## **Introductory Note**

This document is one of a series of occasional papers by way of explanatory documentation prepared for the Commonwealth Secretariat which seeks to provide Commonwealth Governments with information about multilateral treaties to which accession may be considered to be desirable.

This document contains information about the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (Vienna, 1980). In addition to the English language version of the text of the Convention (the Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish versions are equally authentic), it includes comments on the text of the Convention and guidance as to the decisions required prior to accession and as to possible implementing legislation for which a model bill has been provided.

The depository is the Secretary-General of the United Nations (article/89). The Commonwealth Secretariat will endeavour to supply further information on points of detail at the request of any Government.