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<b>UN HUMAN RIGHTS CALENDAR</b>		
Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention	7 - 9 January	New York
Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, 30 <sup>th</sup> session	12 - 30 January	New York
Committee on the rights of the child, 35 <sup>th</sup> session	12 - 30 January	Geneva, Palais Wilson
CHR: Intersessional working group to elaborate a draft legally binding normative instrument for the protection of all persons from enforced disappearance	12 – 23 January	Geneva, Palais des Nations
States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, 20 <sup>th</sup> meeting	14 January	New York
Commission on Human Rights: Election of the Bureau, 60 <sup>th</sup> session	19 January	Geneva, Palais des Nations
UNICEF, Executive Board, 1 <sup>st</sup> regular meeting	19 - 22 January	New York
WHO: Executive Board Meeting of WHO, 113 <sup>th</sup> session	19 - 24 January	Geneva
Economic and Social Council, election of Bureau	21 January	New York
Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, 9 <sup>th</sup> session	24 – 30 January	Geneva, Palais Wilson
CHR: Inter-governmental working group on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action	26 January – 6 February	Geneva, Palais des Nations
FAO: Intersessional Meeting of the Open-Ended Working Group of the Intergovernmental Working Group on Right to Food Guidelines	2 - 5 February	Rome
Working Group, Committee on the Rights of the Child, 36 <sup>th</sup> session	2 - 6 February	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group	3 - 6 February	New York
Economic and Social Council, organisational session	3 - 4 February	New York
Commission For Social Development, 42 <sup>nd</sup> session	4 - 13 February	New York
CHR: Working Group on Situations (1503 procedure)	9 - 13 February	Geneva, Palais Wilson
CHR: Open-ended working group on the right to development, 5 <sup>th</sup> session	9 - 20 February	Geneva, Palais des Nations
UNCTAD: Commission on Trade in Goods and Services and Commodities, 8 <sup>th</sup> session	9 – 13 February	Geneva
WTO: committee on Trade and Development	18 February	Geneva
CHR: Open-ended working group to elaborate an optional protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 1 <sup>st</sup> session	23 February - 5 March	Geneva, Palais des Nations
Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, 64 <sup>th</sup> session	23 February - 12 March	Geneva, Palais des Nations

Committee on the protection of the Rights of Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, 1 <sup>st</sup> session	1 - 5 March	Geneva, Palais des Nations
Sub-Commission: Working Group on Minorities	1 - 5 March	Geneva
Commission on the Status of Women, 48 <sup>th</sup> session	1 - 12 March	New York
Working Group of the Human Rights Committee, 80 <sup>th</sup> session	8 - 12 March	Geneva
Human Rights Committee, Working Group on Communications	8 - 12 March	New York
UNCTAD: Trade and Development Board, executive session (Reports of Commissions)	10 - 12 March	Geneva
ILO: Governing Body and its committees, 289 <sup>th</sup> session	11 - 26 March	Geneva
Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations, 17 <sup>th</sup> session	11 - 19 March	Geneva, Palais Wilson
WIPO: Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, 6 <sup>th</sup> session	15 - 19 March	Geneva
Human Rights Committee, 80 <sup>th</sup> session	16 March - 3 April	Geneva, Palais des Nations
<b>UN Commission on Human Rights, 60<sup>th</sup> session</b>	15 March - 23 April	Geneva, Palais des Nations
Advisory Group of the United Nations Trust Fund for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, 9 <sup>th</sup> session	22 - 26 March	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Commission on Population and Development, 37 <sup>th</sup> session	22 - 26 March	New York
Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group, substantive session	29 March - 23 April	New York
International Coordinating Committee of National Human Rights Institutions	12 - 14 April	Geneva, Palais des Nations
UNESCO, Executive Board	14 - 29 April	Paris
Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearance, 70 <sup>th</sup> session	19 - 30 April (to be confirmed)	New York
Pre-sessional working group, Committee against Torture	26 - 30 April	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 32 <sup>nd</sup> session	26 April - 14 May	Geneva, Palais des Nations
Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO, 38 <sup>th</sup> session (for information only)	26 - 30 April	Geneva
Committee against Torture 32 <sup>nd</sup> session	3 - 21 May	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Sub-Commission: Intersessional forum on economics, social and cultural rights (Social Forum)	3 - 4 May	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Board Of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture	10 - 26 May	Geneva, Palais Wilson
ECOSOC: Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations	10 - 28 May	New York

Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture	10 - 26 May	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues	10 - 21 May	New York
UNCTAD: Trade and Development Board, 21 <sup>st</sup> special session	10 - 11 May	Geneva
Working Group of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 33 <sup>rd</sup> session	17 - 21 May	Geneva
WHO: World Health Assembly, 57 <sup>th</sup> session	17- 22 May	Geneva
Committee on the Rights of the Child, 36 <sup>th</sup> session	17 May - 4 June	Geneva, Palais Wilson
CHR: Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances, 72 <sup>nd</sup> session	24 - 28 May	Geneva, Palais des Nations
UNCTAD: Commission on Science and Technology for Development, 7 <sup>th</sup> session	24 - 28 May	Geneva
Ad Hoc Committee to elaborate a convention on the rights of persons with disabilities	24 May - 4 June	New York
CHR: Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, 37 <sup>th</sup> session	24 - 28 May	Geneva
ILO: International Labour Conference, 92 <sup>nd</sup> session	1 - 17 June	Geneva
Working Group, Committee on the Rights of the Child, 37 <sup>th</sup> session	7 - 11 June	Geneva, Palais Wilson
UNICEF: Executive Board, annual session	7 - 11 June	New York
Board of Trustees of the Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, 19 <sup>th</sup> session	7 - 9 June	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Sub-Commission: Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, 29 <sup>th</sup> session	14 – 18 June	Geneva, Palais Wilson
ILO: Meeting of the Governing Body, 290 <sup>th</sup> session	18 June	Geneva
Meeting of Special Rapporteurs, Representatives, Independent Experts and Chairpersons of Working Groups of the Commission on Human Rights, 11 <sup>th</sup> session	21 – 25 June	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Meeting of persons chairing human rights treaty bodies, 16 <sup>th</sup> session	21 – 25 June	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention	28 June – 2 July	New York
Preparatory Meeting of the 1 <sup>st</sup> Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and Their Destruction	28 - 29 June	Geneva
Human Rights Committee, Working Group, 81 <sup>st</sup> session	5 - 9 July	Geneva
International Law Commission, 56 <sup>th</sup> session	5 July - 6 August	Geneva
Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, 31 <sup>st</sup> session	6 – 23 July	New York
Economic and Social Council, substantive session	6 - 30 July	New York

Human Rights Committee, 81 <sup>st</sup> session	12 - 30 July	Geneva
Sub-Commission: Working Group on Indigenous Populations	19 - 23 July	Geneva, Palais des Nations
<b>Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, 56<sup>th</sup> session</b>	26 July - 13 August	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Pre-sessional Working Group, Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women	26 – 30 July	New York
Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, 65 <sup>th</sup> session	2 – 20 August	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	5 August	New York
CHR: Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, 73 <sup>rd</sup> session	11 – 15 August	Geneva, Palais des Nations
Sub-Commission: Working Group on Communications	16 – 27 August	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Ad Hoc Committee to elaborate a convention on the rights of persons with disabilities	23 August - 3 September	New York
Assembly of the States Parties of the International Criminal Court, 3 <sup>rd</sup> session	6 – 10 September	The Hague
Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	9 September	New York
CHR: Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, 40 <sup>th</sup> session	13 - 17 September	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Committee on the Rights of the Child, 37 <sup>th</sup> session	13 September – 1 October	Geneva, Palais Wilson
CHR: Working Group on the Draft United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 10 <sup>th</sup> session	13 - 24 September	Geneva, Palais Wilson
General Assembly, 59 <sup>th</sup> session	September - December	New York
CHR: One-day informal meeting of the Commission on Human Rights	September	Geneva, Palais des Nations
Pre-sessional Working Group, Committee on the Rights of the Child, 38 <sup>th</sup> session	4 - 8 October	Geneva, Palais Wilson
UNCTAD: Trade and Development Board, 51 <sup>st</sup> session	4 - 15 October	Geneva
Pre-sessional working group of the Human Rights Committee, 82 <sup>nd</sup> session	11 – 15 October	Geneva
Human Rights Committee, 82 <sup>nd</sup> session	18 October - 5 November	Geneva
UNHCR: Executive Committee, 55 <sup>th</sup> session	October	Geneva
UNESCO: Executive Board	October	Paris
ILO: Meeting of the Governing Body and its committees, 291 <sup>st</sup> session	4 - 19 November	Geneva
Pre-sessional Working Group, Committee against Torture	8 - 12 November	Geneva, Palais Wilson
CHR: Working group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances, 74 <sup>th</sup> session	8 - 19 November	Geneva, Palais des Nations
Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Technical Co-operation in the Field of Human Rights, 22 <sup>nd</sup> session	8 - 10 November	Geneva

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 33 <sup>rd</sup> session	8 - 26 November	Geneva, Palais Wilson
ILO: Committee of Experts on the application of Conventions and Recommendations	25 November - 10 December	Geneva
Committee against Torture	15 - 26 November	Geneva, Palais Wilson
CHR: Working Group on Arbitrary Detention	17 – 28 November	Geneva, Palais des Nations
UNHCHR: Field Presences Meeting	22 – 26 November	Geneva, Palais Wilson
ILO: Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations	25 November – 10 December	Geneva
Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People	29 November	New York
Pre-sessional working group Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 34 <sup>th</sup> session	29 November - 3 December	Geneva, Palais Wilson
Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (1 <sup>st</sup> meeting)	November	New York
United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities (1 day)	November	New York
Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and other Arabs of the Occupied Territories	Dates to be determined	Geneva
2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the States Parties to the International Convention on the Right of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families	Dates to be determined	New York
<b>2004: UN Commission on Human Rights, 60<sup>th</sup> session: 15 March - 23 April 2004</b>		

Abbreviations: **CHR**: Commission on Human Rights; **ECOSOC**: Economic and Social Council; **FAO**: Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations; **ILO**: International Labour Organisation; **ITU**: International Telecommunication Union; **UNCTAD**: United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; **UNESCO**: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation; **UNHCR**: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; **UNICEF**: United Nations Children's Fund; **WHO**: World Health Organisation; **WIPO**: World Intellectual Property Organisation; **WTO**: World Trade Organisation.

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## UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

As the main body of the UN, the General Assembly consists of all the member States of the UN. In addition to these member States, the Holy See has Observer status.

The General Assembly has six **main committees** that correspond to the major fields of the work of the Organisation:

- First Committee: Disarmament and International Security issues,
- Second Committee: Economic and Financial issues,
- Third Committee: Social, Humanitarian and Cultural issues,
- Fourth Committee: Special Political and Decolonisation issues,
- Fifth Committee: Administrative and Budgetary issues,
- Sixth Committee: Legal issues.

The President of the 58<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly is Mr Julian R. HUNTE (Saint Lucia).

## UN SECURITY COUNCIL

The Security Council consists of five permanent members and 10 non-permanent members, five of which are elected each year by the General Assembly for a term of two years.

### MEMBERSHIP OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL IN 2004

Permanent members	Non-permanent members	Mandate expires on 31 December
China	Algeria	2005
France	Angola	2004
Russian Federation	Benin	2005
United Kingdom	Brazil	2005
United States of America	Chile	2004
	Germany	2004
	Pakistan	2004
	Philippines	2005
	Romania	2005
	Spain	2004

## ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL (ECOSOC)<sup>1</sup>

### MEMBERSHIP OF THE ECOSOC IN 2004

**African States (14):** Benin (2005)\*, Burundi (2004), Congo (2005), Ghana (2004), Kenya (2005), Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (2004), Mauritius (2006), Mozambique (2005), Namibia (2006), Nigeria (2006), Senegal (2005), Tunisia (2006), United Republic of Tanzania (2006), Zimbabwe (2004).

**Asian States (11):** Bangladesh (2006), Bhutan (2004), China (2004), India (2004), Indonesia (2006), Japan (2005), Malaysia (2005), Qatar (2004), Republic of Korea (2006), Saudi Arabia (2005), United Arab Emirates (2006).

**Eastern European States (6):** Armenia (2006), Azerbaijan (2005), Hungary (2004), Poland (2006), Russian Federation (2004), Ukraine (2004).

**Latin American and Caribbean States (10):** Belize (2006), Chile (2004), Colombia (2006), Cuba (2005), Ecuador (2005), El Salvador (2004), Guatemala (2004), Jamaica (2005), Nicaragua (2005), Panama (2006).

**Western European and Other States (13):** Australia (2004), Belgium (2006), Canada (2006), Finland (2004), France (2005), Germany (2005), Greece (2005), Ireland (2005), Italy (2006), Sweden (2004), Turkey (2005), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2004), United States of America (2006).

The President of the ECOSOC for 2004 is Ms Marjatta RASI (Ambassador of Finland).  
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\*The date in between brackets indicates the extent of membership. The mandates end on 31 December.

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## PERMANENT FORUM ON INDIGENOUS ISSUES

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<b>Latin American and Caribbean States (11)</b>		<b>Western European and Other States (10)</b>			
Argentina	2005	Australia	2005		
Brazil	2005	Austria	2004		
Chile	2004	France	2004		
Costa Rica	2006	Germany	2005		
Cuba	2006	Ireland	2005		
Dominican Republic	2006	Italy	2006		
Guatemala	2006	Netherlands	2006		
Honduras	2006	Sweden	2004		
Mexico	2004	United Kingdom	2006		
Paraguay	2005	United States of America	2005		
Peru	2006				
<b>African States (15)</b>		<b>Asia-Pacific States (12)</b>		<b>Eastern European States (5)</b>	
Burkina Faso	2005	Bahrain	2004	Armenia	2004
Congo	2006	Bhutan	2006	Croatia	2004
Egypt	2006	China	2005	Hungary	2006
Eritrea	2006	India	2006	Russian Federation	2006
Ethiopia	2006	Indonesia	2006	Ukraine	2005
Gabon	2005	Japan	2005		
Mauritania	2006	Nepal	2006		
Nigeria	2006	Pakistan	2004		
Sierra Leone	2004	Quatar	2006		
South Africa	2006	Republic of Korea	2004		
Sudan	2004	Saudi Arabia	2006		
Swaziland	2005	Sri Lanka	2005		
Togo	2004				
Uganda	2004				
Zimbabwe	2005				
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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE 60<sup>TH</sup> SESSION**

1. Election of officers
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Organisation of the work of the session
4. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and follow-up to the World Conference on Human Rights
5. The right of peoples to self-determination and its application to peoples under colonial or alien domination or foreign occupation
6. Racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and all forms of discrimination
7. The right to development
8. Question of the violation of human rights in the Occupied Arab Territories, including Palestine
9. Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in any part of the world including:
  - a. Question of human rights in Cyprus
  - b. 1503 procedure
10. Economic, social and cultural rights
11. Civil and political rights, including the questions of:
  - a. Torture and detention
  - b. Disappearances and summary executions
  - c. Freedom of expression
  - d. Independence of the judiciary, administration of justice, impunity
  - e. Religious intolerance
  - f. States of emergency
  - g. Conscientious objection to military service
12. Integration of the human rights of women and a gender perspective:
  - a. Violence against women
13. Rights of the child
14. Specific groups and individuals:
  - a. Migrant workers
  - b. Minorities
  - c. Mass exoduses and displaced persons
  - d. Other vulnerable groups and individuals
15. Indigenous issues
16. Report of the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights
  - a. Report and draft decisions
  - b. Election of members
17. Promotion and protection of human rights:
  - a. Status of International Covenants on Human Rights
  - b. Human rights defenders
  - c. Information and education
  - d. Science and the environment
18. Effective functioning of human rights mechanisms:
  - a. Treaty bodies
  - b. National institutions and regional arrangements
  - c. Adaptation and strengthening of the United Nations machinery for human rights
19. Advisory services and technical co-operation in the field of human rights
20. Rationalisation of the work of the Commission
21.
  - a. Draft Provisional agenda for the 61<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission
  - b. Report to the Economic and Social Council on the 60<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission

## WORKING GROUPS OF THE COMMISSION

(As established or extended by the Commission on Human Rights during its 60<sup>th</sup> session)

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The Commission on Human Rights has established various mechanisms to investigate thematic issues and country situations and to produce detailed reports. The mandates for these investigations are enshrined in the resolutions of the Commission, which request the Chairperson to appoint an expert or a group of experts to investigate a theme or a country for a specific time period, which may be extended by future Commission resolutions. Sometimes, the resolution has requested the Secretary-General to appoint a representative for the procedure concerned.

These measures of the Commission are known as its special procedures. The following list provides the names of the experts (first by themes and then by countries), and the names of the staff in the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) assisting them.

The OHCHR has a central fax number (which is only watched during office hours in Geneva) for those specific cases that require urgent action by one of the special procedures (when their mandates allow them to act on such requests). The fax number is (41 22) 917 9006.

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As of 3 February 2004, 49 countries have extended a **standing invitation** to the thematic procedures of the Commission on Human Rights. Those countries are: Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Georgia, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Iran, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, South Africa, Turkey, the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland

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- **Effects of structural adjustment policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights**  
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- **Question of torture**

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**Sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography**

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- **Situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people**

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- **Use of mercenaries as a means of impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination**

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- **Disabled persons**  
The Special Rapporteur reported to the 59<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission on Human Rights and further to Commission Resolution 2003/49 will report to its 60<sup>th</sup> session.

### VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN

Mr Paulo Sergio PINHEIRO was appointed on 12 February 2003 by the UN Secretary-General as Independent Expert to lead a global study on violence against children. The study is to be guided by the Convention on the Rights of the Child. A two-year mandate to be carried out in close collaboration with the OHCHR, the UNESCO and the WHO. Ms Gillespie will be the director of the study and will be based at UNICEF in Geneva.

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<b>Many reports have also to be prepared by the High Commissioner and the UN Secretariat for the Commission on Human Rights.</b> The following reports among others have been requested for the 60 <sup>th</sup> session of the Commission on Human Rights:	
• Cambodia	• Right to development
• Children in armed conflict	• Right to food
• Composition of the staff of the OHCHR	• Right to health
• Democratic Republic of the Congo	• Right to housing
• Extrajudicial executions	• Sale of children
• Freedom of expression and opinion	• Situation of human rights in Afghanistan
• Human rights and extreme poverty	• Situation of human rights in Sierra Leone
• Human rights and unilateral coercive measures	• Situation of migrants
• Independence of the judiciary	• Situation in Colombia (report of OHCHR Bogotá office)
• Integrating the human rights of women throughout the UN system	• Status of the International Covenants on human rights
• Mercenaries and self-determination	• Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment
• National institutions and regional arrangements for the promotion and protection of human rights	• Toxic waste and the environment
• Question of the violation of human rights in the Occupied Arab Territories, including Palestine	• UN Decade for Human Rights Education
• Regional co-operation for the promotion and protection of human rights in the Asian and Pacific Region	• Violence against women



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## B. MODEL QUESTIONNAIRES FOR COMMUNICATIONS / COMPLAINTS TO THE UN

*(Condensed versions of the questionnaires provided by the relevant Special Rapporteurs/Working Groups)*

**Replies to the questionnaires should be sent to the UN staff member (Secretariat) assisting the Special Rapporteur/Working Group in question at the OHCHR.**

The full questionnaires can be found at the web site of the OHCHR, [www.unhchr.ch](http://www.unhchr.ch) (using the following links: OHCHR programme ⇒ communication/ complaints procedure ⇒ model questionnaires for communications/complaints)

### WORKING GROUP ON ENFORCED OR INVOLUNTARY DISAPPEARANCES

- **Identity of the person subjected to enforced or involuntary disappearance:** Family name - First name – Sex – Birth date or age (at the time of disappearance) – Nationality(ies) – Civil status (single, married etc) – Identity card number – Profession – Address of usual residence – Activities (trade union, political, religious, humanitarian/solidarity, press etc).
- **Date of disappearance:** Year, month, day of the disappearance Place of arrest or abduction or where the missing person was last seen - Other indications relating to date of disappearance.
- **Place of disappearance** (Indicate as precisely as possible country, province, city, location, etc.): Place where missing person was arrested or abducted - Place where missing person was last seen - If subsequent to the disappearance of the person information was received about him/her being detained, please indicate, if possible the places (official or others) and period of detention, as well as the source of the information, in particular witnesses who have seen the disappeared person in captivity - Other indications concerning the place of disappearance.
- **Forces believed to be responsible for the disappearance:** If the person was arrested or abducted, please indicate who carried out the arrest: military, police, persons in uniform or civilian clothes, agents of security services, unidentified; whether these agents identified themselves (which credentials, orally, etc.), whether they were armed, whether they appeared to act with impunity, whether a vehicle was used (official, with or without licence plates, etc.) - If the forces or agents who carried out the arrest or abduction cannot be identified, state why you believe that Government authorities, or persons linked to them, are responsible for the disappearance - If the arrest or abduction took place in the presence of witnesses indicate the names of the witnesses; if the witnesses have not identified themselves or wish to withhold their names, indicate if they are relatives, neighbours, by-passers etc. - If any written evidence of the arrest exists, please describe (arrest order, communiqués, official notes, letters, etc.) - If a search took place of the missing person's domicile, office or place of work (or that of any other person connected with him/her), before, during or after the disappearance please indicate and describe the search - If someone was questioned concerning the disappeared person by agents of the security services, official authorities or other persons related to them, before or after the arrest (or disappearance), please indicate and provide available information concerning the questioning.
- **National action (legal or other) on behalf of the missing person:** Habeas corpus, amparo or similar: Nature of the action - Date - Tribunal - Result (date and nature) - If a judicial decision exists, please indicate its contents, if possible - Criminal complaints: Nature of the action - Date - Tribunal - Result (date and nature) - If a judicial decision exists please indicate its contents, if possible - Other measures taken at the national level: (letters, petitions, etc., or steps taken before the civil or military authorities).
- **Measures taken at the international level on behalf of the missing person:** Organisations addressed - Date - Result.

- **Related cases of arrest or disappearance, in particular missing relatives of children:** Give a narrative account indicating relevant names, dates and places - If the missing person was pregnant at the time of disappearance, please indicate the date on which her baby might have been born.
- **Information concerning the author of the present report:** Surname - First name - Nationality(ies), Relationship with the missing person - Present address - Telephone.
- **Confidentiality:** Please state whether the author of the present report wishes his/her identity to be kept confidential (Print the word "confidential" beside the relevant entry).
- **Date and signature of author.**

#### Notes:

- (i) Information on the enforced or involuntary disappearance of a person varies greatly in detail by reason of the nature of each case and the surrounding circumstances. While it is important to receive as much information as possible, missing details should not prevent the submitting of reports. However, the Working Group can only deal with **clearly identified individual cases** containing the following **minimum elements of information**:
- Year, month, day of the disappearance,
  - Place of arrest or abduction or where the missing person was last seen,
  - Indication of the persons believed to have carried out the arrest or abduction,
  - Indication of the action taken by the relatives or others to locate the missing person (inquiries with authorities, habeas corpus petitions etc.),
  - Identity of the person or organisation submitting the report (name and address, which will be kept confidential, upon request).
- (ii) Information on the enforced or involuntary disappearance of a person may be submitted in any written form, in urgent cases preferably by cable or telex. In submitting such reports, consideration may be given to preparing a narrative summary of the events and providing, to the extent possible, the information listed on the attached form. A photograph of the missing person and annexes, such as habeas corpus petitions or statements of witnesses can be sent with the suggested form. Please send only copies of documents, the originals should remain in your files. The person or organisation making the reports should be clearly identified and an address should be given at which they can be contacted. If the author of the report is not a relative of the missing person, but acts, directly or indirectly, upon the family's request, he should remain in contact with the family, since any replies obtained by the Working Group on the missing person's fate or whereabouts are for the exclusive information of the relatives.

### SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON EXTRAJUDICIAL, SUMMARY OR ARBITRARY EXECUTIONS

Any individual, group, NGO, intergovernmental agency or Government who has reliable knowledge of the occurrence of an extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary execution, can bring the relevant information before the Special Rapporteur.

Information is needed on following matters:

- **Incident:** Date - Place - Description of how the incident occurred - In cases of alleged violations of the right to life in connection with the death penalty, information on shortcomings with regard to fair trial guarantees - In cases of imminent violations of the right to life, the reasons for which the person's life is feared to be at risk - In cases of imminent alleged violations in connection with the death penalty, in addition to the aforementioned information, the appeals submitted.
- **Victims of the incident:** The number of victims - If known, their name, age, sex, profession and/or activities if related to the (imminent) violation of the right to life.
- **Alleged perpetrators:** If known, an explanation of the reasons why they are suspected of being responsible - If the perpetrators are not State agents, details about how these forces or individuals relate to the State (e.g. co-operation with State security forces including information on chains of

command; State connivance with or tolerance of their operations etc.).

- **Source of the allegation:** Name and full address of the organisation or individual submitting the allegation to the Special Rapporteur.

Other information which is of interest to the Special Rapporteur, if available, includes:

- Additional information regarding the victims of the incident which may help identify them, e.g. their place of residence or origin; additional information regarding the alleged perpetrators: names, the unit or service to which they belong as well as their rank and functions.
- Information regarding steps taken by the victims or their families and, in particular, about complaints filed, by whom, and before which organ. If no complaint was filed, information as to why not.
- Information regarding steps taken by the authorities to investigate the alleged violation of the right to life and/or measures adopted to protect persons under threat as well as to prevent similar incidents in the future, in particular, if complaints were filed, the action taken by the competent organs upon their receipt; the progress and status of investigation at the time of the submission of the allegation; in case the results of the investigation are said to be unsatisfactory, an explanation of why this is so.

More general information relating to the right to life, e.g. on recent legislative developments with regard to capital punishment, on amnesty laws, or reliable information indicating a pattern with regard to impunity, is welcomed by the Special Rapporteur as well. Such information enables him to evaluate better the general situation of the right to life in particular countries.

### **SPECIAL RAPPOREUR ON TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT**

- **Identity of the person(s) subjected to torture:** Family name - First name and other names - Sex (male, female) – Birth, date or age - Nationality - Occupation - Identity card number (if applicable) - Activities (trade union, political, religious, humanitarian/solidarity, press, etc.). Residential and/or work address.
- **Circumstances surrounding torture:** Date and place of arrest and subsequent torture - Identity of force(s) carrying out the initial detention and/or torture (police, intelligence services armed forces, paramilitary, prison officials, other) - Were any persons, such as a lawyer, relatives or friends permitted to see the victim during detention ? - If so, how long after the arrest ? - Describe the methods of torture used - What injuries were sustained as a result of the torture ? - What was believed to be the purpose of the torture ? - Was the victim examined by a doctor at any point during or after his/her ordeal ? - If so, when ? - Was the examination performed by a prison or government doctor ? - Was appropriate treatment received for injuries sustained as a result of the torture ? - Was the medical examination performed in a manner, which would enable the doctor to detect evidence of injuries sustained as a result of the torture ? - Were any medical reports or certificates issued ? - If so, what did the report reveal ? - If the victim died in custody, was an autopsy or forensic examination performed and which were the results ?
- **Remedial action:** Were any domestic remedies pursued by the victim or his/her family or representatives (complaints with the forces responsible, the judiciary, political organs, etc.) ? - If so, what was the result ?
- **Information concerning the author of the present report :** Family name - First name - Relationship to victim - Organisation represented, if any - Present full address.

#### **Notes:**

- (i) Although it is important to provide as much detail as possible, the lack of a comprehensive

accounting should not necessarily preclude the submission of reports: However, the Special Rapporteur can only deal with clearly **identified individual cases** containing the following **minimum elements of information**:

- Full name of the victim;
- Date on which the incident(s) of torture occurred (at least as to the month and year);
- Place where the person was seized (city, province, etc.) and location at which the torture was carried out (if known to the victim);
- Indication of the forces carrying out the torture;
- Description of the form of torture used and injury suffered as a result;
- Identity of the person or organisation submitting the report (name and address, which will be kept confidential).

(ii) Additional sheets should be attached where space does not allow for a full rendering of the information requested. Also, copies of any relevant corroborating documents, such as medical or police records should be supplied where it is believed that such information may contribute to a fuller accounting of the incident. Only copies and not originals of such documents should be sent.

### **SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, ITS CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES**

- **Informer:** Name of person/organisation - Address - Fax/tel./e-mail.
- **Victims:** Name - Address - Date of birth - Nationality - Sex - Occupation - Ethnic background (if relevant) - Marital status.
- **incident:** Date - Time - Location/country - Number of assailants - Are the assailant(s) known to the victim ? - Description of the assailant(s) (include any identifiable features) – Does the victim have a relationship with the assailant(s) ? If so what is the nature of the relationship ?
- **Description of the incident** – The harm suffered or to be prevented – If the case concerns a law or a policy rather than a specific incident, summarise the law or the policy and the effects it has on the implementation on women's human rights - Does the victim believe she was specifically targeted because of gender ? - If yes, why ? - Has incident been reported to the relevant State authorities ? - If so, which authorities and when ? - Include information about steps taken by officials to investigate the alleged violation and to prevent similar incidents in the future - Actions taken by the authorities after the incident - The status of the investigation at the time the communication is submitted. Although it is important to provide as much information as possible, communications can be submitted even if the victim does not have all details. It is helpful to provide a summary of the main points of the case.
- **Witnesses:** Were there any witnesses ? – Name/age/relationship/contact address.
- **Documentation:** Try to document your case – Submit copies of medical records, newspaper articles, laws and judicial decisions, statements by Government authorities, official views about your case, statements by lawyers, doctors or other experts, photographs or other documentation that can support your allegations.
- **Private perpetrators:** If the violation was committed by private individuals or groups (rather than Government officials), include any information that may indicate that the Government failed to prevent, investigate, punish, and ensure compensation for the violation. Include, if possible, information on:
  - a. Whether or not there is a law that addresses the violation;
  - b. Any defects in existing laws such as inadequate remedies or definitions of rights;
  - c. The refusal or failure by authorities to register or investigate your case and other similar cases;
  - d. The failure by authorities to prosecute your case and other similar cases;
  - e. Patterns of gender discrimination in the prosecution or sentencing of cases;
  - f. Statistics and other data concerning the prevalence of the type of violation described in the

submission.

- **Communications of an urgent nature:** In cases where urgent action is needed, explain why immediate steps must be taken by the Special Rapporteur.

## WORKING GROUP ON ARBITRARY DETENTION<sup>2</sup>

- **Identity of the person arrested or detained:** Family name - First name - Sex (male / female) – Birth, date of age (at the detention) - Nationality(ies) - Identity document (issued by, date, number) - Profession and/or activity (if believed to be relevant to the arrest/detention) - Address of usual residence.
- **Arrest<sup>3</sup>:** Date of arrest - Place of arrest (as detailed as possible) - Forces who carried out the arrest or are believed to have carried it out - Did they show a warrant or other decision by a public authority? - Authority who issued the warrant or decision - Relevant legislation applied (if known).
- **Detention:** Date of detention - Duration of detention (if not known, probable duration) - Forces holding the detained under custody - Places of detention (indicates any transfer and present place of detention) - Authorities that ordered the detention - Reasons for the detention imputed by the authorities - Relevant legislation applied (if known).
- **Circumstances<sup>4</sup>:** Describe the circumstances of the arrest and/or the detention and indicate precise reasons why you consider the arrest or detention to be arbitrary.
- **Further information:** Indicate internal steps, including domestic remedies, taken especially with the legal and administrative authorities, particularly for the purpose of establishing the detention and, as appropriate, their results or the reasons why such steps or remedies were ineffective or why they were not taken.
- **Person submitting the information<sup>5</sup>:** Full name and address, telephone and fax number.

## SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS

- **Information regarding the alleged victim:** Family name - First name and other names – Age - Sex (male, female) – Profession or occupation – Place of residence (or origin, if relevant to the violation suffered) – Victim's affiliation (if any, with an organisation, association or group engaged in human rights work) – Name of organisation, association or group – Name of the person heading the organization, association or group - Nature of human rights work the individual performs - If the alleged violation is against an organisation: name of the organisation, nature of the human rights work/activities in which it is engaged, territorial scope of its work (national, regional, international) - Affiliations with other human rights organisations, if any - Name of person(s) heading the organisation.
- **Nature of the alleged violation:** (Relevant information regarding the violation allegedly committed against the human rights defender, or organization, association or group,

<sup>2</sup> A separate questionnaire must be completed for each case of alleged arbitrary arrest or detention. As far as possible, all details requested should be given. Nevertheless, failure to do so will not necessarily result in the inadmissibility of the communication.

<sup>3</sup> For the purpose of this questionnaire, "arrest" refers to the initial act of apprehending a person. "Detention" means and includes detention before, during and after trial.

<sup>4</sup> Copies of documents that prove the arbitrary nature of the arrest or detention, or help to better understand the specific circumstances of the case, as well as any other relevant information, may also be attached to this questionnaire.

<sup>5</sup> If a case is submitted to the Working Group by anyone other than the victim or his family, such person or organisation should indicate authorisation by the victim or his family to act on their behalf. If, however, the authorisation is not readily available, the Working Group reserves the right to proceed without the authorisation. All details concerning the person(s) submitting the information to the Working Group, and any authorisation provided by the victim or his family, will be kept confidential.

including): Date – Place - Description of the events/incident – Nature of violation suffered or threatened (information must indicate the connection of the alleged violation to human rights activities performed).

- **Perpetrator(s) of the alleged violation:** Name (if known) - If they are members of security forces, their rank, functions, the units or service, etc. to which they belong - If they are members of a civil defence group, armed group etc., details on how these groups relate to the state (e.g. co-operation with State security forces, including information on chains of command, if available, State collusion with or acquiescence in their operations).
- **Steps taken by the concerned authorities:** Whether or not an investigation or inquiry into the alleged violation has been initiated and/or concluded – If so, by which authority - Progress and status of the inquiry at time of submission - Whether the investigation/inquiry has resulted in charges or other legal action - If so, why the result was unsatisfactory and measures taken to protect person (s) under threat.
- **Violation alleged that may be the result of more than one occasion/continued violation owing to conditions, policies, practices or laws that obstruct the promotion, protection and/or realisation of human rights:** All relevant information regarding such conditions, policies, practices and laws - Nature of prejudices suffered - Methods used for impeding the work of human rights defenders - Agencies (State, non-State) employed for harassment, intimidation and/or injury to human rights defenders - Possible measures that can be taken to remedy the situation - Any action taken by individual/groups at the national level to reverse the practices for reform of the laws that are contrary to the rights recognised by the Declaration.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> Please note in the submission whether the name of the alleged victim should not automatically be transmitted to the Government and shall remain confidential if requested.

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1. Organisation of work
2. Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms, including policies of racial discrimination and segregation, in all countries, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories: report of the Sub-Commission under Commission Resolution 8 (XXIII)
3. Administration of justice, rule of law and democracy
4. Economic, social and cultural rights
5. Prevention of discrimination:
  - (a) Racism, racial discrimination and xenophobia;
  - (b) Prevention of discrimination and protection of indigenous peoples;
  - (c) Prevention of discrimination and protection of minorities
6. Specific human rights issues:
  - (a) Women and human rights;
  - (b) Contemporary forms of slavery;
  - (c) New priorities, in particular terrorism
7. Draft provisional agenda and adoption of the report:
  - (a) Draft provisional agenda for the 56<sup>th</sup> session of the Sub-Commission;
  - (b) Adoption of the report on the 55<sup>th</sup> session

## WORKING GROUPS OF THE SUB-COMMISSION

(As decided during its 55<sup>th</sup> session)<sup>7</sup>

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Mr Rajsoomer LALLAH	Mauritius	2004
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Ms Ayse FERIDE ACAR**	Turkey	2004
Ms Maria Yolanda FERRER GÓMEZ	Cuba	2004
Ms Naela GABR	Egypt	2006
Ms Françoise GASPARD	France	2004
Ms Aída GONZÁLEZ MARTÍNEZ	Mexico	2004
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Ms Rosario MANALO**	Philippines	2006
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Ms Fumiko SAIGA	Japan	2006
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## COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE

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Mr Guibril CAMARA **	Senegal	2007
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Mr Kamel FILALI	Algeria	2007
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# **AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS**

## **FUNCTIONS OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS**

Established by the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights, the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights is charged with ensuring the promotion and protection of Human and Peoples' Rights throughout the African Continent. In its activities, the African Commission has three major functions:

- **The promotion of human and peoples' rights**

Among other things, the Commission collects documents, undertakes studies and researches on African problems in the field of human and peoples' rights. The Commission can give its views and recommendations on various issues to Governments and formulate and lay down principles and rules aimed at solving legal problems relating to human and peoples' rights. It considers State reports on measures taken to implement the African Charter and can initiate institutional co-operation with other African or international human rights institutions.

- **The protection of human and peoples' rights**

The Commission is charged with ensuring the protection of human and peoples' rights under the conditions laid down by the Charter and according to the rules provided for in the Rules of Procedure of the Commission. For instance, the Commission has the power to receive and consider communications from individuals, organisations and inter-State complaints.

- **The interpretation of the African Charter of Human and Peoples' Rights**

The Commission has the mandate to interpret all provisions of the African Charter at the request of a State Party, an institution of the Organization of African Unity or an African Organisation recognised by the Organisation of African Unity.

## MEMBERSHIP OF THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS

The Commission is composed of eleven members elected by secret ballot by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government for a renewable period of six years. The members serve in their personal and individual capacity.

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- (ii) The Communication must be compatible with the Charter of the OAU and with the African

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- (iii) The Communication must not be written in insulting language directed against the State or the OAU;
- (iv) The Communication must not be based exclusively on news from the media;
- (v) The complainant must have exhausted all available domestic legal remedies;
- (vi) The Communication must be submitted within a reasonable time from the date of exhaustion of domestic remedies;
- (vii) The Communication must not deal with a matter which has already been settled by some other international human rights body.

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The international human rights instruments of the UN which establish treaty bodies to monitor their implementation are the following<sup>9</sup>:

- The **International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights** (ICESCR), which is monitored by the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; entry into force: 1976;
- The **International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights** (ICCPR), which is monitored by the Human Rights Committee; entry into force: 1976;
- The **Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights** (OPT), which is supervised by the Human Rights Committee; entry into force: 1976;
- The **Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights** aimed at the abolition of the death penalty (OPT2), which is supervised by the Human Rights Committee; entry into force: 1991;
- The **International Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination** (CERD), which is monitored by the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination; States with \* have accepted the individual complaint procedure under article 14 (48 States parties); entry into force: 1969;
- The **Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women** (CEDAW), which is monitored by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women; entry into force: 1981;
- The **Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women** (OPT), which is supervised by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women; entry into force: 2000;
- The **Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment** (CAT), which is monitored by the Committee against Torture; states with \* have accepted the individual complaints procedure under article 22 (52 States parties); entry into force: 1987;
- The **Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment** CAT-OP, not yet entered into force;
- The **Convention on the Rights of the Child** (CRC), which is monitored by the Committee on the Rights of the Child; entry into force: 1990;
- The **Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflicts** (OPT), which is monitored by the Committee on the Rights of the Child; entry into force: 2002;
- The **Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography** (OPT2), which is monitored by the Committee on the Rights of the Child; entry into force: 2002;
- The **International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of all Migrant Workers and Members of their Families** (MWC), which is monitored by the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of all Migrant Workers and members of their Families; entry into force: 2003.

The following list of ratifications of all States is based on the database as it is published at [www.un.org](http://www.un.org). This database is maintained by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations. The year of ratification below is determined according to the criteria used by the treaty section (the legal custodian). The criteria used by the treaty monitoring bodies vary slightly from those used by the Treaty Section. However this variation does not generally affect the year of ratification.

We have used the database of the Treaty Section because it is kept by the legal depository and it is

<sup>8</sup> Main source: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, "Status of Ratifications of the Principal International Human Rights Treaties", as of February 2004.

<sup>9</sup> The sessions of the Group of Three, the body supervising the implementation of the Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid, have been suspended in 1995.

regularly updated. One can subscribe to the database or access it from the UN Library at "Palais des Nations".

STATE	ICESCR	ICCPR	OPT	OPT2	CERD	CEDAW	OPT	CAT	CAT-OP	CRC	OPT	OPT2	MWC
Afghanistan	1983	1983	-	-	1983	2003	-	1987	-	1994		2002	-
Albania	1991	1991	-	-	1994	1994	2003	1994	2003	1992			-
Algeria	1989	1989	1989	-	1972*	1996	-	1989*	-	1993			-
Andorra	-	-	-	-	-	1997	2002	-	-	1996	2001	2001	-
Angola	1992	1992	1992	-	-	1986	-	-	-	1990			-
Antigua and Barbuda	-	-	-	-	1988	1989	-	1993	-	1993		2002	-
Argentina	1986	1986	1986	-	1968	1985	-	1986*	-	1990	2002	2003	-
Armenia	1993	1993	1993	-	1993	1993	-	1993	-	1993			-
Australia	1975	1980	1991	1990	1975*	1983	-	1989*	-	1990			-
Austria	1978	1978	1987	1993	1972*	1982	2000	1987*	-	1992	2002		-
Azerbaijan	1992	1992	2001	1999	1996*	1995	2001	1996*	-	1992	002	002	999
Bahamas	-	-	-	-	1975	1993	-	-	-	1991			-
Bahrain	-	-	-	-	1990	2002	-	1998	-	1992			-
Bangladesh	1998	2000	-	-	1979	1984	2000	1998	-	1990	2000	2000	-
Barbados	1973	1973	1973	-	1972	1980	-	-	-	1990			-
Belarus	1973	1973	1992	-	1969	1981	-	1987	-	1990		2002	-
Belgium	1983	1983	1994	1998	1975*	1985	-	1999*	-	1991	2002		-
Belize	-	1996	-	-	2001	1990	2002	1986	-	1990	2003	2003	2001
Benin	1992	1992	1992	-	2001	1992	-	1992	-	1990			-
Bhutan	-	-	-	-	-	1981	-	-	-	1990			-
Bolivia	1982	1982	1982	-	1970	1990	2000	1999	-	1990		2003	2000
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1992	1993	1995	2001	1993	1993	2002	1993*	-	1993	2003	2002	1996
Botswana	-	2000	-	-	1974	1996	-	2000	-	1995		2003	-
Brazil	1992	1992	-	-	1968*	1984	2002	1989	-	1990	-	-	-
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1995	-	-	-
Bulgaria	1970	1970	1992	1999	1966*	1982	-	1986*	-	1991	2002	2002	-
Burkina Faso	1999	1999	1999	-	1974	1987	-	1999	-	1990	-	-	2003
Burundi	1990	1990	-	-	1977	1992	-	1993*	-	1990	-	-	-
Cambodia	1992	1992	-	-	1983	1992	-	1992	-	1992	-	2002	-
Cameroon	1984	1984	1984	-	1971	1994	-	1986*	-	1993			-
Canada	1976	1976	1976	-	1970	1981	2002	1987*	-	1991	2000		-
Cape Verde	1993	1993	2000	2000	1979	1980	-	1992	-	1992	2002	2002	1997
Central African Republic	1981	1981	1981	-	1971	1991	-	-	-	1992			-
Chad	1995	1995	1995	-	1977	1995	-	1995	-	1990	2003	2002	-
Chile	1972	1972	1992	-	1971*	1989	-	1988	-	1990	2003	2003	-
China	2001	-	-	-	1981	1980	-	1988	-	1992		2002	-
Colombia	1969	1969	1969	1997	1981	1982	-	1987	-	1991		2003	1995
Comoros	-	-	-	-	-	1994	-	-	-	1993			-
Congo (Republic of the)	1983	1983	1983	-	1988	1982	-	-	-	1993			-

STATE	ICESCR	ICCPR	OPT	OPT2	CERD	CEDAW	OPT	CAT	CAT-OP	CRC	OPT	OPT2	MWC
Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	1976	1976	1976	-	1976	1986	-	1996	-	1990	2001	2001	-
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1997			-
Costa Rica	1968	1968	1968	1998	1967*	1986	2001	1993*	-	1990	2003	2002	-
Côte d'Ivoire	1992	1992	1997	-	1973	1995	-	1995	-	1991			-
Croatia	1991	1992	1995	1995	1992	1992	2001	1992*	-	1992	2002	2002	-
Cuba	-	-	-	-	1972	1980	-	1995	-	1991		2001	-
Cyprus	1969	1969	1992	1999	1967*	1985	2002	1991*	-	1991			-
Czech Republic	1993	1993	1993	-	1993*	1993	2001	1993*	-	1993	2001		-
Denmark	1972	1972	1972	1994	1971*	1983	2000	1987*	-	1991	2002		-
Djibouti	2002	2002	2002	2002	-	1998	-	2002	-	1990			-
Dominica	1993	1993	-	-	-	1980	-	-	-	1991	2002	2002	-
Dominican Republic	1978	1978	1978	-	1983	1982	2001	-	-	1991			-
Ecuador	1969	1969	1969	1993	1966*	1981	2002	1988*	-	1990			2002
Egypt	1982	1982	-	-	1967	1981	-	1986	-	1990		2002	1993
El Salvador	1979	1979	1995	-	1979	1981	-	1996	-	1990	2002		2003
Equatorial Guinea	1987	1987	1987	-	2002	1984	-	2002	-	1992		2003	-
Eritrea	2001	2002	-	-	2001	1995	-	-	-	1994			-
Estonia	1991	1991	1991	-	1991	1991	-	1991	-	1991			-
Ethiopia	1993	1993	-	-	1976	1981	-	1994	-	1991			-
Fiji	-	-	-	-	1973	1995	-	-	-	1993			-
Finland	1975	1975	1975	1991	1970*	1986	2000	1989*	-	1991	2002		-
France	1980	1980	1984	-	1971*	1983	2000	1986*	-	1990	2003	2003	-
Gabon	1983	1983	-	-	1980	1983	-	2000	-	1994	-	-	-
Gambia	1978	1979	1988	-	1978	1993	-	-	-	1990	-	-	-
Georgia	1994	1994	1994	1999	1999	1994	2002	1994	-	1994	-		-
Germany	1973	1973	1993	1992	1969*	1985	2002	1990*	-	1992	-	-	-
Ghana	2000	2000	2000	-	1966	1986	-	2000	-	1990	-		2000
Greece	1985	1997	1997	1997	1970	1983	2002	1988*	-	1993	2003	-	-
Grenada	1991	1991	-	-	-	1990	-	-	-	1990	-		-
Guatemala	1988	1992	2000	-	1983	1982	2002	1990	-	1990	2002	2002	2003
Guinea	1978	1978	1993	-	1977	1982	-	1989	-	1990			2000
Guinea-Bissau	1992	-	-	-	-	1985	-	-	-	1990			-
Guyana	1977	1977	1993	-	1977	1980	-	1988	-	1991			-
Haiti	-	1991	-	-	1972	1981	-	-	-	1995			-
Holy See	-	-	-	-	1969	-	-	2002	-	1990	2001	2001	-
Honduras	1981	1997	-	-	2002	1983	-	1996	-	1990	2002	2002	-
Hungary	1974	1974	1988	1994	1967*	1980	2000	1987*	-	1991			-
Iceland	1979	1979	1979	1991	1967*	1985	2001	1996*	-	1992	2001	2001	-
India	1979	1979	-	-	1968	1993	-	-	-	1992			-
Indonesia	-	-	-	-	1999	1984	-	1998	-	1990			-
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	1975	1975	-	-	1968	-	-	-	-	1994			-
Iraq	1971	1971	-	-	1970	1986	-	-	-	1994			-

STATE	ICESCR	ICCPR	OPT	OPT2	CERD	CEDAW	OPT	CAT	CAT-OP	CRC	OPT	OPT2	MWC
Ireland	1989	1989	1989	1993	2000*	1985	2000	2002*	-	1992	2002		-
Israel	1991	1991	-	-	1979	1991	-	1991	-	1991			-
Italy	1978	1978	1978	1995	1976*	1985	2000	1989*	-	1991	2002	2002	-
Jamaica	1975	1975	-	-	1971	1984	-	-	-	1991	2002		-
Japan	1979	1979	-	-	1995	1985	-	1999*	-	1994			-
Jordan	1975	1975	-	-	1974	1992	-	1991	-	1991			-
Kazakhstan	-	-	-	-	1998	1998	2001	1998	-	1994	2003	2001	-
Kenya	1972	1972	-	-	2001	1984	-	1997	-	1990	2002		-
Kiribati	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1995			-
Korea (Dem. people's Republic of)	1981	1981	-	-	-	2001	-	-	-	1990			-
Korea (Republic of)	1990	1990	1990	-	1978*	1984	-	1995	-	1991			-
Kuwait	1996	1996	-	-	1968	1994	-	1996	-	1991			-
Kyrgyzstan	1994	1994	1995	-	1997	1997	2002	1997	-	1994		2003	2003
Laos	-	-	-	-	1974	1981	-	-	-	1991			-
Latvia	1992	1992	1994	-	1992	1992	-	1992	-	1992			-
Lebanon	1972	1972	-	-	1971	1997	-	2000	-	1991			-
Lesotho	1992	1992	2000	-	1971	1995	-	2001	-	1992	2003	2003	-
Liberia	-	-	-	-	1976	1984	-	-	-	1993			-
Libya	1970	1970	1989	-	1968	1989	-	1989	-	1993			-
Liechtenstein	1998	1998	1998	1998	2000	1995	2001	1990*	-	1995			-
Lithuania	1991	1991	1991	2002	1998	1994	-	1996	-	1992	2003		-
Luxembourg	1983	1983	1983	1992	1978*	1989	2003	1987*	-	1994			-
Macedonia (the former Yugoslav Republic of)	1994	1994	1994	1995	1994*	1994	-	1994	-	1993			-
Madagascar	1971	1971	1971	-	1969	1989	-	-	-	1991			-
Malawi	1993	1993	1996	-	1996	1987	-	1996	-	1991			-
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-	1995	-	-	-	1995			-
Maldives	-	-	-	-	1984	1993	-	-	-	1991		2002	-
Mali	1974	1974	2001	-	1974	1985	2000	1999	-	1990	2002	2002	2003
Malta	1990	1990	1990	1994	1971*	1991	-	1990*	2003	1990	2002		-
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1993			-
Mauritania	-	-	-	-	1988	2001	-	-	-	1991			-
Mauritius	1973	1973	1973	-	1972	1984	-	1992	-	1990			-
Mexico	1981	1981	2002	-	1975	1981	2002	1986*	-	1990	2002	2002	1999
Micronesia (Federated States of)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1993			-
Moldova (Republic of)	1993	1993	-	-	1993	1994	-	1995	-	1993			-
Monaco	1997	1997	-	2000	1995*	-	-	1991*	-	1993	2001		-
Mongolia	1974	1974	1991	-	1969	1981	2002	2002	-	1990		2003	-
Morocco	1979	1979	-	-	1970	1993	-	1993	-	1993	2002	2001	1993
Mozambique	-	1993	-	1993	1983	1997	-	1999	-	1994		2003	-
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-	1997	-	-	-	1991			-
Namibia	1994	1994	1994	1994	1982	1992	2000	1994	-	1990	2002	2002	-
Nauru	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1994			-
Nepal	1991	1991	1991	1998	1971	1991	-	1991	-	1990			-

STATE	ICESCR	ICCPR	OPT	OPT2	CERD	CEDAW	OPT	CAT	CAT-OP	CRC	OPT	OPT2	MWC
Netherlands	1978	1978	1978	1991	1971*	1991	2002	1988*	-	1995			-
New Zealand	1978	1978	1989	1990	1972	1985	2000	1989*	-	1993	2001		-
Nicaragua	1980	1980	1980	-	1978	1981	-	-	-	1990			-
Niger	1986	1986	1986	-	1967	1999	-	1998	-	1990			-
Nigeria	1993	1993	-	-	1967	1985	-	2001	-	1991			-
Niue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1995			-
Norway	1972	1972	1972	1991	1970*	1981	2002	1986*	-	1991		2001	-
Oman	-	-	-	-	2003	-	-	-	-	1996			-
Pakistan	-	-	-	-	1966	1996	-	-	-	1990			-
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1995			-
Panama	1977	1977	1977	1993	1967	1981	2001	1987	-	1990	2001	2001	-
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-	1982	1995	-	-	-	1993			-
Paraguay	1992	1992	1995	2003	2003	1987	2001	1990*	-	1990	2002	2003	-
Peru	1978	1978	1980	-	1971*	1982	2001	1988*	-	1990	2002	2002	-
Philippines	1974	1986	1989	-	1967	1981	-	1986	-	1990			1995
Poland	1977	1977	1991	-	1968*	1980	-	1989*	-	1991			-
Portugal	1978	1978	1983	1990	1982*	1980	2002	1989*	-	1990		2003	-
Qatar	-	-	-	-	1976	-	-	2000	-	1995	2002	2001	-
Romania	1974	1974	1993	1991	1970*	1982	-	1990	-	1990	2001	2001	-
Russian Federation	1973	1973	1991	-	1969*	1981	-	1987*	-	1990			-
Rwanda	1975	1975	-	-	1975	1981	-	-	-	1991	2002	2002	-
Saint Kitts and Nevis	-	-	-	-	-	1985	-	-	-	1990			-
Saint Lucia	-	-	-	-	1990	1982	-	-	-	1993			-
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	1981	1981	1981	-	1981	1981	-	2001	-	1993			-
Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	1992	-	-	-	1994			-
San Marino	1985	1985	1985	-	2002	-	-	-	-	1991			-
Sao Tome and Principe	-	-	-	-	-	2003	-	-	-	1991			-
Saudi Arabia	-	-	-	-	1997	2000	-	1997	-	1996			-
Senegal	1978	1978	1978	-	1972*	1985	2000	1986*	-	1990		2003	1999
Serbia and Montenegro	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	1982	-	2001*	-	1991	2003	2002	-
Seychelles	1992	1992	1992	1994	1978	1992	-	1992*	-	1990			1994
Sierra Leone	1996	1996	1996	-	1967	1988	-	2001	-	1990	2002	2001	-
Singapore	-	-	-	-	-	1995	-	-	-	1995			-
Slovakia	1993	1993	1993	1999	1993*	1993	2000	1993*	-	1993			-
Slovenia	1992	1992	1993	1994	1992	1992	-	1993	-	1992			-
Solomon Islands	1982	-	-	-	1982	2002	2002	-	-	1995			-
Somalia	1990	1990	1990	-	1975	-	-	1990	-	-			-
South Africa	-	1998	2002	2002	1998*	1995	-	1998*	--	1995		2003	-
Spain	1977	1977	1985	1991	1968*	1984	2001	1987*	-	1990	2002	2001	-
Sri Lanka	1980	1980	1997	-	1982	1981	2002	1994	-	1991	2000		1996
Sudan	1986	1976	-	-	1977	-	-	-	-	1990			-
Suriname	1976	1976	1976	-	1984	1993	-	-	-	1993			-

STATE	ICESCR	ICCPR	OPT	OPT2	CERD	CEDAW	OPT	CAT	CAT-OP	CRC	OPT	OPT2	MWC
Swaziland	-	-	-	-	1969	-	-	-	-	1995			-
Sweden	1971	1971	1971	1990	1971*	1980	2003	1986*	-	1990	2003		-
Switzerland	1992	1992	-	1994*	1994	1997	-	1986*	-	1997	2002		-
Syria	1969	1969	-	-	1969	2003	-	-	-	1993	2003	2003	-
Tajikistan	1999	1999	1999	-	1995	1993	-	1995	-	1993	2002	2002	2002
Tanzania (United Republic of)	1976	1976	-	-	1972	1985	-	-	-	1991		2003	-
Thailand	1999	1996	-	-	2003	1985	2000	-	-	1992	-	-	-
Timor-Leste	2003	2003	2003		2003*	2003	2003	2003*		2003		2003	
Togo	1984	1984	1988	-	1972	1983	-	1987*	-	1990			-
Tonga	-	-	-	-	1972	-	-	-	-	1995			-
Trinidad and Tobago	1978	1978	-	-	1973	1990	-	-	-	1991			-
Tunisia	1969	1969	-	-	1967	1985	-	1988*	-	1992	2003	2002	-
Turkey	2003	2003	-	-	2002	1985	2002	1988*	-	1995		2002	-
Turkmenistan	1997	1997	1997	2000	1994	1997	-	1999	-	1993			-
Tuvalu	-	-	-	-	-	1999	-	-	-	1995			-
Uganda	1987	1995	1995	-	1980	1985	-	1986	-	1990	2002	2001	1995
Ukraine	1973	1973	1991	-	1969*	1981	-	1987	-	1991		2003	-
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	-	1974	-	-	-	-	1997			-
United Kingdom	1976	1976	-	1999	1969	1986	-	1988*	2003	1991	2003		-
United States of America	-	1992			1994	-	-	1994*	-	-	2002	2002	
Uruguay	1970	1970	1970	1993	1968*	1981	2001	1986*	-	1990	2003	2003	2001
Uzbekistan	1995	1995	1995	-	1995	1995	-	1995	-	1994			-
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	-	1995	-	-	-	1993			-
Venezuela	1978	1978	1978	1993	1967	1983	2002	1991*	-	1990	2003	2002	-
Viet Nam	1982	1982	-	-	1982	1982	-	-	-	1990	2001	2001	-
Yemen	1987	1987	-	-	1972	1984	-	1991	-	1991			-
Zambia	1984	1984	1984	-	1972	1985	-	1998	-	1991			-
Zimbabwe	1991	1991	-	-	1991	1991	-	-	-	1990			-
									-				
<b>Total number of States parties:</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>24</b>

## V. STATUS OF RATIFICATION OF SOME OTHER CONVENTIONS

The following list of States indicates when the State became a party to the following seven additional conventions relevant to human rights. The year refers to the year that the instrument of ratification was received by the appropriate legal custodians.

The conventions are:

- The **Convention relating to the Status of Refugees** (CSR 1951); (see the treaty database at the web site of the UN in New York: [www.un.org](http://www.un.org)); entry into force: 1954; ratification status as of February 2004;
- The **Optional Protocol, protecting non-European refugees** (CSR-OP 1967); (see the treaty database at the web site of the UN in New York: [www.un.org](http://www.un.org)); entry into force: 1967; ratification status as of February 2004;
- The **Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide** (CPPCG 1948); (see the treaty database at the web site of the UN in New York: [www.un.org](http://www.un.org)); entry into force: 1951; ratifications as of February 2004;
- The **Geneva Conventions** (GCs 1949); (see the treaty database at the web site of the ICRC: [www.icrc.org](http://www.icrc.org)); ratification status as of February 2004;
- The **Additional Protocol, on protection of victims of international armed conflicts** (AP I 1977); (see the treaty database at the web site of the ICRC: [www.icrc.org](http://www.icrc.org)); ratification status as of February 2004;
- The **Additional Protocol, on protection of victims of non-international armed conflicts** (AP II 1977); (see the treaty database at the web site of the ICRC: [www.icrc.org](http://www.icrc.org)); ratification status as of February 2004;
- The **Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court**, on international responsibility of individuals for a) genocide, b) crimes against humanity, c) war crimes and the "crime of aggression" (not defined yet); entry into force: 2002; ratification status as of February 2004; (see the treaty database at the web site of the UN in New York: [www.un.org](http://www.un.org)).

STATE	CSR 1951	CSR-OP 1967	CPPCG 1948	GCs 1949	AP I 1977	AP II 1977	ICC
Afghanistan	-	-	1956	1956	-	-	2003
Albania	1992	1992	1955	1957	1993	1993	2003
Algeria	1963	1967	1963	1960	1989	1989	-
Andorra	-	-	-	1993	-	-	2001
Angola	1981	1981	-	1984	1984	-	-
Antigua and Barbuda	1995	1995	1988	1986	1986	1986	2001
Argentina	1961	1967	1956	1956	1986	1986	2001
Armenia	1993	1993	1993	1993	1993	1993	-
Australia	1954	1973	1949	1958	1991	1991	2002
Austria	1954	1973	1958	1953	1982	1982	2000
Azerbaijan	1993	1993	1996	1993	-	-	-
Bahamas	1993	1993	1975	1975	1980	1980	-
Bahrain	-	-	1990	1971	1986	1986	-
Bangladesh	-	-	1998	1972	1980	1980	-



STATE	CSR 1951	CSR-OP 1967	CPPCG 1948	GCs 1949	AP I 1977	AP II 1977	ICC
Barbados	-	-	1980	1968	1990	1990	2002
Belarus	2001	2001	1954	1954	1989	1989	-
Belgium	1953	1969	1951	1952	1986	1986	2000
Belize	1990	1990	1998	1984	1984	1984	2000
Benin	1962	1970	-	1961	1986	1986	2002
Bhutan	-	-	-	1991	-	-	-
Bolivia	1982	1982	-	1976	1983	1983	2002
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1993	1993	1992	1992	1992	1992	2002
Botswana	1969	1969	-	1968	1979	1979	2000
Brazil	1960	1972	1952	1957	1992	1992	2002
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	1991	1991	1991	-
Bulgaria	1993	1993	1950	1954	1989	1989	2002
Burkina Faso	1980	1980	1965	1961	1987	1987	-
Burundi	1963	1971	1997	1971	1993	1993	-
Cambodia	1992	1992	1950	1958	1998	1998	2002
Cameroon	1961	1967	-	1963	1984	1984	-
Canada	1969	1969	1952	1965	1990	1990	2000
Cape Verde	-	1987	-	1984	1995	1995	-
Central African Republic	1962	1967	-	1966	1984	1984	2001
Chad	1981	1981	-	1970	1997	1997	-
Chile	1972	1972	1953	1950	1991	1991	-
China	1982	1982	1983	1956	1983	1983	-
Colombia	1961	1980	1959	1961	1993	1995	2002
Comoros	-	-	-	1985	1985	1985	-
Congo (Republic of the)	1962	1970	-	1967	1983	1983	-
Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	1965	1975	1962	1961	1982	2002	2002
Cook Islands	-	-	-	2001	2002	2002	-
Costa Rica	1978	1978	1950	1969	1983	1983	2001
Côte d'Ivoire	1961	1970	1995	1961	1989	1989	-
Croatia	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	2001
Cuba	-	-	1953	1954	1982	1999	-
Cyprus	1963	1968	1982	1962	1979	1996	2002
Czech Republic	1993	1993	1993	1993	1993	1993	-
Denmark	1952	1968	1951	1951	1982	1982	2001
Djibouti	1977	1977	-	1978	1991	1991	2002
Dominica	1994	1994	-	1981	1996	1996	2001
Dominican Republic	1978	1978	-	1958	1994	1994	-
Ecuador	1955	1969	1949	1954	1979	1979	2002
Egypt	1981	1981	1952	1952	1992	1992	-
El Salvador	1983	1983	1950	1953	1978	1978	-
Equatorial Guinea	1986	1986	-	1986	1986	1986	-
Eritrea	-	-	-	2000	-	-	-
Estonia	1997	1997	1991	1993	1993	1993	2002
Ethiopia	1969	1969	1949	1969	1994	1994	-
Fiji	1972	1972	1973	1971	-	-	1999
Finland	1968	1968	1959	1955	1980	1980	2000
France	1954	1971	1950	1951	2001	1984	2000
Gabon	1964	1973	1983	1965	1980	1980	2000
Gambia	1966	1967	1978	1966	1989	1989	2002
Georgia	1999	1999	1993	1993	1993	1993	2003
Germany	1953	1969	1954	1954	1991	1991	2000
Ghana	1963	1968	1958	1958	1978	1978	1999
Greece	1960	1968	1954	1956	1989	1993	2002

STATE	CSR 1951	CSR-OP 1967	CPPCG 1948	GCs 1949	AP I 1977	AP II 1977	ICC
Grenada	-	-	-	1981	1998	1998	-
Guatemala	1983	1983	1950	1952	1987	1987	-
Guinea	1965	1968	2000	1984	1984	1984	2003
Guinea-Bissau	1976	1976	-	1974	1986	1986	-
Guyana	-	-	-	1968	1988	1988	-
Haiti	1984	1984	1950	1957	-	-	-
Holy See	1956	1967	-	1951	1985	1985	-
Honduras	1992	1992	1952	1965	1995	1995	2002
Hungary	1989	1989	1952	1954	1989	1989	2001
Iceland	1955	1968	1949	1965	1987	1987	2000
India	-	-	1959	1950	-	-	-
Indonesia	-	-	-	1958	-	-	-
Iran	1976	1976	1956	1957	-	-	-
Iraq	-	-	1959	1956	-	-	-
Ireland	1956	1968	1976	1962	1999	1999	2002
Israel	1954	1968	1950	1951	-	-	-
Italy	1954	1972	1952	1951	1986	1986	1999
Jamaica	1964	1980	1968	1964	1986	1986	-
Japan	1981	1982	-	1953	-	-	-
Jordan	-	-	1950	1951	1979	1979	2002
Kazakhstan	1999	1999	1998	1992	1992	1992	-
Kenya	1966	1981	-	1966	1999	1999	-
Kiribati	-	-	-	1989	-	-	-
Korea (Democratic people's Republic of)	-	-	1989	1957	1988	-	-
Korea (Republic of)	1992	1992	1950	1966	1982	1982	2002
Kuwait	-	-	1995	1967	1985	1985	-
Kyrgyzstan	1996	1996	1997	1992	1992	1992	-
Laos	-	-	1950	1956	1980	1980	-
Latvia	1997	1997	1992	1991	1991	1991	2002
Lebanon	-	-	1953	1951	1997	1997	-
Lesotho	1981	1981	1974	1968	1994	1994	2000
Liberia	1964	1980	1950	1954	1988	1988	-
Libya	-	-	1989	1956	1978	1978	-
Liechtenstein	1957	1968	1994	1950	1989	1989	2001
Lithuania	1997	1997	1996	1996	2000	2000	2003
Luxembourg	1953	1971	1981	1953	1989	1989	2000
Macedonia (the former Yugoslav Republic of)	1994	1994	1994	1993	1993	1993	2002
Madagascar	1967	-	-	1963	1992	1992	-
Malawi	1987	1987	-	1968	1991	1991	2002
Malaysia	-	-	1994	1962	-	-	-
Maldives	-	-	1984	1991	1991	1991	-
Mali	1973	1973	1974	1965	1989	1989	2000
Malta	1971	1971	-	1968	1989	1989	2002
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	2000
Mauritania	1987	1987	-	1962	1980	1980	-
Mauritius	-	-	-	1970	1982	1982	2002
Mexico	2000	2000	1952	1952	1983	-	-
Micronesia	-	-	-	1995	1995	1995	-
Moldova	2002	2002	1993	1993	1993	1993	-
Monaco	1954	-	1950	1950	2000	2000	-
Mongolia	-	-	1967	1958	1995	1995	2002

STATE	CSR 1951	CSR-OP 1967	CPPCG 1948	GCs 1949	AP I 1977	AP II 1977	ICC
Morocco	1956	1971	1958	1956	-	-	-
Mozambique	1983	1989	1983	1983	1983	2002	-
Myanmar	-	-	1956	1992	-	-	-
Namibia	1995	-	1994	1991	1994	1994	2002
Nauru	-	-	-	-	-	-	2001
Nepal	-	-	1969	1964	-	-	-
Netherlands	1956	1968	1966	1954	1987	1987	2001
New Zealand	1960	1973	1978	1959	1988	1988	2000
Nicaragua	1980	1980	1952	1953	1999	1999	-
Niger	1961	1970	-	1964	1979	1979	2002
Nigeria	1967	1968	-	1961	1988	1988	2001
Niue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norway	1953	1967	1949	1951	1981	1981	2000
Oman	-	-	-	1974	1984	1984	-
Pakistan	-	-	1957	1951	-	-	-
Palau	-	-	-	1996	1996	1996	-
Panama	1978	1978	1950	1956	1995	1995	2002
Papua New Guinea	1986	1986	1982	1976	-	-	-
Paraguay	1970	1970	2001	1961	1990	1990	2001
Peru	1964	1983	1960	1956	1989	1989	2001
Philippines	1981	1981	1950	1952	-	1986	-
Poland	1991	1991	1950	1954	1991	1991	2001
Portugal	1960	1976	1999	1961	1992	1992	2002
Qatar	-	-	-	1975	1988	-	-
Romania	1991	1991	1950	1954	1990	1990	2002
Russian Federation	1993	1993	1954	1954	1989	1989	-
Rwanda	1980	1980	1975	1964	1984	1984	-
Saint Kitts and Nevis	2002	-	-	1986	1986	1986	-
Saint Lucia	-	-	-	1981	1982	1982	-
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	1993	-	1981	1981	1983	1983	2002
Samoa	1988	1994	-	1984	1984	1984	2002
San Marino	-	-	-	1953	1994	1994	1999
Sao Tome and Principe	1978	1978	-	1976	1996	1996	-
Saudi Arabia	-	-	1950	1963	1987	2001	-
Senegal	1963	1967	1983	1963	1985	1985	1999
Serbia and Montenegro	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001
Seychelles	1980	1980	1992	1984	1984	1984	-
Sierra Leone	1981	1981	-	1965	1986	1986	2000
Singapore	-	-	1995	1973	-	-	-
Slovakia	1993	1993	1993	1993	1993	1993	2002
Slovenia	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	2001
Solomon Islands	1995	1995	-	1981	1988	1988	-
Somalia	1978	1978	-	1962	-	-	-
South Africa	1996	1996	1998	1952	1995	1995	2000
Spain	1978	1978	1968	1952	1989	1989	2000
Sri Lanka	-	-	1950	1959	-	-	-
Sudan	1974	1974	-	1957	-	-	-
Suriname	1978	1978	-	1976	1985	1985	-
Swaziland	2000	1969	-	1973	1995	1995	-
Sweden	1954	1967	1952	1953	1979	1979	2001
Switzerland	1955	1968	2000	1950	1982	1982	2001
Syria	-	-	1955	1953	1983	-	-
Tajikistan	1993	1993	-	1993	1993	1993	2000

STATE	CSR 1951	CSR-OP 1967	CPPCG 1948	GCs 1949	AP I 1977	AP II 1977	ICC
Tanzania	1964	1968	1984	1962	1983	1983	2002
Thailand	-	-	-	1954	-	-	-
Timor-Leste	-	-	-	2003	-	-	2002
Togo	1962	1969	1984	1962	1984	1984	-
Tonga	-	-	1972	1978	2003	2003	-
Trinidad and Tobago	2000	2000	-	1963	2001	2001	1999
Tunisia	1957	1968	1956	1957	1979	1979	-
Turkey	1962	1968	1950	1954	-	-	-
Turkmenistan	1998	1998	-	1992	1992	1992	-
Tuvalu	1986	1986	-	1981	-	-	-
Uganda	1976	1976	1995	1964	1991	1991	2002
Ukraine	2002	-	1954	1954	1990	1990	-
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	1972	1983	1983	-
United Kingdom	1954	1968	1970	1957	1998	1998	2001
United States of America	-	1968	1988	1955	-	-	-
Uruguay	1970	1970	1967	1969	1985	1985	2002
Uzbekistan	-	-	1999	1993	1993	1993	-
Vanuatu	-	-	-	1982	1985	1985	-
Venezuela	-	1986	1960	1956	1998	1998	2000
Viet Nam	-	-	1981	1957	1981	-	-
Yemen	1980	1980	1987	1970	1990	1990	-
Zambia	1969	1969	-	1966	1995	1995	2002
Zimbabwe	1981	1981	1991	1983	1992	1992	-
<b>Total number of States parties:</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>93</b>

## VI. STATUS OF RATIFICATION OF SOME ILO CONVENTIONS

The following list of States indicates when the State became party to the below eight ILO conventions relevant to human rights. The year refers to the year the instrument of ratification was received by the custodian. All the ILO conventions are listed at the treaty database at the web site of the ILO: [www.ilo.org](http://www.ilo.org).

The ILO conventions listed here are:

- **Forced Labour Convention** (C29, 1930), entry into force: 1932;
- **Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise Convention** (C87, 1948), entry into force: 1950;
- **Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention** (C98, 1949), entry into force: 1951;
- **Equal Remuneration Convention** (C100, 1951), entry into force: 1953;
- **Abolition of Forced Labour Convention** (C105, 1957), entry into force: 1959;
- **Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention** (C111, 1958), entry into force: 1960;
- **Minimum Age Convention** (C138, 1973), entry into force: 1976.
- **Worst Forms of Child Labour convention** (C 182, 1999), entry into force: 2000
- **Indigenous and Tribal People Convention** (C 169, 1989), entry into force: 1991

### NOTE

The most relevant bodies of the ILO with regard to human rights are:

The **Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations**: On the basis of a resolution adopted by the 8<sup>th</sup> session of the International Labour Conference in 1926, this Committee was given responsibility for regular supervision of the observance by member States of their standards-related obligations.

The **Committee on Freedom of Association** (CFA): This Committee meets in private sitting at every Governing Body session and just before the Conference, and is responsible for complaints submitted to the Governing Body alleging violations of freedom of association and for representations that concern such issues.

STATE	C29	C87	C98	C100	C105	C111	C138	C169	C182
Afghanistan	-	-	-	1969	1963	1969	-		-
Albania	1957	1957	1957	1957	1997	1997	1998 <sup>3</sup>		2001
Algeria	1962	1962	1962	1962	1969	1969	1984 <sup>3</sup>		2001
Andorra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Angola	1976	2001	1976	1976	1976	1976	2001 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Antigua and Barbuda	1983	1983	1983	2003	1983	1983	1983 <sup>3</sup>		2002
Argentina	1950	1960	1956	1956	1960	1968	1996 <sup>1</sup>	2000	2001
Armenia	-	-	2003	1994	-	1994	-		-
Australia	1932	1973	1973	1974	1960	1973	-		-
Austria	1960	1950	1951	1953	1958	1973	2000 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Azerbaijan	1992	1992	1992	1992	2000	1992	1992 <sup>3</sup>		-
Bahamas	1976	2001	1976	2001	1976	2001	2001 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Bahrain	1981	-	-	-	1998	2000	-		2001
Bangladesh	1972	1972	1972	1998	1972	1972	-		2001
Barbados	1967	1967	1967	1974	1967	1974	2000 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Belarus	1956	1956	1956	1956	1995	1961	1979 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Belgium	1944	1951	1953	1952	1961	1977	1988 <sup>2</sup>		2002
Belize	1983	1983	1983	1999	1983	1999	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Benin	1960	1960	1968	1968	1961	1961	2001 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Bolivia	-	1965	1973	1973	1990	1977	1997 <sup>1</sup>	1991	2003
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1993	1993	1993	1993	2000	1993	1993 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Botswana	1997	1997	1997	1997	1997	1997	1997 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Brazil	1957	-	1952	1957	1965	1965	2001 <sup>3</sup>	2002	2000
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Bulgaria	1932	1959	1959	1955	1999	1960	1980 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Burkina Faso	1960	1960	1962	1969	1997	1962	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Burundi	1963	1993	1997	1993	1963	1993	2000 <sup>3</sup>		2002
Cambodia	1969	1999	1999	1999	1999	1999	1999 <sup>1</sup>		-
Cameroon	1960	1960	1962	1970	1962	1988	2001 <sup>1</sup>		2002
Canada	-	1972	-	1972	1959	1964	-		2000
Cape Verde	1979	1999	1979	1979	1979	1979	-		2001
Central African Republic	1960	1960	1964	1964	1964	1964	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Chad	1960	1960	1961	1966	1961	1966	-		2000
Chile	1933	1999	1999	1971	1999	1971	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2000
China	-	-	-	1990	-	-	1999 <sup>3</sup>		2002
Colombia	1969	1976	1976	1963	1963	1969	2001 <sup>1</sup>	1991	-
Comoros	1978	1978	1978	1978	1978	-	-		-
Congo (Republic of the)	1960	1960	1999	1999	1999	1999	1999 <sup>1</sup>		2002
Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	1960	2001	1969	1969	2001	2001	2001 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Costa Rica	1960	1960	1960	1960	1959	1962	1976 <sup>2</sup>	1993	2001
Côte d'Ivoire	1960	1960	1961	1961	1961	1961	2003 <sup>1</sup>		2003
Croatia	1991	1991	1991	1991	1997	1991	1991 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Cuba	1953	1952	1952	1954	1958	1965	1975 <sup>2</sup>		-
Cyprus	1960	1966	1966	1987	1960	1968	1997 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Czech Republic	1993	1993	1993	1993	1996	1993	-		2001
Denmark	1932	1951	1955	1960	1958	1960	1997 <sup>2</sup>	1996	2000
Djibouti	1978	1978	1978	1978	1978	-	-		-
Dominica	1983	1983	1983	1983	1983	1983	1983 <sup>2</sup>	2002	2001
Dominican Republic	1956	1956	1953	1953	1958	1964	1999 <sup>1</sup>		2000
East Timor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Ecuador	1954	1967	1959	1957	1962	1962	2000 <sup>1</sup>	1998	2000

STATE	C29	C87	C98	C100	C105	C111	C138	C169	C182
Egypt	1955	1957	1954	1960	1958	1960	1999 <sup>1</sup>		2002
El Salvador	1995	-	-	2000	1958	1995	1996 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Equatorial Guinea	2001	2001	2001	1985	2001	2001	1985 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Eritrea	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000 <sup>1</sup>		-
Estonia	1996	1994	1994	1996	1996	-	-		2001
Ethiopia	2003	1963	1963	1999	1999	1966	1999 <sup>1</sup>		2003
Fiji	1974	2002	1974	2002	1974	2002	2003 <sup>2</sup>	1998	2002
Finland	1936	1950	1951	1963	1960	1970	1976 <sup>2</sup>		2000
France	1937	1951	1951	1953	1969	1981	1990 <sup>3</sup>		2001
Gabon	1960	1960	1961	1961	1961	1961	-		2001
Gambia	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Georgia	1993	1999	1993	1993	1996	1993	1996 <sup>2</sup>		2002
Germany	1956	1957	1956	1956	1959	1961	1976 <sup>2</sup>		2002
Ghana	1957	1965	1959	1968	1958	1961	-		2000
Greece	1952	1962	1962	1975	1962	1984	1986 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Grenada	1979	1994	1979	1994	1979	2003	2003 <sup>3</sup>		2003
Guatemala	1989	1952	1952	1961	1959	1960	1990 <sup>1</sup>	1996	2001
Guinea	1959	1959	1959	1967	1961	1960	2003 <sup>3</sup>		2003
Guinea-Bissau	1977	-	1977	1977	1977	1977	-		-
Guyana	1966	1967	1966	1975	1966	1975	1998 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Haiti	1958	1979	1957	1958	1958	1976	-		-
Holy See	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Honduras	1957	1956	1956	1956	1958	1960	1980 <sup>1</sup>	1995	2001
Hungary	1956	1957	1957	1956	1994	1961	1998 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Iceland	1958	1950	1952	1958	1960	1963	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2000
India	1954	-	-	1958	2000	1960	-		-
Indonesia	1950	1998	1957	1958	1999	1999	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Iran	1957	-	-	1972	1959	1964	-		2002
Iraq	1962	-	1962	1963	1959	1959	1985 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Ireland	1931	1955	1955	1974	1958	1999	1978 <sup>2</sup>		1999
Israel	1955	1957	1957	1965	1958	1959	1979 <sup>2</sup>		-
Italy	1934	1958	1958	1956	1968	1963	1981 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Jamaica	1962	1962	1962	1975	1962	1975	2003 <sup>3</sup>		2003
Japan	1932	1965	1953	1967	-	-	2000 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Jordan	1966	-	1968	1966	1958	1963	1998 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Kazakhstan	2001	2000	2001	2001	2001	1999	2001 <sup>3</sup>		2003
Kenya	1964	-	1964	2001	1964	2001	1979 <sup>3</sup>		2001
Kiribati	2000	2000	2000	-	2000	-	-		-
Korea (Democratic people's Republic of)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Korea (Republic of)	-	-	-	1997	-	1998	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Kuwait	1968	1961	-	-	1961	1966	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Kyrgyzstan	1992	1992	1992	1992	1999	1992	1992 <sup>3</sup>		-
Laos	1964	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Latvia	-	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	-		-
Lebanon	1977	-	1977	1977	1977	1977	2003 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Lesotho	1966	1966	1966	1998	2001	1998	2001 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Liberia	1931	1962	1962	-	1962	1959	-		2003
Libya	1961	2000	1962	1962	1961	1961	1975 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Lithuania	1994	1994	1994	1994	1994	1994	1998 <sup>3</sup>		2003
Luxembourg	1964	1958	1958	1967	1964	2001	1977 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Macedonia (the former Yugoslav Republic of)	1991	1991	1991	1991	2003	1991	1991 <sup>2</sup>		2002
Madagascar	1960	1960	1998	1962	-	1961	2000 <sup>2</sup>		2001

STATE	C29	C87	C98	C100	C105	C111	C138	C169	C182
Malawi	1999	1999	1965	1965	1999	1965	1999 <sup>1</sup>		1999
Malaysia	1957	-	1961	1997	1958*	-	1997 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Mali	1960	1960	1964	1968	1962	1964	2002 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Malta	1965	1965	1965	1988	1965	1968	1988 <sup>3</sup>		2001
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Mauritania	1961	1961	2001	2001	1997	1963	2001 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Mauritius	1969	-	1969	2002	1969	2002	1990 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Mexico	1934	1950	-	1952	1959	1961	-	1990	2000
Micronesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Moldova	2000	1996	1996	2000	1993	1996	1999 <sup>3</sup>		2002
Monaco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Mongolia	-	1969	1969	1969	-	1969	2002 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Morocco	1957	-	1957	1979	1966	1963	2000 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Mozambique	2003	1996	1996	1977	1977	1977	2003 <sup>2</sup>		2003
Myanmar	1955	1955	-	-	-	-	-		-
Namibia	2000	1995	1995	-	2000	2001	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Nauru	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Nepal	2002	-	1996	1976	-	1974	1997 <sup>1</sup>		2002
Netherlands	1933	1950	1993	1971	1959	1973	1976 <sup>2</sup>	1998	2002
New Zealand	1938	-	2003	1983	1968	1983	-		2001
Nicaragua	1934	1967	1967	1967	1967	1967	1981 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Niger	1961	1961	1962	1966	1962	1962	1978 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Nigeria	1960	1960	1960	1974	1960	2002	2002 <sup>2</sup>		2002
Niue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Norway	1932	1949	1955	1959	1958	1959	1980 <sup>2</sup>	1990	2000
Oman	1998	-	-	-	-	-	-		2001
Pakistan	1957	1951	1952	2001	1960	1961	-		2001
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Panama	1966	1958	1966	1958	1966	1966	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Papua New Guinea	1976	2000	1976	2000	1976	2000	2000 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Paraguay	1967	1962	1966	1964	1968	1967	-	1993	2001
Peru	1960	1960	1964	1960	1960	1970	2002 <sup>1</sup>	1994	2002
Philippines	-	1953	1953	1953	1960	1960	1998 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Poland	1958	1957	1957	1954	1958	1961	1978 <sup>2</sup>		2002
Portugal	1956	1977	1964	1967	1959	1959	1998 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Qatar	1998	-	-	-	-	1976	-		2000
Romania	1957	1957	1958	1957	1998	1973	1975 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Russian Federation	1956	1956	1956	1956	1998	1961	1979 <sup>3</sup>		2003
Rwanda	2001	1988	1988	1980	1962	1981	1981 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Saint Kitts and Nevis	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	-		2000
Saint Lucia	1980	1980	1980	1983	1980	1983	-		2000
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	1998	2001	1998	2001	1998	2001	-		2001
Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
San Marino	1995	1986	1986	1985	1995	1986	1995 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Sao Tome and Principe	-	1992	1992	1982	-	1982	-		-
Saudi Arabia	1978	-	-	1978	1978	1978	-		2001
Senegal	1960	1960	1961	1962	1961	1967	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Serbia and Montenegro	2000	2000	2000	2000	2003	2000	2000 <sup>2</sup>		2003
Seychelles	1978	1978	1999	1999	1978	1999	2000 <sup>2</sup>		1999
Sierra Leone	1961	1961	1961	1968	1961	1966	-		-



STATE	C29	C87	C98	C100	C105	C111	C138	C169	C182
Singapore	1965	-	1965	2002	1965*	-	-		2001
Slovakia	1993	1993	1993	1993	1997	1993	1997 <sup>2</sup>		1999
Slovenia	1992	1992	1992	1992	1997	1992	1992 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Solomon Islands	1985	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Somalia	1960	-	-	-	1961	1961	-		-
South Africa	1997	1996	1996	2000	1997	1997	2000 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Spain	1932	1977	1977	1967	1967	1967	1977 <sup>3</sup>		2001
Sri Lanka	1950	1995	1972	1993	2003	1998	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Sudan	1957	-	1957	1970	1970	1970	2003 <sup>1</sup>		2003
Suriname	1976	1976	1996	-	1976	-	-		-
Swaziland	1978	1978	1978	1981	1979	1981	2002 <sup>2</sup>		2002
Sweden	1931	1949	1950	1962	1958	1962	1990 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Switzerland	1940	1975	1999	1972	1958	1961	1999 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Syria	1960	1960	1957	1957	1958	1960	2001 <sup>2</sup>		2003
Tajikistan	1993	1993	1993	1993	1999	1993	1993 <sup>3</sup>		-
Tanzania	1962	2000	1962	2002	1962	2002	1998 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Thailand	1969	-	-	1999	1969	-	-		2001
Togo	1960	1960	1983	1983	1999	1983	1984 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Tonga	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Trinidad and Tobago	1963	1963	1963	1997	1963	1970	-		2003
Tunisia	1962	1957	1957	1968	1959	1959	1995 <sup>3</sup>		2000
Turkey	1998	1993	1952	1967	1961	1967	1998 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Turkmenistan	1997	1997	1997	1997	1997	1997	-		-
Tuvalu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Uganda	1963	-	1963	-	1963	-	2003 <sup>1</sup>		2001
Ukraine	1956	1956	1956	1956	2000	1961	1979 <sup>3</sup>		2000
United Arab Emirates	1982	-	-	1997	1997	2001	1998 <sup>2</sup>		2001
United Kingdom	1931	1949	1950	1971	1957	1999	2000 <sup>3</sup>		2000
United States of America	-	-	-	-	1991	-	-		1999
Uruguay	1995	1954	1954	1989	1968	1989	1977 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Uzbekistan	1992	-	1992	1992	1997	1992	-		-
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Venezuela	1944	1982	1968	1982	1964	1971	1987 <sup>1</sup>		-
Viet Nam	-	-	-	1997	-	1997	2003 <sup>2</sup>		2000
Yemen	1969	1976	1969	1976	1969	1969	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2000
Zambia	1964	1996	1996	1972	1965	1979	1976 <sup>2</sup>		2001
Zimbabwe	1998	2003	1998	1989	1998	1999	2000 <sup>1</sup>		2000
<b>Total number of States parties:</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>147</b>

<sup>1</sup> Minimum age specified at 14 years.

<sup>2</sup> Minimum age specified at 15 years.

<sup>3</sup> Minimum age specified at 16 years.

\* Has denounced this Convention.