NORWEGIAN COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY OF CHILD SUPPORT

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On behalf of my Norwegian colleagues who have participated in the Special Commisions, I wish to convey my appreciation for the excellent work that the drafting committee has carried out. Our view is that the draft convention focuses on and meets the needs for effective and practical methods for good administrative cooperation. However, we will, at this stage, propose a supplement to art. 6 as regards locating the debtor and obtaining income information. This proposal will, in our view, clarify the Central Authorities' duties in this field. Article 6, new paragraph 3 could be supplemented as follows:

"Information as mentioned in paragraph 2 b) and c) shall be procured to the extent permitted in a similar case under the legislation of the requested state without restrictions due to obligations of secrecy."

With regard to art. 54 on reservations, it seems important to permit member states to make reservations. The alternative, to reject cases under the public-order clause do not seem to be a good solution. Norway will probably have to make a reservation as provided for in art. 44 on scope.

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