

Announcement

from the Copyright Office, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540

HUNGARY ADHERES TO THE UNIVERSAL COPYRIGHT CONVENTION

The Copyright Office has just been informed that the instrument of accession by Hungary to the Universal Copyright Convention and annexed Protocol 2 was deposited with the Director-General of Unesco on October 23, 1970.

In accordance with Article IX, paragraph 2, the Convention came into force with respect to Hungary on January 23, 1971, three months after the deposit of the instrument of accession.

Protocol 2, in accordance with the provisions formulated in paragraph 2(b) thereof, came into force for Hungary on the same day as the Convention.

This deposit was made under cover of a verbal note (No. U/43/1970), dated October 22, 1970, containing the following declaration: "... the Hungarian Permanent Delegation declares on behalf of the Presidential Council of the Hungarian People's Republic that the provisions of Article XIII of the said Convention are contrary to the fundamental principle of international law concerning the self-determination of peoples, which the United Nations General Assembly also wrote into its resolution 1514 (XV) on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples ..."

The Universal Copyright Convention (the UCC), which came into force on September 16, 1955, is a multilateral international treaty to which the United States is a party. A list of participating countries and other information on United States and international copyright may be obtained from the Copyright Office, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Hungary is the 60th country to adhere to the Universal Copyright Convention.