

**AGREEMENT ON THE CONSERVATION OF POPULATIONS
OF EUROPEAN BATS**

(formerly known as the Agreement on the Conservation of Bats in Europe)

London 4 December 1991, as Amended at Bristol on 18 to 20 July 1995
and Amended at Bristol on 24 to 26 July 2000.

Report of the Depository of the Agreement, September 2003

New accessions

There have been nine new accessions during the triennium 2000-2003, since the Third Meeting of Parties. The accession of Romania (who's instrument of accession was deposited before the last Meeting of Parties but formally came into force afterwards), Croatia, Moldova, Malta, Albania, Lithuania, Georgia, Belgium and Latvia brings the number of Parties to the Agreement to 28.

Ratification of the Agreement by the United Kingdom was extended to the Bailiwick of Jersey in 2001.

Current position

State	Date of Signature		Date of Deposit of Instrument of Ratification / Acceptance (AC) / Approval (AP)	
Belgium	4 December	1991*	14 May	2003
Denmark	4 December	1991*	6 January	1994 (AP)
France	10 December	1993*	7 July	1995 (AP)
Germany	5 December	1991*	18 October	1993
Ireland	21 June	1993*	21 June	1995
Luxembourg	4 December	1991*	29 October	1993
Netherlands	4 December	1991*	17 March	1992 (AC)
Norway	3 February	1993	Not necessary	
Portugal	4 June	1993*	10 January	1996
Sweden	4 March	1992	4 May	2001
United Kingdom	4 December	1991*	9 September	1992 ^{1, 2, 3}

ACCESSIONS

State	Date of Deposit of Instrument of Accession	
Czech Republic	24 February	1994
Hungary	22 June	1994
Poland	10 April	1996
Slovak Republic	9 July	1998
Monaco	23 July	1999
Macedonia, FYR	15 September	1999
Finland	20 September	1999
Ukraine	30 September	1999
Bulgaria	9 November	1999
Romania	20 July	2000
Croatia	8 August	2000
Moldova	2 February	2001
Malta	2 March	2001
Albania	22 June	2001
Lithuania	28 November	2001
Georgia	25 July	2002
Latvia	1 August	2003

* Signature with reservation in respect of ratification.

¹ The instrument of ratification by the Government of the United Kingdom includes the Isle of Man and Gibraltar.

² Ratification by the Government of the United Kingdom was extended to the Bailiwick of Guernsey on 23 July 1999.

³ Ratification by the Government of the United Kingdom was extended to the Bailiwick of Jersey on 29 October 2001.