

Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community

PART ONE

**COMMON PROVISIONS**

*Article 2*

**Definitions**

For the purposes of this Agreement, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) "Union law" means:
- (i) the Treaty on European Union ("TEU"), the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union ("TFEU") and the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community ("Euratom Treaty"), as amended or supplemented, as well as the Treaties of Accession and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, together referred to as "the Treaties";
  - (ii) the general principles of the Union's law;
  - (iii) the acts adopted by the institutions, bodies, offices or agencies of the Union;
  - (iv) the international agreements to which the Union is party and the international agreements concluded by the Member States acting on behalf of the Union;
  - (v) the agreements between Member States entered into in their capacity as Member States of the Union;
  - (vi) acts of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States meeting within the European Council or the Council of the European Union ("Council");
  - (vii) the declarations made in the context of intergovernmental conferences which adopted the Treaties;
- (b) "Member States" means the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, the Kingdom of Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Republic of Estonia, Ireland, the Hellenic Republic, the Kingdom of Spain, the French Republic, the Republic of Croatia, the Italian Republic, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Portuguese Republic, Romania, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden;
- (c) "Union citizen" means any person holding the nationality of a Member State;
- (d) "United Kingdom national" means a national of the United Kingdom, as defined in the New Declaration by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of 31 December 1982 on the definition of the term "nationals"<sup>(1)</sup>

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together with Declaration No 63 annexed to the Final Act of the intergovernmental conference which adopted the Treaty of Lisbon<sup>(2)</sup>;

- (e) "transition period" means the period provided in Article 126;
- (f) "day" means a calendar day, unless otherwise provided in this Agreement or in provisions of Union law made applicable by this Agreement.

- (1) OJ C 23, 28.1.1983, p. 1.
- (2) OJ C 306, 17.12.2007, p. 270.