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## CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEW YORK, 13 DECEMBER 2006

## EUROPEAN UNION: OBJECTION TO THE RESERVATIONS MADE BY BHUTAN UPON RATIFICATION $^{\rm 1}$

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above action was effected on 21 February 2025.

## (Original: English)

"Having examined the reservations made by the Kingdom of Bhutan upon ratification, on 13 March 2024, of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, done at New York on 13 December 2006, ("the Convention"), regarding paragraph l(a) and paragraph 2 of Article 18, paragraphs l(b) and (c) of Article 23, paragraph l(c) of Article 27, and section (a) (ii) of Article 29, the European Union is of the view that, contrary to the purpose of the Convention to promote, protect and ensure the full and equal enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms by all persons with disabilities, and to promote respect for their inherent dignity (Article 1 (1) of the Convention), these reservations restrict the full and equal enjoyment by persons with disabilities of certain human rights and fundamental freedoms in areas covered by the Convention.

The European Union objects to the reservations as being incompatible with the object and purpose of the Convention and thus impermissible according to Article 46(1) of the Convention and Article 19 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties.

This objection shall not preclude the entry into force of the Convention between the European Union and the Kingdom of Bhutan."

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25 February 2025

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to depositary notification C.N.94.2024.TREATIES-IV.15 of 13 March 2024 (Ratification: Bhutan).