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Article 8

Substitute for Article 8 the following :

8. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Article and of Article 1,
a Party shall not deprive a person of its nationality if such deprivation would
render him stateless.

(2) The national law of a Party may make provision that a person may
be deprived of its nationality -

- (a) in the case of a natural born national, on the ground of voluntarily
entering or continuing in the service of a foreign country in disregard
of an express prohibition by the Party;
- (b) in the case of a national other than a natural born national, on
the ground of -
 - (i) false representation or fraud for the purpose of obtaining
the Party's nationality, or
 - (ii) treachery or disloyalty, or
 - (iii) voluntarily entering or continuing in the service of a foreign
country in disregard of an express prohibition by the Party.
 - (iv) residence in his country of origin for a period specified by
the law of the Party, or

(3) In the cases in which deprivation is permitted under paragraph (2)
of this Article, a national of a Party shall only be deprived of his nationality
in accordance with procedure established by law, which shall provide for submission
of the case to an independent body of a judicial character.

(4) Subject to Article 9, a Party may deprive of its nationality a
person who possesses at the time another nationality.

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CORRIGENDA

1. In paragraph (1), omit the words "end of Article 17".
2. Substitute the following for sub-paragraph (iv) of paragraph (2)(b):

"residence abroad for a period of not less than seven consecutive years, to be specified by the law of the Party, if he has failed to declare to the appropriate authorities his intention to retain his nationality".