

ANTARCTIC TREATY

Signed at Washington December 1, 1959

Recommendations (15) adopted at the Sixth Consultative Meeting
Tokyo October 19 - 31, 1970

Effective date * : October 10, 1973 for VI-1 through 7
and VI-11 through 15
November 1, 1982 for VI-9
April 8, 1987 for VI-10
VI-8 terminated by VIII-5.

<u>State</u>	<u>Date of Government's approval, as notified to Government of the United States of America **</u>
Argentina	October 10, 1973
Australia	May 26, 1972 ¹ September 1, 1980 ⁶
Belgium	June 8, 1971 ²
Brazil	October 27, 1986 ⁹
Chile	August 3, 1971
China	December 11, 1985 ⁸
France	April 23, 1971
Germany	February 17, 1981 ¹ April 28, 2005 ¹⁴
India	March 7, 1988 ¹¹
Italy	April 22, 1987

* Article IX, paragraph 4, of the Antarctic Treaty provides that recommended measures "shall become effective when approved by all the Contracting Parties whose representatives were entitled to participate in the meetings held to consider those measures."

** The date of the Government's approval is considered to be the date of that Government's notification of such approval to other Governments, unless stated otherwise therein. If the notification states that the Government had approved the Recommendations on an earlier date, that date is listed as the date of the Government's approval.

Japan	July 31, 1972 ¹ November 1, 1982 ⁷
Korea, Rep. of	May 10, 1995
Netherlands	October 10, 2003 ¹³
New Zealand	December 23, 1971
Norway	September 17, 1971
Poland	July 11, 1977
Russian Federation	April 4, 1972
South Africa	May 21, 1971
Spain	April 8, 1988
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	June 25, 1971 ³ April 8, 1987 ¹⁰
United States of America	July 25, 1972 ⁴ July 31, 1979 ⁵
Uruguay	October 10, 1989

1 Approval of Recommendations VI-1 through VI-7 and VI-11 through VI-15.

2 The Belgian Embassy's note of June 8, 1971 states that the Recommendations have been approved "with the exception of recommendations VI-8 and VI-10. These latter will be submitted for approval after the Belgian Parliament has come to a decision concerning the draft law relating to the protection of flora and fauna in the Antarctic." [translation] Approved January 25, 1978.

3 The British Embassy's note of June 25, 1971 states the Recommendations have been approved "with the exception of Recommendations VI-8 and VI-10 which require legislative action in the United Kingdom before they can be approved. Until such time as this legislation has been enacted instructions have been given to British visitors to the Antarctic Treaty Area to treat the provisions of these two Recommendations as guide lines."

4 The United States of America approved Recommendations VI-1 through VI-9 and VI-11 through VI-15; and accepted VI-10 as a modification of the interim guidelines.

5 United States approval of VI-10.

6 Australia's approval of VI-8, 9 and 10.

7 Japan's approval of VI-8, 9 and 10.

8 Chinese approval of all recommendations in force, which excludes VI-8, and 10.

9 Brazil's approval of all recommendations in force, which excludes VI-8 and 10.

- 10 United Kingdom's approval of VI-10
- 11 Except VI-9
- 12 Prior to unification, the German Democratic Republic approved all the recommendations of the Sixth Meeting on August 23, 1988.
- 13 Except Recommendation VI-15 which, in accordance with Decision 3 of ATCM XXV, has become obsolete.
- 14 Germany's approval of VI-10.

Department of State,

Washington, May 9, 2012.