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**Council for Trade in Services** 

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# NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VII.4 OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN SERVICES

The following notification has been received from the delegation of Costa Rica.

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### 1. Member notifying:

Ministry of Foreign Trade, Republic of Costa Rica.

#### 2. Notification under:

Article VII, paragraph 4 of the General Agreement on Trade in Services.

#### 3. Date of entry into force:

Convention between Costa Rica and Spain on the Mutual Recognition of the Validity of Academic Diplomas and the Equivalence of Studies, signed on 23 March 1925, Law No. 38 of 10 June 1925, ratified by Costa Rica on 23 August 1927.

Convention on Cultural Exchange between the Republic of Costa Rica and the United States of Brazil (Articles 4-7), signed on 19 November 1974, approved by Law No. 3638, published in Official Journal No. 291 of 23 December 1965, ratified by Costa Rica on 3 January 1966.

Central American Convention on the Exercise of University Professions and Recognition of University Studies, signed on 22 June 1972, Law No. 3643 of 16 December 1975, ratified on 9 February 1976. Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua.

Convention on Cultural Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania. (Article 4), signed on 4 September 1973, approved by Law No. 5583, entered into force on 26 May 1975.

Convention on Cultural and Scientific Cooperation between the Republic of Costa Rica and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (Article 2), signed on 23 December 1974, approved by Law No. 5771 of 13 August 1975, published in Official Journal No. 138 of 30 August 1975.

Convention on Cultural Exchange between the Republic of Costa Rica and the Republic of Venezuela (Articles 5 and 6), signed on 21 June 1965, approved by Law No. 3740 of 20 July 1966, and its reform protocol of 19 August 1976, ratified on 8 November 1966.

Cultural Convention between the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica and the Government of the Argentine Republic (Article 7), signed on 23 November 1964, approved by Law No. 3637 of 16 December 1965, published in Official Journal No. 290 of 22 December 1965, ratified on 24 June 1967.

Cultural Convention between the Republic of Costa Rica and the Government of the Dominican Republic (Articles 5 and 6), signed on 9 October 1967, approved by Law No. 4103, ratified on 12 February 1969.

Convention on the Mutual Recognition of the Validity of Professional Qualifications and Equivalence of Studies between the Republic of Costa Rica and the Republic of Colombia, signed on 13 October 1926, approved by Law No. 25 of 21 October 1927, ratified on 28 June 1929.

Convention of Mexico on the Exercise of Liberal Professions, signed on 28 January 1902, approved by Law No. 42, of 13 July 1903, ratified on 28 August 1903. Costa Rica, Chile, Bolivia, Peru, El Salvador and Guatemala.

Cultural Convention between Costa Rica and Ecuador, signed on 8 March 1979, approved by Law No. 6480, ratified on 6 October 1983.

#### 4. Agency responsible for implementation and enforcement of the measure:

Each university in accordance with its systems of accreditation. Consejo Nacional de Rectores (National Council of Rectors).

## 5. Description of the measure:

A qualification awarded in a country signatory to a bilateral or multilateral instrument of which Costa Rica is also a party, will be recognized in Costa Rica. These measures are implemented on the basis of the equivalence of syllabuses and similar programmes of study.

#### 6. Members affected:

The parties indicated in point 3 above.

#### 7. The texts are available from:

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