
JOINT DECLARATION

The Governments of the Kingdom of Belgium, the Federal Republic of Germany, the French Republic, the Italian Republic, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the Kingdom of the Netherlands;

On signing the Convention on jurisdiction and the enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters;

Desiring to ensure that the Convention is applied as effectively as possible;

Anxious to prevent differences of interpretation of the Convention from impairing its unifying effect;

Recognizing that claims and disclaimers of jurisdiction may arise in the application of the Convention;

Declare themselves ready:

1. to study these questions and in particular to examine the possibility of conferring jurisdiction in certain matters on the Court of Justice of the European Communities and, if necessary, to negotiate an agreement to this effect;
2. to arrange meetings at regular intervals between their representatives.

In witness whereof, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries have signed this Joint Declaration.

Done at Brussels this twenty-seventh day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight.

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