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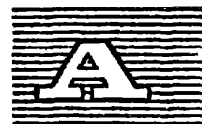
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convention on the reduction of future statelessness

Article 1

Replace paragraphs 1 and 2 of article 1 by the following:

1. The Parties undertake to confer their nationality
  - (i) either ipso jure at the age of 21 at the latest, or
  - (ii) on application made in accordance with their national law after the person concerned has reached the age of 18 years and in the year following the day on which he attains his majority,upon any person who was born in their territory and who did not acquire a nationality at birth or subsequently.
2. The Party concerned may make the acquisition of its nationality dependent on normal residence in its territory; it may not however require a period of residence greater than ten years including the five years immediately preceding the acquisition of nationality ipso jure or the submission of the application.