name of your State] and that other Contracting State?  (Article- 51 of the 2007 Convention)	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>☐ Bilateral agreement (please specify):</li> <li>Please provide the title of the agreement and, if available, a web link to the agreement or attach a copy</li> <li>☐ Other (please specify):</li> </ul>

This section will be expandable in order to allow for the inclusion of additional authorities.

	Please provide the title of the agreement and, if available, a web link to the agreement <mark>or attach a copy</mark>
Last Update: [INSERT DATE]	<u> </u>
6. Effective access to procedures (Art. 14-e	of the Convention)
6.1 How does [name of <u>your State</u> ] provide applicants with effective access to procedures?	assistance in accordance with Articles 14 to 17 (Art. 14(2)). Please see Stage 1, Part 1. question I.6.1a below.  [name of your State] has procedures that enable the applicant to make the case without the need for legal assistance and the Central Authority provides such services as are necessary free of charge (Art. 14(3)).
enable the applicant to make the case without the need for legal assistance and the Central Authority provides such services as are necessary free of charge (Art. 14(3)).	The Central Authority is the competent authority and provides all necessary services with respect to the application  The Central Authority initiates proceedings by
please indicate the services available in [name of your State].  Please tick all the boxes that apply.	submitting the application to the competent authority and provides all necessary services with respect to the application
	The Central Authority refers the application to a public body for submission to the competent authority. The public body provides all necessary services with respect to the application
	The Central Authority refers the application to another body subject to the supervision of the competent authority. This body provides all necessary services with respect to the application
	Other (please specify):
Last Update: [INSERT DATE]	
7. Specific functions of the Central Auth Chapter III (Art. 6(2) of the Convention)	horities in relation to applications under
7.1 How does the Central Authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] provide or facilitate the provision of legal assistance in its jurisdiction?	☐ Legal assistance is not required in most cases.  Administrative assistance is provided. Legal assistance is provided where required;  ☐ Legal assistance is provided in all proceedings,
(Article- 6(2)(-a) of the 2007 Convention and for the definition of "legal assistance" see Art. 3(-c) of the 2007 Convention)	including appeals;  Other-(please specify):
	Where legal assistance is required:  Legal assistance is provided by lawyers employed by the Central Authority;

		Legal assistance is provided by lawyers employed in State legal assistance bodies;
		Legal assistance is provided by private lawyers and funded by the State;
		☐ Other <mark>-                                    </mark>
7.2	How does the Central Authority in [name of your_State] help locate a debtor or creditor resident in its territory?  (Article- 6(2)(-b) of the 2007_Convention)	☐ The Central Authority conducts a manual search, using the following publicly available directories: ☐ Telephone directory; ☐ Electoral roll; ☐ Other of please specify:
		☐ The Central Authority conducts an automated search, using the following government databases: ☐ Social security database; ☐ Taxation database; ☐ Employment database; ☐ Transportation database; ☐ Other [ [ please specify ]:
		The Central Authority refers a locate request to an appropriate public body, which provides locate services. Please specifyprovide details:
		The Central Authority refers a locate request to a private entity, which provides locate services. Please specifyprovide details:
		The Central Authority searches population registry databases.
		Other, steps taken to locate the debtor or creditor please specify:
7.3	As a requested State, how does the Central Authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] help obtain within its territory relevant information concerning the income and if necessary other financial circumstances, including the location of assets, of resident debtors or creditors?  (Article: 6(2)(-c) of the <u>2007</u> Convention)	☐ The Central Authority has access to the following information through available databases:  ☐ Salaries; ☐ Other income; ☐ Tax information; ☐ Receipt of public assistance; ☐ Financial institution records; ☐ Ownership of motor vehicles; ☐ Land and title registry; ☐ Moveable property registry; ☐ Other; please specify: ☐ Other; please specify: ☐ -
		The Central Authority refers the application to the appropriate public body that can obtain relevant financial and asset information. Please specify:
		The Central Authority will contact the debtor or creditor and request that the individual provide information about his or hertheir financial circumstances.

		<ul> <li>☐ The Central Authority will exercise legal powers to require that information be provided by persons or bodies, where applicable-</li> <li>☐ Other-(please specify):</li> </ul>
7.4	How does the Central Authority in [name of your State] encourage amicable solutions with a view to obtaining voluntary payment of maintenance, where suitable by use of mediation, conciliation, or similar processes?	☐ The use of mediation, conciliation, or similar processes is mandatory in every recovery of maintenance case; ☐ The use of mediation, conciliation, or similar processes is encouraged in every recovery of maintenance case;
	(Article: 6(2)(-d) of the 2007 Convention)	The use of mediation, conciliation, or similar processes depends upon the facts of the case. Please specify:;
		As a general rule, before introducing an enforcement procedure, an amicable solution is sought with the debtor, to whom the possibility to make voluntary payments is offered;
		Other steps taken to encourage amicable solutions, (please specify):
7.5	How does the Central Authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] facilitate the ongoing enforcement of maintenance decisions	☐ The Central Authority has enforcement responsibility. Enforcement remedies are listed in Stage 1, question Part IV, question -4-21a;
	including any arrears? (Article: 6(2)(-e) of the 2007 Convention)	The Central Authority refers an application requiring ongoing enforcement to the appropriate public body. Enforcement remedies are listed in Stage 1, question Part IV. question 4.21a;
		Other_steps_taken_to_facilitate_enforcement_please specify]:
7.6	How does the Central Authority in [name of your State] facilitate the collection and	Collection of payments within the requested State
	expeditious transfer of maintenance payments?	The Central Authority is responsible for the collection of maintenance payments.
	please refer to question 23 below.	The Central Authority is not responsible for the collection of maintenance. It refers an application requiring ongoing collection to the appropriate public body-
	(Article- 6(2)(-f) of the 2007 Convention)	The Central Authority is not responsible for the collection of maintenance payments. This collection is handled privately. Please indicate how these payments should be made:
		Methods of collection  Payments must be made to a central location;  Payments may be made at local locations;  Payment may be made by preauthorised withdrawal from a financial institution account;

		Payments may be made by payroll deductions; Payments may be made by cheque or warrant; Payments may be made by credit card; Payments may be made by electronic funds transfer; Payments may be made in cash; Payments may be made in cash; Other_methods of collection; (please specify):
		☐ The Central Authority or public body is responsible for transferring maintenance payments: ☐ Payments may be transferred by cheque; ☐ Payments may be transferred by electronic funds transfer.
		☐ The Central Authority, upon request from a Central Authority in the requesting State, will obtain and provide information from the appropriate public body concerning the transfer of maintenance payments-
		Other_means provided by the Central Authority to facilitate the transfer of payments, (please specify):
7.7	How does the Central Authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] facilitate the obtaining of documentary or other evidence domestically?  (Article- 6(2)(-g) of the <u>2007</u> Convention)	☐ Under domestic law, the Central Authority is responsible for the following: ☐ Issuing an administrative subpoena to obtain documentary or other evidence; ☐ Referring the matter to the appropriate competent authority to obtain documentary or other evidence; ☐ Seeking the voluntary submission of documentary or other evidence; ☐ Otherassistanceprovided;(please specify):
7.8	How does the Central Authority in [name of <u>your State</u> ] facilitate the obtaining of documentary or other evidence abroad? To which international instruments for the obtaining of documentary evidence or other evidence abroad is [name of <u>your State</u> ] a Contracting party?	☐ The following international instruments: ☐ 1970 Hague HCCH Evidence Convention (please consult the Country Profiles under the 1970 Evidence Convention); ☐ 1954 Hague HCCH Civil Procedure Convention;

Note: The 1970 Evidence Country Profile is currently being updated within the context of the e-CP project. This hyperlink will need to be updated once the new e-CP for Evidence is live on the HCCH website. This footnote will be deleted once the Country Profile is approved.

	(Article: 6(2)(-g) of the 2007 Convention)  Please consult the Hague Conference HCCH website for the contact details of the Central Authorities under the Hague HCCH Conventions.	AnoOther international instrument; (please specify):  Where no international instrument is applied, [name of your State] applies rules for the obtaining of evidence abroad under domestic law or under an instrument of a Regional Economic Integration Organisation;
7.9	How does the Central Authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] provide assistance in establishing parentage where necessary for the recovery of maintenance?  (Article- 6(2)(-h) of the 2007 Convention)	☐ The Central Authority will provide the following assistance, if necessary:  ☐ Co-ordinate genetic testing; ☐ Seek a voluntary acknowledgment of parentage; ☐ Seek a legal determination of parentage through a judicial proceeding; ☐ Seek a legal determination of parentage through an administrative proceeding; ☐ Otherassistanceprovided;(please specify):;
		The Central Authority will refer an application, where the establishment of parentage is necessary for the recovery of maintenance, to the appropriate competent authority. Please specify:
		If [name of <u>your State</u> ] is a Contracting Party to the 1954 <u>Hague-HCCH Civil Procedure Convention</u> or the 1970 <u>Hague-HCCH Evidence Convention or another international instrument, the Central Authority is able to provide advice on the appropriate procedures.</u>
		Other_assistance_provided; (please specify):
7.10	How does the Central Authority in [name of <a href="your_State">your_State</a> ] initiate or facilitate the	The Central Authority has authority to initiates such proceedings;
	institution of proceedings to obtain any necessary provisional measures that are territorial in nature and the purpose of which is to secure the outcome of a pending maintenance application (e.g., freezing or attaching an asset)?	The Central Authority does not lacks authority to initiate such proceedings. It facilitates the initiation of proceedings by will referring the matter to the appropriate public body thatte initiates such proceedings;
	(Article- 6(2)(-i) of the 2007 Convention)	Such provisional measures are not available under domestic law;
		Other steps can be taken to secure the outcome of a pending maintenance application, (please specify):
7.11	How does the Central Authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] facilitate service of documents domestically?  (Article-6(2)(-j) of the 2007 Convention)	☐ Under domestic law the Central Authority is responsible for the following: ☐ Service of documents; ☐ Forwarding the documents needing to be served to the appropriate public body;

	☐ Forwarding the documents needing to be served to a private contractor; ☐ Otherassistanceprovided;(please specify):; ☐ Under domestic law the Central Authority provides notification in lieu of service;
7.12 How does the Central Authority in [name of your State] facilitate the service abroad of documents? To which international instruments on the service abroad of documents is [name of your State] a Contracting Party?  (Article- 6(2)(-j) of the Convention)  Please consult the Hague Conference HCCH website for the contact details of the Central Authorities under the Hague HCCH Conventions.	The following international instruments:  1965 Hague HCCH Service Convention (please consult the Country Profile under the 1965 Service Convention);  1954 Hague HCCH Civil Procedure Convention;  AnoOther international instrument; (please specify):  Where no international instrument is applied, [name of your State] applies rules for the service abroad of documents under domestic law or under an instrument of a Regional Economic Integration Organisation;
Last Update: [INSERT DATE]	

# III. Information concerning applications under the Convention

### 8. Means of communication (Art. 13)

8.1	Which secure means of communication are	Mail
	generally accepted in [name of your State] to receive applications / requests / related documents?	iSupport with e-CODEX / An electronic communication system using e-CODEX that is interoperable with iSupport
	Please tick all boxes that apply.	Secure e-mail
		Secure drop box
		Other secure means of communication (please specify):
8.2	If applications / requests can be received	No document needs to be sent by mail
	through secure electronic communications in [name of your State], are there any documents that still need to be sent by mail?	The following documents still need to be sent by mail (please specify):
		Applications and requests (please specify which types of applications and requests):
		Certified documents

		Other documents supporting an application and / or request
		Acknowledgments of receipt
		Status reports
		Other documents (please specify):
	What means of communication are generally accepted in [name of your State] for the purpose of receiving communications other	iSupport with e-CODEX / An electronic communication system using e-CODEX that is interoperable with iSupport
	than applications / requests / related	Secure emails
!	documents?	Email (not for the transmission of personal data)
		Secure drop box
		Other means of communication (please specify):
9.	(Art. 10(1)(-a) and 10(2)(-a) of the Conve	
9.1	Has [name of <u>your</u> State] made a reservation to a basis for recognition and	No reservation has been made
	enforcement under Article 20(1)(-c) and (f) of the Convention?	Yes, a reservation has been made for the following bases:
	(Art. 20(1)( c) and (f) of the 2007 Convention)	The creditor was habitually resident in the State of origin at the time proceedings were instituted;
		☐ The decision was made by an authority exercising jurisdiction on a matter of personal status or parental responsibility, unless that jurisdiction was based solely on the nationality of one of the parties.
9.2	The following is information required by	About the applicant:
	Articles 11 and 25 of the 2007 Convention to be included in an	□ Full name (required);     □ Date of birth (required);
	application for recognition or recognition and enforcement of a maintenance	Address (required);
	decision made in another Contracting State.	
	** It is important to note that provisions	About the respondent:    Full name (required);
	on the protection of personal data,	☐ Date of birth (required if known);
	confidentiality and non-disclosure of information to protect the health, safety or	Address (required if known);
	liberty of a person are contained in Articles 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007	About the person for whom maintenance is sought:    Full name (required);
	Convention.  (Arts 11, 25, 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007)	□ Date of birth (required);
	Convention)	Other information:
		Nature of the application (required);

		$oxed{\boxtimes}$ The grounds upon which the application is
		based (required);
		$oxed{\boxtimes}$ If the applicant is the creditor or the
		representative of the creditor, information
		concerning where the maintenance payment
		should be sent or electronically transmitted
		(required) <del>;</del>
		The name and contact details of the person or
		unit from the Central Authority responsible for
		processing the application (required)-
9.3	According to Articles 11(3) and 25 of the	Decisions
9.3	2007 Convention, the following	A complete text of the decision or decisions;
	documents are the only documents that a	
	State can require for recognition or	A complete copy of the decision certified by the
	recognition and enforcement of a	competent authority in the State of origin
	maintenance decision made in another	(Art. 25(3)(-a)) <del>;</del>
	Contracting State.	An abstract or extract of the decision drawn up
	(Arts 11(2) and 25 of the 2007	by the competent authority of the State of origin, in
	(Arts 11(3) and 25 of the 2007 Convention)	lieu of the complete text of the decision or
		decisions (Art. 25(3)(-b)):;
	Please tick all boxes that apply.	
		Recognition and enforcement
		A document stating that the decision is
		enforceable in the State of origin (required);
		☐ In the case of a decision by an administrative
		authority, a document stating that the
		requirements of Article 19(3) are met unless that
		State has specified in accordance with Article 57
		that decisions of its administrative authorities
		always meet those requirements;
		[name of the your State] does not require a
		document stating that the requirements of
		Article 19(3) are met;
		Display notice / appoint with to be bound
		Proper notice / opportunity to be heard  ☐ If the respondent did not appear and was not
		represented in the proceedings in the State of
		origin, a document or documents attesting, as
		appropriate, either that the respondent had proper
		notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be
		heard, or that the respondent had proper notice of
		the decision and the opportunity to challenge or to
		appeal it on fact and law (required);
		(, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
		<u>Arrears</u>
		$\boxtimes$ A document showing the amount of any arrears
		and the date such amount was calculated
		(required, if there are arrears to be enforced where
		<del>necessary</del> ) <del>;</del>
		Indexation
		In the case of a decision providing for automatic
		adjustment by indexation, aA document providing
		the information necessary to make the appropriate
		calculations (required where necessary where the

		decision provides for automatic adjustment indexation)];  Legal assistance  Documentation showing the extent to which the applicant received free legal assistance in the Star of origin (required, where necessary);
9.4	Does [name of your State] have a prescribed or preferred form for an application to recognise and enforce a decision? If so, please attach provide a link to a copy, a website or both.  Can [name of your State] accept an application and related documents transmitted by electronic means?	☐ No ☐ Yes – the standard recommended for published by the Hague ConferenceHCCH; ☐ Yes – the form is attached or available through a linked website (please provide): or both ☐ No ☐ Yes, please specify:
9.5	Are there any differences to the information above when the application is made by a public body acting in place of an individual to whom maintenance is owed or a public body which claims reimbursement of benefits provided in place of maintenance?	☐ No ☐ Yes <mark>- (</mark> please specify <mark>): -</mark>
	(Article: 36 of the 2007 Convention)	
10.1	Has [name of <u>your</u> State] made a reservation in accordance with Article 62 reserving the right not to recognise and enforce a maintenance arrangement?	<ul><li>☐ No reservation has been made</li><li>☐ Yes, a reservation has been made</li></ul>
	(Article- 30(8) of the 2007 Convention)	
10.2	Has [name of <u>your</u> State] made a declaration in accordance with Article 63 that applications for recognition or recognition and enforcement of a maintenance arrangement can only be made through Central Authorities?	<ul> <li>No declaration has been made.</li> <li>Yes, a declaration has been made. Plea consult the HCCH website.</li> </ul>
	(Article: 30(7) of the 2007 Convention):	
10.3	The following is information required by	About the applicant:
	Article 11 of the 2007 Convention to be included in an application for recognition or recognition and enforcement of a maintenance arrangement made in another Contracting State.	Full name (required);  Date of birth (required);  Address (required);  Contact details (required);

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	Articles 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention.  (Arts 11, 30, 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention)	About the person for whom maintenance is sought:  Full name (required);  Date of birth (required);  Other information:  Nature of the application (required);  The grounds upon which the application is based (required);  If the applicant is the creditor or the representative of the creditor, information concerning where the maintenance payment should be sent or electronically transmitted (required);
		∑ The name and contact details of the person or unit from the Central Authority responsible for processing the application (required).
10.4	According to Article 30(3) of the 2007 Convention, the following documents	
	shall be provided with an application for recognition or recognition and enforcement of a maintenance arrangement made in another Contracting State.	
10.5	In addition to the documents required under Article 30(3) of the 2007 Covention, what other documents should accompany an application for recognition or recognition and enforcement of a maintenance arrangement made in another Contracting State?  (Articles 11(3) and 25 of the 2007 Convention)	☐ A document showing the amount of any arrears and the date such amount was calculated (if there are arrears to be enforced where necessary);  ☐ In the case of a maintenance arrangement providing for automatic adjustment by indexation, aA document providing the information necessary to make the appropriate calculations (where necessary where the arrangement provides for automatic adjustment by indexation);  ☐ Documentation showing the extent to which the applicant received free legal assistance in the State of origin (where necessary);  ☐ Other_documents, (please specify):
10.6	Does [name of your State] have a prescribed or preferred form for an application to recognise and enforce a maintenance arrangement? If so, please provide a link to attach a copy, a website or both.	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes - the standard recommended form published by the Hague Conference HCCH;</li> <li>Yes - the form is attached or available through a linked website (please provide): or both.</li> </ul>
	Can [name of <u>your_</u> State] accept an application and related documents transmitted by electronic means?	Yes, please specify:
10.7	Are there any differences to the information above when the application is made by a public body acting in place of an individual to whom maintenance is	☐ No ☐ Yes <mark>- (</mark> please specify):

owed or a public body which claims reimbursement of benefits provided in place of maintenance?	
(Article- 36 of the 2007 Convention)	
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# 11. Applications for enforcement of a decision made or recognised in [name of $\underline{your}$ State] (Art. 10(1)(b) of the Convention)

11.1	In addition to pre-tichecked application contents required by Article 11 of the 2007 Convention, what information does [name of your State] need in order to process an application for enforcement of a maintenance decision made or recognised in [name of your State]?  ** It is important to note that provisions on the protection of personal data, confidentiality, and page disclosure of	About the applicant:  ☐ Full name (required); ☐ Date of birth (required); ☐ Address (required); ☐ Contact details (required); ☐ Personal identification number (such as the social security number); ☐ Other; information to be provided (please specify): ☐ -
	confidentiality and non-disclosure of information to protect the health, safety or liberty of a person are contained in Articles 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention.	About the respondent:
	(Arts 11, 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007	
	Convention)	Telephone number, if known;
		Financial circumstances, as appropriate, and to
		the extent known;
		☐ Name and address of employer, as appropriate,
		and to the extent known <del>;</del>
		Nature and location of assets, as appropriate,
		and to the extent known <del>;</del>
		Any other information that may assist in locating
		the respondent, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
		Personal identification number (such as the
		social security number);
		Other, information to be provided (please
		specify):
		About the person for whom maintenance is sought:
		Care arrangements;
		Personal identification number (such as the
		social security number) <del>;</del>
		Other, information to be provided (please
		specify):
		Other information:

		If the applicant is the creditor or the representative of the creditor, information concerning where the maintenance payment should be sent or electronically transmitted (required);
11.2	Has [name of <u>your State</u> ] specified by declaration any documents that must accompany the application to enforce a maintenance decision made or recognised in [name of <u>your State</u> ]?	☐ No_declaration has been made ☐ Yes_a declaration has been made., Pplease consult the Hague Conference HCCH website
	(Article- 11(1)(-g) of the 2007 Convention)	
11.3	In addition to documents specified by declaration, what <u>documents</u> should	A complete text of the decision or decisions:
	accompany an application to enforce a maintenance decision made or recognised in [name of <u>your State</u> ]?	A complete copy of the decision certified by the competent authority in the State of origin:——;
	Please specify if certification is required for copies.	☐ A document showing the amount of any arrears and the date such amount was calculated (where necessary):———;
		☐ In the case of a decision providing for automatic adjustment by indexation, a document providing the information necessary to make the appropriate calculations (where necessary):;
		☐ Documentation showing the extent to which the applicant received free legal assistance in the State of origin (where necessary):———;
		Other, documents to be provided (please specify):———.
11.4	Can [name of your State] accept an	□No
	application to enforce a decision for a prior period only (e.g., retroactive maintenance decision or arrears-only decision)?	Yes, (please specify any requirements for such an application):
11.5	Does [name of your State] have a	□No
	prescribed or preferred form for an application to enforce a maintenance decision made or recognised in [name of	Yes – the standard recommended form published by the Hague Conference HCCH;
	your State]? If sepossible, please attach provide a copylink.	Yes – the form is attached or available through a linked website (please provide): or both.
	Can [name of your State] accept an	<del>-No</del>
	application and related documents transmitted by electronic means?	Yes, please specify :
11.6	Are there any differences to the information above when the application is	□No

an individual to owed or by a p reimbursement	body acting in place of whom maintenance is ublic body which claims of benefits provided in enance? If so, please	Yes <mark>- (please specify):</mark>
(Art <u>icle</u> - 36 of the	e 2007 Convention)	
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in [name of your	State] (Arts 30(2) and 1	tenance arrangement made or recognised LO(1)(-b) of the Convention)
contents require 2007 Conventio [name of your process an appli a maintenance recognised in [na ** It is importan on the protect confidentiality information to pr liberty of a pe Articles 38, 39 Convention.	are-tichecked application of by Article 11 of the and the information does state] need in order to cation for enforcement of arrangement made or time of your State]?  It to note that provisions ion of personal data, and non-disclosure of otect the health, safety or rison are contained in and 40 of the 2007.  December 2007	About the applicant:    Full name (required);   Date of birth (required);   Address (required);   Contact details (required);   Personal identification number (such as the social security number);   Other, please specify:   Full name (required);   Date of birth (required if known);   Telephone number, if known;   Telephone number, if known;   Financial circumstances, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Name and address of employer, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Nature and location of assets, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Any other information that may assist in locating the respondent, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Personal identification number (such as the social security number);   Other, please specify:   Date of birth (required);   Date of birth (required);   Care arrangements;   Personal identification number (such as the social security number);   Other, please specify:   The grounds upon which the application is based (required);   If the applicant is the creditor or the representative of the creditor, information concerning where the maintenance payment should be sent or electronically transmitted

(required);

		☐ The name and contact details of the person or unit from the Central Authority responsible for processing the application (required).
		Other information, (please specify): -
12.2	Has [name of <u>your</u> State] specified by declaration any documents that must accompany the application to enforce a maintenance arrangement made or recognised in [name of <u>your</u> State]?	<ul> <li>No_declaration has been made</li> <li>Yes, a declaration has been made. Pplease consult the Hague Conference HCCH website.</li> </ul>
	(Article-11(1)(-g) of the 2007 Convention)	
12.3	In addition to documents specified by declaration, what <u>documents</u> should accompany an application to enforce a maintenance arrangement made or	☐ A complete text of the maintenance arrangement: ☐ A document showing the amount of any arrears and the date such amount was calculated (where
	recognised in [name of <u>your State</u> ]? Please specify if certification is required	necessary): ;
	for copies.	In the case of a maintenance arrangement providing for automatic adjustment by indexation, a document providing the information necessary to make the appropriate calculations (where necessary):
		Documentation showing the extent to which the applicant received free legal assistance in the State of origin (where necessary):
		Other, documents (please specify):
12.4	Can [name of <u>your State</u> ] accept an application to enforce a maintenance arrangement for a prior period only <u>(e.g., retroactive maintenance arrangement or arrears-only maintenance arrangement)?</u>	No Yes, (please specify any requirements for such an application):
12.5	Does [name of <u>your</u> State] have a prescribed or preferred form for an application to enforce a maintenance arrangement made or recognised in [name of <u>your</u> State]? If <u>sepossible</u> , please attach_provide a <u>eopylink</u> .	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes – the standard recommended form published by the Hague Conference HCCH;</li> <li>Yes – the form is attached or available through a linked website (please provide):or_both.</li> </ul>
	Can [name of your_State] accept an application and related documents transmitted by electronic means?	Yes, please specify:
12.6	Are there any differences to the information above when the application is made by a public body acting in place of an individual to whom maintenance is owed or by a public body which claims reimbursement of benefits provided in place of maintenance? If so, please specify.	☐ No ☐ Yes <mark>; (</mark> please specify <mark>)</mark> :
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# 13. Applications to establish a decision in [name of <u>your State</u>] (Art. 10(1)(-c) and (d)-of the Convention)

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13.1	In any action to establish maintenance, including Article $10(1)$ —(c) and (d) applications, what are the jurisdictional bases in [name of your State] for establishing a maintenance decision?	The debtor is habitually resident in [name of your State] at the time proceedings are instituted;
		The debtor submits to the jurisdiction either expressly or by defending on the merits of the case without objecting to the jurisdiction at the first available opportunity;
		The creditor is habitually resident in [name of your State] at the time proceedings are instituted;
		The child for whom maintenance is sought is habitually resident in [name of <u>your</u> State] at the time proceedings are instituted, provided that the debtor has lived with the child in [name of <u>your</u> State] or has resided in [name of <u>your</u> State] and provided maintenance for the child there;
		The authority has jurisdiction on a matter of personal status or parental responsibility that is not based solely on the nationality of one of the parties;
		☐ Nationality of the creditor;
		☐ Nationality of the person for whom maintenance is sought;
		☐ Nationality of the debtor <del>;</del>
		Other <mark>, (</mark> please specify <mark>):</mark>
13.2	In any action to establish maintenance, including Article 10(1)(—c) and (d) applications, could the law of another State apply for the establishment of a maintenance decision?	☐ No  ☐ Yes, in accordance with:  ☐ 2007
13.3	When making an application for establishment, its it possible to seek enforcement of a decision by indicating so in the application for establishment?	<ul> <li>☐ Yes, another application is not needed if enforcement is requested in the application for establishment;</li> <li>☐ No, a separate application for enforcement is required</li> </ul>
13.4	In addition to pre-tichecked application contents required by Article 11 of the 2007 Convention, what information does [name of your State] need in order to	About the applicant:

process an application to establish a	Address (required)
maintenance decision?	Contact details (required);
** It is important to note that provisions on the protection of personal data, confidentiality and non-disclosure of	$\hfill \Box$ Financial circumstances, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
information to protect the health, safety or liberty of a person are contained in	$\hfill \square$ Assets and liabilities, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
Articles 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention.	$\hfill \square$ Personal identification number (such as the Social security number);
	Other <mark>, information (</mark> please specify):
(Arts 11, 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention)	About the respondent:  ⊠ Full name (required);
	□ Date of birth (required if known);
	Address (required if known);
	Telephone number, if known;
	Financial circumstances, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	☐ Name and address of employer, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	☐ Nature and location of assets, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	Any other information that may assist in locating the debtor, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	Personal identification number (such as the social security number);
	Other <mark>- information (</mark> please specify <mark>):</mark> -
	About the person for whom maintenance is sought: ⊠ Full name (required);
	□ Date of birth (required);
	☐ Identification of parents;
	☐ Care arrangements;
	Personal identification number (such as the social security number);
	Other <mark>, information (</mark> please specify <mark>):</mark>
	Other information:  ☑ Nature of the application (required);
	$\boxtimes$ The grounds upon which the application is based (required);
	Amount of maintenance sought by the applicant;
	☑ If the applicant is the creditor or the creditor's representative, information concerning where the maintenance payment should be sent or electronically transmitted (required);

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		☐ The name and contact details of the person or unit from the Central Authority responsible for processing the application (required);
		Case history, please specify (i.e., if there is an agreement between the parties or not);
		Family history, please specify ( <i>i.e.</i> , if the parties were married, how many children);
		☐ The date from which maintenance is requested;
		The applicant's view of the appropriate amount of maintenance;
		Other information (please specify):
13.5	Has [name of your State] specified by	No declaration has been made
	declaration any documents that must accompany the application to establish a maintenance decision in [name of your State]?	Yes, a declaration has been made. Pplease consult the Hague Conference HCCH website
	$\{Art\underline{icle}, 11(1)(-g) \text{ of the } \underline{2007} \text{ Convention}\}$	
13.6	In addition to documents specified by	Evidence of birth (birth certificate)-
	declaration, what <u>documents</u> should accompany an application to establish a maintenance decision? Please specify if certification is required for copies.	Evidence supporting an obligation to provide maintenance.  Yes, p Please see Stage 1, Part II, question
	(Article- 11(3) of the 2007 Convention)	134.9II.5.i.  Financial statement:
	(	☐ Creditor <del>;</del>
		☐ Child <del>;</del> ☐ Person having care of the child.
		Documents supporting the financial statement above (e.g., salary statement, income tax declaration, health insurance invoice); please specify:
		Child who has not reached the age of majority:  Evidence of attendance at secondary or post-secondary educational institution (e.g., college or university);
		<ul> <li>College of university);</li> <li>Evidence of disability;</li> <li>Other, please specify:</li> <li>-</li> </ul>
		☐ Child who has reached the age of majority: ☐ Evidence of attendance at secondary or post-secondary educational institution_(e.g., college or university); ☐ Evidence of disability; ☐ Other, (please specify): ☐ -
		Any existing maintenance decisions or written agreements between the parties, or relating to any person for whom maintenance is sought;
		Decision of the requested State to refuse recognition and enforcement (where applicable);
		Other, documents (please specify):

	Can [name of <u>your</u> State] accept an application and related documents transmitted by electronic means?	Yes, please specify:
13.7	Is there a time limit before which an applicant must seek a decision establishing a maintenance obligation? If so, please indicate the time limit that applies.  ** It is important to note that a law other than the law of the requested State may be applicable.	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes the application must be made:         <ul> <li>Before Within</li> <li>years after the parents separate</li> <li>Please specify number of years;</li> <li>Before the expiration of the normal duration of support (see Stage 1, Part III, question III.1.g165.87);</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other Within another time frame; (please specify</li> </ul>
13.8	Is it necessary for an applicant to prove that an obligation to provide maintenance exists when an application is made to establish a maintenance decision?	the time limit): -  No Yes
13.9	If soves to the above question 13.89, by what means can an applicant prove that an obligation to provide maintenance exists?	Applicant provides a marriage certificate showing that the debtor was married to a parent of the child when the child was born;
	exists:	Applicant provides a civil union certificate showing that the debtor was in a civil union with a parent of the child when the child was born;
		Applicant provides a formal statement stating that the debtor was living with the parent of the child when the child was born;
		Applicant provides a marriage certificate showing that the debtor was married to a parent of the child when the child was conceived;
		Applicant provides a civil union certificate showing that the debtor was in a civil union with a parent of the child when the child was conceived;
		Applicant provides a formal statement stating that the debtor was living with a parent of the child when the child was conceived;
		Applicant provides a formal statement stating that the debtor is a parent of the child;
		Applicant provides a copy of a birth certificate showing that the debtor is listed as a parent of the child;
		Applicant provides a copy of an entry in a birth registry showing that the debtor is listed as a parent of the child;
		Applicant provides a copy of a writing document in which the alleged debtor has acknowledged parentage;
		Applicant provides a copy of an adoption certificate stating that the debtor has legally adopted the child;

		Applicant provides a copy of genetic test results that indicate a high probability that the debtor is a parent of the child;
		Applicant provides a formal statement stating that for the first two years of the child's life, the debtor resided in the same household with the child and openly held the child out as the party's own;
		Applicant provides a copy of a decision in which a competent authority has established parentage;
		Applicant provides a formal statement stating that the applicant has care and control of the child;
		Other_means can be used to establish that an obligation to provide child support exists, (please specify):
13.10	Is there any time limit for establishing parentage or an obligation to provide maintenance? If so, please indicate the time limit that applies.  ** It is important to note that a law other than the law of the requested State may be applicable.	No  Yes, the application must be made:  Before expiration of the normal duration of support (see Stage 1, Part III, question III.1.g165.87);  Before the c€hild is aged 2;  Before the c€hild is aged 5;  Other_limitation_applies; (please specify):  ""
13.11	What costs arise in [name of <u>your State</u> ] for the applicant when obtaining a maintenance decision, including appeal procedures? Please include all costs arising in practice—(e.g., court costs, fees for an administrative authority, costs for experts, legal costs).	Court costs  Fees for an administrative authority  Costs for experts  Legal costs  Other costs (please specify):
13.12	Can the applicant claim reimbursement from the debtor of expenses incurred (e.g., for a lawyer)?	☐ No ☐ Yes- (please specify which costs can be claimed and any requirements for the claim):
13.13	Does [name of your State] have a prescribed or preferred form for an application to establish a maintenance decision? If so, please attach a copy, provide a link to a website or both.	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes, the standard recommended form published by the Hague Conference HCCH;</li> <li>Yes, the form is attached or available through a linked website (please provide):or both.</li> </ul>
13.14	Are there any differences to the information above when the application is made by a public body acting in place of an individual to whom maintenance is owed or by a public body which claims reimbursement of benefits provided in place of maintenance? If so, please specify.  (Article- 36 of the 2007 Convention)	☐ No ☐ Yes <mark>- (</mark> please specify <mark>): -</mark>

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# 14. Applications to modify a maintenance decision made in [name of <u>your State</u>] (Art. 10(1)(-e) and 10(2)(-b)-of the Convention)

14.1	In any action to modify a maintenance decision, under Article 10(1)(-e) and 10(2)(-b) applications, could the law of another State apply for the modification of maintenance decisions?  Please <a href="mailto:check-tick">check-tick</a> all <a href="mailto:the boxes">the boxes</a> that apply.	☐ No  ☐ Yes, in accordance with:  ☐ 2007
14.2	In addition to pre-tichecked application contents required by Article 11_of the 2007 Convention, what information does [name of_your State] need in order to process an application to modify a maintenance decision made in [name of your State]?  ** It is important to note that provisions on the protection of personal data, confidentiality and non-disclosure of information to protect the health, safety or liberty of a person are contained in Articles 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention.  (Arts 11, 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention)	About the applicant:    Full name (required);   Date of birth (required);   Address (required);   Contact details (required);   Telephone number, if known;   Financial circumstances, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Assets and liabilities, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Personal identification number (such as the Social security number);   Other_information; please specify:   About the respondent:   Full name (required);   Date of birth (required if known);   Telephone number, if known;   Telephone number, if known;   Telephone number, if known;   Name and address of employer, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Name and location of assets, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Any other information that may assist in locating the debterespondent, as appropriate, and to the extent known;   Personal identification number (such as the social security number);

		Other_information; (please specify):
		About the person for whom maintenance is sought:
		Full name (required);
		☐ Date of birth (required);
		Care arrangements;
		Personal identification number (such as the social security number);
		Other information, (please specify):
		Other information:  ☑ Nature of the application (required);
		$\boxtimes$ The grounds upon which the application is based (required);
		☑ If the applicant is the creditor or the representative of the creditor, information concerning where the maintenance payment should be sent or electronically transmitted (required);
		☐ The name and contact details of the person or unit from the Central Authority responsible for processing the application (required);
		☐ Modified amount of maintenance sought by the applicant;
		Other information; (please specify:
14.3	Has [name of your State] specified by	No declaration has been made
	declaration any documents that must accompany the application to modify a maintenance decision in [name of your State]?	Yes, a <u>declaration has been made. Pp</u> lease consult the <u>Hague Conference HCCH</u> website.
	$\{Art\underline{icle}, 11(1)(-g) \text{ of the } \underline{2007} \text{ Convention}\}$	
14.4	In addition to documents specified by declaration, what <u>documents</u> should	Complete text of the decision or decisions:
	accompany an application to modify a maintenance decision made in [name of	Special expense claim:;
	your State]? Please specify if certification is required for copies.	Salary statement establishing a change in income:
		☐ Written agreement between the parties related to modification of the maintenance:;
		☐ Information identifying the decision to be modified:
		Latest income tax declaration of the applicant, if possible:;
		☐ Other_documents, (please specify):
14.5	In what circumstances can an application be made for modification of a	☐ The circumstances of the child have changed so as to justify the modification;
	maintenance decision made in [name of your State]?	☐ The circumstances of the debtor have changed so as to justify the modification;

		The circumstances of the creditor have changed so as to justify the modification;
		The circumstances of the person having care of the child have changed so as to justify the modification;
		The care arrangements for the child have changed so as to justify the modification;
		The cost of living has changed to such an extent as to justify the modification;
		If the decision was made by consent, the amount ordered to be paid is no longer appropriate or adequate;
		Other circumstances, (please specify):
14.6	Can the modification be made retroactively? If so, please specify the	□No
	basis and any limitations.	Yes, please specify the basis and any limitations on a decision for retroactive maintenance:
	Can [name of <u>your_</u> State] accept an application and related documents	<del>No</del>
	transmitted by electronic means?	Yes, please specify:
14.7	Does [name of your State] have a	□ No
	prescribed or preferred form for an application to modify a maintenance	Yes, the standard recommended form published by the Hague Conference HCCH;
	decision made in [name of <u>your State</u> ]? If	published by the Hagae definerence <u>rroom,</u>
		Yes, the form is attached or available through a
	so, please attach a copy orprovide a link to a website or both.	Yes, the form is attached or available through a linked website (please provide): or both.
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15.	so, please attach a copy or provide a link to a website or both.  Update: [INSERT DATE]  Applications to modify a maintenance of your State] (Art. 10(1)(-f) and 10(2)(-c)  In any action to modify a maintenance decision, under Article 10(1)(-f) and 10(2)(-c) applications, could the law of	linked website (please provide):or both.  decision made in a State other than [name ) of the Convention)  \[ \begin{align*} \text{No} \\ \end{align*} \text{Yes, in accordance with:} \end{align*}
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15.	so, please attach a copy or provide a link to a website or both.  Update: [INSERT DATE]  Applications to modify a maintenance of your State] (Art. 10(1)(-f) and 10(2)(-c)  In any action to modify a maintenance decision, under Article 10(1)(-f) and 10(2)(-c) applications, could the law of another State apply for the modification of	linked website (please provide):or both.  lecision made in a State other than [name ) of the Convention)  No Yes, in accordance with:  2007 Hague HCCH Maintenance Applicable Law Protocol;  1973 Hague HCCH Maintenance Convention (Applicable Law);
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<b>15</b> .	so, please attach a copy or provide a link to a website or both.  Update: [INSERT DATE]  Applications to modify a maintenance of your State] (Art. 10(1)(-f) and 10(2)(-c)  In any action to modify a maintenance decision, under Article 10(1)(-f) and 10(2)(-c) applications, could the law of another State apply for the modification of a maintenance decision?  Please check-tick all the boxes that apply.  In addition to application contents required by Article 11 of the Convention, what information does [name of your	linked website (please provide):
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** It is important to note that provisions on the protection of personal data,	Financial circumstances, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
confidentiality and non-disclosure of information to protect the health, safety or liberty of a person are contained in	Assets and liabilities, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
Articles 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007 Convention.	Personal identification number (such as the Social security number);
(Arts 11, 38, 39 and 40 of the 2007	Other <u>information, (</u> please specify <u>):</u>
<del>Convention)</del>	About the respondent:  ⊠ Full name (required);
	□ Date of birth (required if known);
	Address (required if known);
	☐ Telephone number, if known <del>;</del>
	$\hfill \Box$ Financial circumstances, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	□ Name and address of employer, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	□ Nature and location of assets, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	Any other information that may assist in locating the debtor, as appropriate, and to the extent known;
	Personal identification number (such as the social security number);
	Other <u>information, (</u> please specify):
	About the person for whom maintenance is sought: ⊠ Full name (required);
	□ Date of birth (required);
	Care arrangements;
	Personal identification number (such as the social security number);
	Other <u>information, (</u> please specify <u>):</u>
	Other information:  ☑ Nature of the application (required);
	$\boxtimes$ The grounds upon which the application is based (required);
	If the applicant is the creditor or the representative of the creditor, information concerning where the maintenance payment should be sent or electronically transmitted (required);
	∑ The name and contact details of the person or unit from the Central Authority responsible for processing the application (required);
	☐ Modified amount of maintenance sought by the applicant;

		Other_information; (please specify):
15.3	Has [name of <u>your</u> State] specified by declaration any documents that must accompany the application to modify a maintenance decision made in a State other than [name of <u>your</u> State]?	<ul> <li>No_declaration has been made</li> <li>Yes, a declaration has been made. Pplease consult the Hague Conference HCCH website.</li> </ul>
	(Article-11(1)(-g) of the 2007 Convention)	
15.4	In addition to documents specified by declaration, what <u>documents</u> should accompany an application to modify a maintenance decision made in a State other than [name of <u>your State</u> ]?  Please specify if certification is required for copies.	Complete text of the decision or decisions:
		Other_documents; (please specify):
<b>15.5</b>	Are the circumstances in which a maintenance decision made by another State can be modified in [name of your State] the same as the circumstances in which a decision made by [name of your State] can be modified? In [name of your State], are the circumstances for modification of a maintenance decision made in another State the same as the circumstances for modification of a maintenance decision made in [name of your State]?  ** It is important to note that a law other than the law of the requested State may be applicable.	No. Please specify the difference:  Yes. See reply to Stage 1, Part II, question II.4.e.  10.65 above.
15.6	Does [name of <u>your</u> State] have a prescribed or preferred form for an application to modify a maintenance decision made in a State other than [name of <u>your</u> State]? If so, please attach a copy or provide a link to a website or both.  Can [name of <u>your</u> State] accept an	☐ No ☐ Yes - the standard recommended form published by the Hague Conference HCCH; ☐ Yes - the form is attached or available through a linked website (please provide):or both.
	application and related documents transmitted by electronic means?	Yes, please specify:
15.7	Can the modification be made retroactively? If so, please specify the basis and any limitations.	No. a retroactive modification may not be made  Yes. (please specify the basis and any limitations on the retroactive modification of maintenance):
15.8	If the State of origin modifies a maintenance decision after [name of your State] have recognised it, can [name of	□ No

your State] recognise the modification? # so, please specify any limitations and outline the key steps or requirements.	
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Effective access to procedures (Art. 14 of the	(Convention)
How does [name of your State] provide	,
applicants with effective access to procedures?	assistance in accordance with Articles 14 to 17 (Art. 14(2)). Please see Stage 1, Part I, qQuestion I.6.1a. above;
	[name of <u>your</u> State] has procedures that enable the applicant to make the case without the need for legal assistance and the Central Authority provides such services as are necessary free of charge (Art. 14(3)):
	The Central Authority is the competent authority and provides all necessary services with respect to the application;
	The Central Authority initiates proceedings by submitting the application to the competent authority and provides all necessary services with respect to the application;
	The Central Authority refers the application to a public body for submission to the competent authority. The public body provides all necessary services with respect to the application;
	The Central Authority refers the application to another body subject to the supervision of the competent authority. This body provides all necessary services with respect to the application;
	Other, please specify:
IV. Information as to the laws and obligations in [name of your State	procedures concerning maintenance
16. Maintenance obligations in respect of a	a child (Art. 57-of the Convention)
16.1 What legislation applies to child maintenance obligations in [name of your State]? Provide a link to a website if possible.	
16.2 Who is eligible to benefit from child	For any child regardless of status

		For a child that falls into one or more of the following categories:
		Child born in wedlock
		<ul> <li>Child born out of wedlock</li> <li>Acknowledged by the father</li> <li>Not yet acknowledged by the father</li> </ul>
		☐ Adopted child <mark>÷</mark>
		Any child for whom a person stands in place of a parent (in loco parentis):
		☐ Other <mark>, (</mark> please specify <mark>):</mark>
16.3	Who is the creditor in a child maintenance matter?	☐ Child
	See, also, question 16.4 below.	Custodial parent or other person responsible for the child
		Public bodies
		Other <mark>-(</mark> please specify <u>)-</u> -
<mark>16.4</mark>	Who can make an application for a child creditor?	The child for whom maintenance is sought or payable
	See the "Particulars of the applicant" sections in the Recommended Forms.	The representative of the child for whom maintenance is sought or payable
16.5 16.6	What can be included in a child maintenance decision made in [name of your State]?  Can a child maintenance decision made in m	<ul> <li>☐ Periodic payments for child maintenance:</li> <li>☐ Lump sum payments:</li> <li>☐ Child-care expenses:</li> <li>☐ Extra-curricular activities:</li> <li>☐ Dental or medical expenses:</li> <li>☐ Attorney's fees:</li> <li>☐ Extraordinary expenses, please specify:</li> <li>☐ Costs of the competent authority, please specify:</li> <li>☐ Other-(please specify):</li> <li>☐ No</li> </ul>
	name of your State be subject to automatic adjustment? If so, by what mechanism and with what frequency?	Yes, please list_specify the mechanisms and frequency:  By indexation (please specify the frequency):  '  Other mechanisms for adjustments to which the decision can be subject, (please specify the frequency):
16.7	Can a child maintenance decision be made retroactively in [name of your State]? If so, what is the earliest date from which a decision can apply? Please specify any limitations.	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>Child's date of birth<sup>1</sup>/<sub>1</sub></li> <li>Date that proceedings are initiated<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub></li> <li>Date of separation<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub></li> </ul>

		☐ Date of the suspension of voluntary payments; ☐ A certain amount of time from the initiation of the proceedings, please specify: ☐ Other; (please specify): ☐ Any limitation, please specify: ☐ -
16.8	Until what age can a child maintenance obligation be established? Please provide a citation to the laws of [name of your State].	☐ Until 18 years of age: ; ☐ Until 19 years of age: ; ☐ Until 21 years of age: ;
	(Article- 32(4) of the 2007 Convention)	Other <mark>- (</mark> please specify <mark>):</mark>
16.9	In what circumstances can child maintenance end before the normal usual duration?	The child <u>is_emancipateds</u> before the <u>normal_usual_duration</u> .
	(Article- 32(4) of the 2007 Convention)	The child is no longer under the care of the creditor and there is no decision re-directing payments to someone else
		☐ The child marries;
		☐ The child is adopted by someone other than the debtor
		The child has been removed from the family and is a civil ward of the State
		The maintenance decision states that child maintenance ceases prior to the normal_usual duration;
		Other circumstances where the child maintenance can end before the usual duration of child support (please specify):
16.10	Can child maintenance extend beyond the normal_usual_duration? If so, in what	No maintenance cannot extend beyond the usual duration
	circumstances? (Article: 32(4) of the 2007 Convention)	Yes. maintenance can be extended in the following circumstances. Please tick all boxes that applyplease specify the circumstances:  To enable the child to complete secondary education: To enable a child to complete post-secondary education [e.g., college or university); If a child is past the normal_usual_duration and under the parent's charge but unable, by reason of illness, disability or other cause, to withdraw from that charge or to obtain the necessities of life: Other-circumstances where child support can be extended beyond the usual duration [please specify]:
<u>16.11</u>	Who is entitled to make a claim for enforcement of child maintenance after the child reaches the age of majority?  Please tick all boxes that apply.	Regarding arrears accrued before the child reached the age of majority  The child themselves (who is at this stage an adult)

		Person who is entitled to maintenance according to the child maintenance decision  Public bodies  Other, please specify:  Regarding the amounts owed for the time after the
		child has reached the age of majority:  The child themselves (who is at this stage an adult)
		Person who is entitled to maintenance according to the child maintenance decision  Public bodies  Other, please specify:
	Must other proceedings be initiated or finalised before a child maintenance decision can be made in [name of your State]?	No other proceedings are required  Yes, other proceedings are required (please specify):  If parties are married:
		☐ Divorce proceedings must be initiated: ☐ Divorce proceedings must be finalised: ☐ Spousal property proceedings must be initiated: ☐ Spousal property proceedings must be finalised:
		If parties are / were married:  Child custody proceedings must be initiated: Child custody proceedings must be finalised.
		If child was born outside of marriage: Parentage proceedings must be initiated Parentage proceedings must be finalised.
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a	competent authorities responsible for arrangements in [name of your State] (A Which authority in [name of your State] is	maintenance decisions and maintenance art. 57 of the Convention)      Judicial authority:
<b>17.</b> 1	competent to recognise and enforce maintenance decisions?	Administrative authority
	(Article- 57 of the 2007 Convention)	
17.2	Which authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] is competent to enforce maintenance decisions?	☐ Judicial authority <mark>:</mark> ☐ Administrative authority <mark>:</mark>
	(Article- 57 of the 2007 Convention)	
17.3	Which authority in [name of <u>your State</u> ] is competent to establish maintenance decisions?	☐ Judicial authority <mark>=</mark> ☐ Administrative authority <del>=</del>
	ucoloiolia:	Decisions of this administrative authority

17.4		
	Which authority in [name of your State] is	☐ Judicial authority <mark>-</mark>
	competent to modify maintenance decisions?	☐ Administrative authority:
	(Article: 57 of the 2007 Convention)	Decisions of this administrative authority always meet the requirements of Article 19(3).
17.5	Which authority in [name of your State] is	☐ Judicial authority <mark>:</mark>
	competent to recognise and enforce maintenance arrangements?	Administrative authority.
	(Article: 57 of the 2007 Convention)	
17.6	Which authority in [name of <u>your</u> State] is competent to enforce maintenance	☐ Judicial authority <mark>-</mark>
	competent to enforce maintenance arrangements?	Administrative authority
	(Article: 57 of the 2007 Convention)	Other <mark>- (</mark> please specify <mark>):</mark> -
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		oviding benefits in place of maintenance
	(Art. 36-of the Convention)	
	[name of <u>your_</u> State] have any publices that act in place of an individual to whom	□No
	tenance is owed or any public bodies to	Yes-Iplease give a brief outline of the system]:
which	n reimbursement may be owed for benefits	<del></del>
provio	ded to the creditor in place of tenance?	
IIIaiii	teriance:	
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<b>V</b> .	<u>· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · </u>	ent rules and procedures in [name of
V.	Information concerning enforcements  your State]	ent rules and procedures in [name of in [name of your State] (Art. 57(1)(-d) of the
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<b>V.</b> 1	Information concerning enforcement your State]  General information about enforcement Convention)  Is there a time limitation for enforcement of maintenance?  (Article: 57(1)(-d) of the 2007 Convention)  Are there other limitations to enforcement?	in [name of your State] (Art. 57(1)(-d) of the  No, there is no limit for enforcement  Yes, there are applicable time limits (please specify):  No Yes, other limitations apply (please specify):
V. 19.1 19.1 19.2	Information concerning enforcement your State]  General information about enforcement Convention)  Is there a time limitation for enforcement of maintenance?  (Article: 57(1)(-d) of the 2007 Convention)  Are there other limitations to enforcement?  Can a debtor claim forfeiture of a maintenance claim due to the inaction of the creditor?  Is a ranking applied to creditors where	in [name of your State] (Art. 57(1)(-d) of the  No there is no limit for enforcement Yes, there are applicable time limits (please specify):  No Yes, other limitations apply (please specify):  No
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20. Debtor protection rules (Art. 57(1)(-d)-of	the Convention)
Please specify any debtor protection rules that apply to the recovery of maintenance in [name of	☐ No protection rules apply— ☐ The following protection rules apply— ☐ [please]
<u>your</u> State].	specify1:
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21. Overview of enforcement procedures in Convention)	[name of your State] (Art. 57(1)(-d)-of the
Please provide a short overview of the	
process(es) that occur(s) when [name of <u>your</u> State] enforces a decision in its territory. Please include time frames.	
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22. Measures available for enforcement of Convention)	of maintenance decisions (Art. 34 of the
What methods are available in [name of your	Provisional measures;
State] for the enforcement of maintenance decisions?	☐ Wage withholding;
(Article- 34 of the 2007 Convention)	Garnishment or attachment from bank accounts and other sources;
	☐ Seizure and sale of assets <del>;</del>
	Deductions from social security payments;
	Lien on or forced sale of property;
	Withholding or attachment of tax refund;
	Withholding or attachment of pension benefits;
	Seizure of lump sum payments;
	Credit bureau reporting;
	Denial, suspension or revocation of various licenses (for example, passport, driving licenses);
	☐ Incarceration <del>;</del>
	Hearing regarding a default in payment;
	Prohibition of a debtor from leaving [name of your_State];
	Seizure of lottery or gambling winnings;
	Criminal prosecution on account of failure to comply with duty to pay maintenance;
	The use of mediation, conciliation or similar processes to bring about voluntary compliance;

	Other_enforcement measures available, (please specify):
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VI. Other information	

23. Payment information (where and how payments should be sent) (Art. 11(1)(-f)-of the Convention)

23.1	When [name of your State] is the requesting State, where should maintenance payments be sent?  Please tick all boxes that apply. If multiple options apply, please specify when each option may apply.	☐ Directly to the creditor; ☐ To the creditor's representative; ☐ To the Central Authority; ☐ To a centralised location other than the Central Authority; ☐ To another authority; ☐ If multiple options apply, please specify: ☐
23.2	When [name of your State] is the requesting State and receives maintenance payments at a centralised location or at a different address from the Central Authority, please provide the following information.	Name:  Address:  Telephone: Fax: E-mail: Website: Contact person(s):  Name and address of the bank:
23.3	When [name of your State] is the requesting State, in what form can maintenance payments be received in that State?  Please check-tick all boxes that apply. If the answer depends upon who is receiving the payment, please also tickeheck "Other" and specify.	Cash;  Cheque or warrant;  Electronic funds transfer. Please provide details;  Credit card;  Other; (please specify):
<mark>23.4</mark> 	If cheques are accepted in [name of State], are there any limitations to their use?  When [name of your State] is the requested State, in what form can maintenance payments be made in that	Yes (please specify):  The use of cheques will be phased out as of (insert date):  Other limitations (please specify):  No  Cash;  Cheque or warrant;
	State? Please check all that apply. If the	

	answer depends upon who is receiving the payment, please also check "Other" and specify.	-Electronic funds transfer. Please provide details; -Payroll deductions; -Preauthorised withdrawal from a financial institution account; -Credit card; -Other, please specify:
23.5	What actions does [name of <u>your State</u> ] take to reduce the costs and fees associated with international payment processing?	☐ All payments are processed through a designated authority- ☐ All payments are processed upon receipt- ☐ Payments under a certain amount are not processed. Please specify the minimum amount processed and currency using the ISO code
		Payments under a certain amount are collected, banked and combined into one payment sent at intervals agreed with the creditor. Please specify the amount and currency using the ISO code  Other, please specify:
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End of Stage 1

### Stage 2

### I. General Information

1. Overview of the process that occurs when making an application under Article 10 of the Convention (Art. 57 of the Convention)

Please provide a short overview of the process(es) that occur(s) when [name of your State] receives an application under the 2007 Convention.
Please indicate:
<ul> <li>which authority receives the application</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>where the application is sent for processing</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>the steps that occur, and what happens if the outcome is contested</li> </ul>
The purpose of this question is to provide the caseworker in the requesting State with a general understanding of the steps that will take place in processing the case. Please include time frames.
1.1 Please provide a short overview of the process(es) that occur(s) when [name of your State] receives aAn overview of the process following the receipt of an application to recognise or to recognise and enforce a maintenance decision made in another Contracting State. Please indicate which authority receives the application, where the application is sent for processing, the steps that occur, and what happens if recognition is contested. The purpose of this question is to provide the caseworker in the requesting State with a general understanding of the steps that will take place in working the case. Please include time frames.
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	decision made or recognised in [name of your State]. Please indicate which authority receives the application, where the application is sent for processing and the steps that occur, and what happens if enforcement is contested. The purpose of this question is to provide the caseworker in the requesting State with a general understanding of the steps that will take place in working the case. Please include time frames.	
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1.5	Please provide a short overview of the process(es) that occur(s) when aAn overview of the process following the receipt of an application to establish a decision is received in [name of your State]. Please indicate which authority receives the application, where the application is sent for processing, and the steps that occur. The purpose of this question is to provide the caseworker in the requesting State with a general understanding of the steps that will take place in working the case. Please include time frames.	
1.6	Please provide a short overview of the process(es) that occur(s) when [name of your_State] receive aAn overview of the process following the receipt of an application to modify a maintenance decision made in [name of your State]. Please indicate which authority receives the application, where the application is sent for processing, and the steps that occur. The purpose of this question is to provide the caseworker in the requesting State with a general understanding of the steps that	

	will take place in working the case. Please include time frames.	
1.7	Please provide a short overview of the process(es) that occur(s) when [name of your_State] receives aAn overview of the process following the receipt of an application to modify a maintenance decision made in a State other than [name of your State]. Please indicate which authority receives the application, where the application is sent for processing, and the steps that occur. The purpose of this question is to provide the caseworker in the requesting State with a general understanding of the steps that will take place in working the case. Please include time frames.	
Las	t opdate: [INSERT DATE]	
2.	Methods of calculating maintenance Convention)	in [name of <u>your</u> State] (Art. 57 <del>of the</del>
2.1	Is the assessment of maintenance based on a formula, guidelines, or other criteria?  Please outline the principal elements involved in making an assessment.	☐ No ☐ Yes, please outline the principal elements involved in making an assessment: -
2.2	What legislation applies to the assessment of maintenance? Provide a link to a website if possible.	
Las	t Update: [INSERT DATE]	
3.	Establishment of parentage (Art. 57-of t	he Convention)
3.1	What legislation applies to the establishment of parentage in the context of maintenance proceedings? Provide a link to a website if possible.	
3.2	What are the legal methods for establishing parentage in the context of maintenance proceedings?	<ul><li>Establishment of parentage by presumption;</li><li>Establishment of parentage by acknowledgement;</li></ul>
		Establishment of parentage by judicial decision;
		Establishment of parentage by administrative decision;
		Other <u>methods of establishment</u> , please specify:
3.3	Please provide a short overview of how the above method(s) for establishing parentage are applied in the context of maintenance proceedings.	

3.4	Please describe the scientific or medical methods (e.g., DNA testing) used for establishing parentage, including requirements and restrictions, and how they apply in the context of maintenance proceedings.		
3.5	Please indicate the costs that typically would be involved in the establishment of parentage in [name of <u>your State</u> ], who would bear these costs, whether the costs are capable of being covered by legal assistance, and whether any distinction is made between residents and non-residents in these matters.		
Las	t Update: [INSERT DATE]		
4.	Following recognition of a decision by an	nother State (Art. 57-of the Convention)	
4.1	Following recognition of the maintenance decision in the other State, does [name of your State] require notification of the recognition?	☐ No ☐ Yes	
4.2	Does the recognition in the other State affect the status of the original decision in [name of <u>your State</u> ]?	☐ No ☐ Yes <mark>- (</mark> please specify <mark>):</mark>	
Las	t Update: [INSERT DATE]		
5.	Direct requests to competent authorities (where available) (Art. 37—of the Convention)		
5.1	Please provide a short overview of how direct requests are handled in [name of your State].		
5.2	Please provide information about the competent authorities in [name of your State] to which direct requests should be addressed.		
5.3	Please provide other relevant information regarding direct requests in [name of your State].		
Las	t Update: [INSERT DATE]		
6.	Other information (Art. 57-of the Convention)		
	Please describe, in the form of a flow chart, the process followed for establishment in [name of your State].		
6.1	Are there any limitations on the period for which arrears may be enforced? Please provide the limitation period and the citation to the laws of [name of your State].	<ul><li>No</li><li>☐ Yes, please provide limitation period and the citation to the laws of [name of your State].</li></ul>	

	(Article: 32(5) of the 2007 Convention)			
6.2	What happens when the debtor pays a monthly amount, but this amount does not cover the current maintenance as well as the arrears? How is it determined which debt is paid first and who makes such a decision?			
6.3	When there are multiple garnishments / withholdings against the income of a debtor, does child maintenance have priority over the other debts?	<ul> <li>Yes;</li> <li>Yes, in certain circumstances. Please explain:</li> <li>→ ;</li> <li>No, please specify order of priority:</li> </ul>		
6.4	Is it possible to collect interest on arrears in [name of <u>your</u> State]?	☐ No ☐ Yes		
6.5	When it is possible to collect interest on arrears in [name of <u>your State</u> ], are there limitations?	☐ No ☐ Yes, please specify any limitations:		
6.6	What happens with a maintenance claim under [name of <u>your</u> State] insolvency laws? (e.g., does it make a difference whether there is a decision for maintenance?)			
6.7	What are the procedures when a debtor leaves [name of your State]?	<ul><li>☐ Notify original requesting State;</li><li>☐ End the proceedings;</li><li>☐ Other, please specify:</li></ul>		
6.8	Please provide a short overview of the process that occurs when the creditor or the debtor wants to appeal a decision <a href="made">made</a> in [name of <a href="made">your</a> State].			
Las	Last Update: [INSERT DATE]			

End of Stage 2