NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY

Accession of Lithuania

Protocol Between the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and OTHER GOVERNMENTS

Signed at Brussels March 26, 2003
NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pursuant to Public Law 89—497, approved July 8, 1966 (80 Stat. 271; 1 U.S.C. 113)—

“. . .the Treaties and Other International Acts Series issued under the authority of the Secretary of State shall be competent evidence . . . of the treaties, international agreements other than treaties, and proclamations by the President of such treaties and international agreements other than treaties, as the case may be, therein contained, in all the courts of law and equity and of maritime jurisdiction, and in all the tribunals and public offices of the United States, and of the several States, without any further proof or authentication thereof.”
MULTILATERAL

North Atlantic Treaty: Accession of Lithuania

Protocol signed at Brussels March 26, 2003;
Transmitted by the President of the United States of America
to the Senate April 10, 2003 (Treaty Doc. 108-4,
108th Congress, 1st Session);
Reported favorably by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
April 30, 2003 (Senate Executive Report No. 108-6,
108th Congress, 1st Session);
Advice and consent to ratification by the Senate
May 8, 2003;
Ratified by the President February 25, 2004;
Ratification of the United States of America deposited February 27, 2004;
Entered into force February 27, 2004.
PROTOCOL TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY
ON THE ACCESSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

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PROTOCOLE AU TRAITE DE L'ATLANTIQUE NORD
SUR L'ACCESSION DE LA REPUBLIQUE DE LITUANIE
The Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty, signed at Washington on April 4, 1949,

Being satisfied that the security of the North Atlantic area will be enhanced by the accession of the Republic of Lithuania to that Treaty,

Agree as follows:
Article I

Upon the entry into force of this Protocol, the Secretary General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation shall, on behalf of all the Parties, communicate to the Government of the Republic of Lithuania an invitation to accede to the North Atlantic Treaty. In accordance with Article 10 of the Treaty, the Republic of Lithuania shall become a Party on the date when it deposits its instrument of accession with the Government of the United States of America.

Article II

The present Protocol shall enter into force when each of the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty has notified the Government of the United States of America of its acceptance thereof. The Government of the United States of America shall inform all the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty of the date of receipt of each such notification and of the date of the entry into force of the present Protocol.

Article III

The present Protocol, of which the English and French texts are equally authentic, shall be deposited in the Archives of the Government of the United States of America. Duly certified copies thereof shall be transmitted by that Government to the Governments of all the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty.
Les Parties au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord, signé le 4 avril 1949 à Washington,

Assurées que l'accession de la République de Lituanie au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord permettra d'augmenter la sécurité de la région de l'Atlantique Nord,

Convienient ce qui suit :
Article I


Article II


Article III

In witness whereof, the undersigned plenipotentiaries have signed the present Protocol.

En foi de quoi, les plénipotentiaires désignés ci-dessous ont signé le présent Protocole.

Signed at Brussels on the 26th day of March 2003.

Signé à Bruxelles le 26 mars 2003.

For the Kingdom of Belgium: [Signature]
For Canada: [Signature]
For the Czech Republic: [Signature]
For the Kingdom of Denmark: [Signature]
For the French Republic: [Signature]
For the Federal Republic of Germany: [Signature]
For the Hellenic Republic: [Signature]
For the Republic of Hungary: [Signature]
For the Republic of Iceland: [Signature]
For the Italian Republic: [Signature]
For the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg: [Signature]
For the Kingdom of the Netherlands: [Signature]
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For the Republic of Poland: [Signature]
For the Portuguese Republic: [Signature]
For the Kingdom of Spain: [Signature]
For the Republic of Turkey: [Signature]
For the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: [Signature]
For the United States of America: [Signature]