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Protocol
to the North Atlantic Treaty on
the Accession of Spain

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PROTOCOL TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ON THE ACCESSION OF SPAIN

The Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty, signed at Washington on April 4, 1949⁽¹⁾,

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

Agree as follows :

ARTICLE I

Upon the entry into force of this Protocol, the Secretary General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization shall, on behalf of all the Parties, communicate to the Government of the Kingdom of Spain an invitation to accede to the North Atlantic Treaty. In accordance with article 10 of the Treaty, the Kingdom of Spain 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⁽²⁾.

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.

⁽¹⁾ Treaty Series No. 15 (1965), Cmnd. 2566.

⁽²⁾ The Protocol entered into force on 29 May 1982.

PROTOCOLE AU TRAITE DE L'ATLANTIQUE NORD SUR L'ACCESSION DE L'ESPAGNE

Les Parties au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord, signé le 4 avril 1949 à Washington,

Assurées que l'accession du Royaume de l'Espagne au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord permettra d'augmenter la sécurité de la région de l'Atlantique Nord,

Conviennent ce qui suit :

ARTICLE I

Dès l'entrée en vigueur de ce Protocole, le Secrétaire Général de l'Organisation du Traité de l'Atlantique Nord enverra, au nom de toutes les Parties, au Gouvernement du Royaume de l'Espagne une invitation à adhérer au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord. Conformément à l'Article 10 du Traité, le Royaume de l'Espagne deviendra Partie à ce Traité à la date du dépôt de son instrument d'accession auprès du Gouvernement des Etats-Unis d'Amérique.

ARTICLE II

Le présent Protocole entrera en vigueur lorsque toutes les Parties au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord auront notifié leur approbation au Gouvernement des Etats-Unis d'Amérique. Le Gouvernement des Etats-Unis d'Amérique informera toutes les Parties au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord de la date de réception de chacune de ces notifications et de la date d'entrée en vigueur du présent Protocole.

ARTICLE III

Le présent Protocole, dont les textes en français et anglais font également foi, sera déposé dans les archives du Gouvernement des Etats Unis d'Amérique. Des copies certifiées conformes seront transmises par celui-ci aux Gouvernements de toutes les autres Parties au Traité de l'Atlantique Nord.

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

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

Opened for signature at Brussels the 10th day of December 1981.

Ouvert à la signature à Bruxelles le 10 décembre 1981.

SIGNATURES AND ACCEPTANCES

<i>State</i>	<i>Date of signature</i>	<i>Date of receipt of acceptance</i>
Belgium	10 Dec. 1981 ...	18 Mar. 1982
Canada		8 Jan. 1982
Denmark		20 Apr. 1982
France		13 May 1982
Germany, Federal Republic of		8 Apr. 1982
Greece*		29 May 1982
Iceland		26 Feb. 1982
Italy		18 May 1982
Luxembourg		6 Apr. 1982
Netherlands		13 May 1982
Norway		25 Feb. 1982
Portugal		28 May 1982
Turkey		13 May 1982
United Kingdom		1 Mar. 1982
United States of America ...	1 Apr. 1982	

*The instrument of acceptance of the Government of Greece was accompanied by the following declaration:

"The Hellenic Republic solemnly declares that it will not accept any changes in the existing Naval Command Boundaries in the MEDEAST Area as they are determined by virtue of the relevant NATO documents and in particular MC 38/4, as a result of Spain's adhesion on the North Atlantic Treaty."

ACCESSION

<i>State</i>	<i>Date</i>
Spain	30 May 1982