

APPENDIX I: STUDYING INTERNATIONAL LAW OF HUMAN RIGHTS

SOURCES AND FURTHER RESEARCH IN HUMAN RIGHTS

Human Rights is an exciting and an extremely rapidly developing area of international law. To keep abreast with the latest developments students can consult:

Documents in print

- a) International Human Rights Reports
- b) International Legal Materials
- c) United Nations Yearbook on Human Rights
- d) United Nations Chronicle
- e) Keesings Contemporary Archives

Significant journals

- a) *European Human Rights Law Review* (EHRLR)
- b) *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* (ICLQ)
- c) *Human Rights Quarterly* (HRQ)
- d) *American Journal of International Law* (AJIL)
- e) *Netherlands Quarterly of Human Rights* (NQHR)

Internet sources (as at 5 April 2002)

- a) United Nations system and related websites
International Court of Justice, the Hague,
the Netherlands <http://www.icj-cij.org/>
International Labour Organisation (ILO),
Geneva, Switzerland www.ilo.org
UN Children's fund, New York, USA (UNICEF) www.unicef.org/
UN Environment Programme, Nairobi,
Kenya (UNEP) www.unep.org/
UN Headquarters, New York, USA (UN) www.un.org/
UN High Commissioner on Human Rights,
Geneva, Switzerland www.unhchr.ch/

- UN High Commissioner for Refugees,
Geneva, Switzerland www.unhcr.ch/
- UN University, Tokyo, Japan (UNU) www.unu.edu/
- UN Development Programme <http://www.undp.org/>
- UN Division for the Advancement
for Women [http://www.un.org/womenwatch/
daw/](http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/)
- b) Other sources
- Council of Europe <http://www.coe.int/>
- Organization of American States <http://www.oas.org/>
- Organisation of African Unity <http://www.oau-oua.org/>
- International Criminal Tribunal for the
former Yugoslavia <http://www.un.org/icty/>
- International Tribunal for Rwanda <http://www.ictt.org/>
- University of Minnesota, Human
Rights Library <http://www1.umn.edu/humanrts/>
- York University Libraries Law School [http://www.info.library.yorku.ca/
depts/law/ljnkshr.htm](http://www.info.library.yorku.ca/depts/law/ljnkshr.htm)
- University of Essex, Library [http://libwww.essex.ac.uk/
Human_Rights/treaties.htm](http://libwww.essex.ac.uk/Human_Rights/treaties.htm)
- US Department of State <http://www.state.gov/>
- c) Non-governmental sources
- Save the Children <http://www.savethechildren.org/>
- Amnesty International <http://www.amnesty.org/>
- Human Rights Watch <http://www.hrw.org/>
- Human and Constitutional Rights <http://www.hrcr.org/>
- The International Committee of the
Red Cross <http://www.icrc.org/>
- Index on Censorship <http://www.indexonline.org/>
- Human Rights Internet <http://www.hri.ca/welcome.cfm>
- Minority Rights Group, International <http://www.minorityrights.org/>

APPENDIX II: STATUS OF THE RATIFICATION OF THE PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

Table of Ratifications (as at 1 March 2002)

State	ICCPR	ICESCR	OP 1	OP 2	Race C	Women C	Women-OP	CRC	OP-AC	OP-SC	Torture C
Afghanistan	24/01/83 a	24/01/83 a			06/07/83 a	14/08/80 s		28/03/94			01/04/87
Albania	04/10/91 a	04/10/91 a			11/05/94 a	11/05/94		27/02/92			11/05/94 a
Algeria	12/09/89	12/09/89	12/09/89 a		14/02/72*	22/05/96 a		16/04/93			12/09/89*
Andorra						15/01/97a	09/07/01 s	02/01/96	30/04/01	30/04/01	
Angola	10/01/92 a	10/01/92 a	10/01/92 a			17/09/86 a		06/12/90			
Antigua and Barbuda					25/10/88 d	01/08/89 a		06/10/93		18/12/01 s	19/07/93 a
Argentina	08/08/86	08/08/86	08/08/86 a		02/10/68	15/07/85	28/02/00 s	05/12/90	15/06/00 s		24/09/86*
Armenia	23/06/93 a	13/09/93 a	23/06/93		23/06/93 a	13/09/93 a		23/06/93 a			13/09/93
Australia	13/08/80	10/12/75	25/09/91 a	02/10/90 a	30/09/75*	28/07/83		17/12/90		18/12/01 s	08/08/89*
Austria	10/09/78	10/09/78	10/12/87	02/03/93	09/05/72	31/03/82	07/09/00	06/08/92	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	29/07/87*
Azerbaijan	13/08/92 a	13/08/92 a	27/11/01 a	22/01/99 a	16/08/96 a*	10/07/95 a	01/06/01	13/08/92 a	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	16/08/96 a
Bahamas					05/08/75 d	06/10/93 a		20/02/91			
Bahrain					27/01/90 a			13/02/92 a			06/01/98 a

State	ICCPR	ICESCR	OP 1	OP 2	Race C	Women C	Women-OP	CRC	OP-AC	OP-SC	Torture C
Bangladesh	07/09/00 a	05/10/98 a			11/06/79 a	06/11/84 a	07/09/00	03/08/90	07/09/00	07/09/00	05/10/98 a
Barbados	05/01/73 a	05/01/73 a	05/01/73 a		08/11/72 a	16/10/80		09/10/90			
Belarus	12/11/73	12/11/73	30/09/92 a		08/04/69	04/02/81		02/10/90			
Belgium	21/04/83	21/04/83	17/05/94 a	08/12/98	07/08/75*	10/07/85	10/12/99 s	16/12/91	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	24/01/02 a
Belize	10/06/96 a	06/09/00 s			14/11/01	16/05/90		02/05/90	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	13/03/87
Benin	12/03/92 a	12/03/92 a	12/03/92 a		30/11/01	12/03/92	25/05/00 s	03/08/90	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	17/03/86 a
Bhutan					26/03/73 s	31/08/81		01/08/90	22/02/01 s	22/02/01 s	12/03/92 a
Bolivia	12/08/82 a	12/08/82 a	12/08/82 a		22/09/70	08/06/90	27/09/00	26/06/90		10/11/01 s	12/04/99
Bosnia and Herzegovina	01/09/93 d	03/03/92 d	01/03/95	16/03/01	16/07/93 d	01/09/93 d	07/09/00 s	01/09/93 d	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	01/09/93 a
Botswana	08/09/00				20/02/74 a	13/08/96 a		14/03/95 a			08/09/00
Brazil	24/01/92 a	24/01/92 a			27/03/68	01/02/84	13/03/01 s	25/09/90	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	28/09/89
Brunei Darussalam											
Bulgaria	21/09/70	21/09/70	26/03/92 a	10/08/99	08/08/66*	08/02/82	06/06/00 s	03/06/91	08/06/01 s	08/06/01 s	16/12/86*
Burkina Faso	04/01/99 a	04/01/99 a	04/01/99 a		18/07/74 a	14/10/87 a	16/11/01 s	31/08/90	16/11/01 s	16/11/01 s	04/01/99 a
Burundi	09/05/90 a	09/05/90 a			27/10/77	08/01/92	13/11/01 s	19/10/90	13/11/01 s		18/02/93 a
Cambodia	26/05/92 a	26/05/92 a			28/11/83	15/10/92 a	11/11/01 s	15/10/92 a	27/06/00 s	27/06/00 s	15/10/92 a
Cameroon	27/06/84 a	27/06/84 a	27/06/84 a		24/06/71	23/08/94		11/01/93	05/10/01 s	05/10/01 s	19/12/86 a*
Canada	19/05/76 a	19/05/76 a	19/05/76 a		14/10/70	10/12/81		13/12/91	07/07/00	10/11/01 s	24/06/87*
Cape Verde	06/08/93 a	06/08/93 a	19/05/00 a	19/05/00 a	03/10/79 a	05/12/80 a		04/06/92 a			04/06/92 a
Central African Republic	08/05/81 a	08/05/81 a	08/05/81 a		16/03/71	21/06/91 a		23/04/92			
Chad	09/06/95 a	09/06/95 a	09/06/95 a		17/08/77 a	09/06/95 a		02/10/90			09/06/95 a
Chile	10/02/72	10/02/72	28/05/92 a	15/11/01 s	20/10/71*	08/12/89	10/12/99 s	13/08/90	15/11/01 s	28/06/00 s	30/09/88
China	05/10/98 s	27/03/01			29/12/81 a	04/11/80		03/03/92	15/03/01 s	06/09/00 s	04/10/88
Colombia	29/10/69	29/10/69	29/10/69	05/08/97 a	02/09/81	19/01/82	10/12/99 s	28/01/91	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	08/12/87
Comoros					22/09/00 s	31/10/94 a		23/06/93			22/09/00 s
Congo	05/10/83 a	05/10/83 a	05/10/83 a		11/07/88 a	26/07/82		14/10/93 a			
Cook Islands								06/06/97 a			
Costa Rica	29/11/68	29/11/68	29/11/68	05/06/98	16/01/67*	04/04/86	20/09/01	21/08/90	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	11/11/93
Croatia	12/10/92 d	08/10/91 d	12/10/95 a	12/10/95 a	12/10/92 d	09/09/92 d	07/03/01	12/10/92 d			12/10/92 d*
Cuba					15/02/72	17/07/80	17/03/00 s	21/08/91	13/11/00 s	25/09/01	17/05/95
Cyprus	02/04/69	02/04/69	15/04/92	10/09/99 a	21/04/67*	23/07/85 a	08/02/01 s	07/02/91		08/02/01 s	18/07/91*

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Czech Republic	22/02/93 d	01/01/93 d	22/02/93 d		22/02/93 d*	22/02/93 d	27/02/01	22/02/93 d	30/11/01		01/01/93 d*
Côte d'Ivoire	26/03/92 a	26/03/92 a	05/03/97 a		04/01/73 a	18/12/95		04/02/91			18/12/95 a
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	14/09/81 a	14/09/81 a				27/02/01 a		21/09/90			
Democratic Republic of Congo	01/11/76 a	01/11/76 a	01/11/76 a		21/04/76 a	17/10/86		28/09/90	12/11/01	12/11/01 a	18/03/96
Denmark	06/01/72	06/01/72	06/01/72	24/02/94	09/12/71*	21/04/83	31/05/00	19/07/91	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	27/05/87*
Djibouti						02/12/98 a		06/12/90			
Dominica	17/06/93 a	17/06/93 a				15/09/80		13/03/91			
Dominican Republic	04/01/78 a	04/01/78 a	04/01/78 a		25/05/83 a	02/09/82	10/08/01	11/06/91			04/02/85 s
Ecuador	06/03/69	06/03/69	06/03/69	23/02/93 a	22/09/66 a*	09/11/81	10/12/99 s	23/03/90	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	30/03/88*
Egypt	14/01/82	14/01/82			01/05/67	18/09/81		06/07/90			25/06/86 a
El Salvador	30/11/79	30/11/79	06/06/95		30/11/79 a	19/08/81	04/04/01 s	10/07/90	18/09/00 s		17/06/96 a
Equatorial Guinea	25/09/87 a	25/09/87 a	25/09/87 a			23/10/84 a		15/06/92 a			
Eritrea	22/01/02 a	17/04/01 a			01/08/01 a	05/09/95 a		03/08/94			
Estonia	21/10/91 a	21/10/91 a	21/10/91 a		21/10/91 a	21/10/91 n		21/10/91 a			21/10/91 a
Ethiopia	11/06/93 a	11/06/93 a			23/06/76 a	10/09/81		14/05/91 a			13/03/94 a
Fiji					11/01/73 d	28/08/95		13/08/93			
Finland	19/08/75	19/08/75	19/08/75	04/04/91	14/07/70*	04/09/86	29/12/00	21/06/91	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	30/08/89*
France	04/11/80 a	04/11/80 a	17/02/84 a		28/07/71 a*	14/12/83	09/06/00	08/08/90	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	18/02/86*
Gabon	21/01/83 a	21/01/83 a			29/02/80	21/01/83		09/02/94	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	08/09/00
Gambia	22/03/79 a	29/12/78 a	09/06/88 a		29/12/78 a	16/04/93		08/08/90	21/12/00 s	21/12/00 s	23/10/85 s
Georgia	03/05/94 a	03/05/94 a	03/05/94 a	22/03/99 a	02/06/99 a	26/10/94 a		02/06/94 a			26/10/94 a
Germany	17/12/73	17/12/73	25/08/93 a	18/08/92	16/05/69*	10/07/85	15/01/02	06/03/92	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	01/10/90*
Ghana	08/09/00	08/09/00	08/09/00		08/09/66	02/01/86	24/02/00 s	05/02/90			08/09/00
Greece	05/05/97 a	16/05/85 a	05/05/97 a	05/05/97 a	18/06/70	07/06/83	24/01/02	11/05/93	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	06/10/88*

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Grenada	06/09/91 a	06/09/91 a			17/12/81 s	31/08/90		05/11/90			
Guatemala	06/05/92 a	19/05/88 a	28/11/00 a		18/01/83	12/08/82	07/09/00 s	06/06/90	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	05/01/90 a
Ghana	24/01/78	24/01/78	17/06/93		14/03/77	09/08/82		13/07/90 a			10/10/89
Ghana-Bissau	12/09/00 s	02/07/92 a	12/09/00 s	12/09/00 s	12/09/00 s	23/08/85	12/09/00 s	21/08/90	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	12/09/00 s
Guyana	15/02/77	15/02/77	10/05/93 a		15/02/77	17/07/80		14/01/91			19/05/88
Haiti	06/02/91 a				19/12/72	20/07/81		09/06/95			
Holy see					01/05/69			20/04/90	24/10/01	24/10/01	
Honduras	25/08/97	17/02/81	19/12/66 s	10/05/90 s		03/03/83		10/08/90			05/12/96 a
Hungary	17/01/74	17/01/74	07/09/88 a	24/02/94 a	01/05/67*	22/12/80	22/12/00 a	08/10/91			15/04/87*
Iceland	22/08/79	22/11/79	22/08/79 a	02/04/91 a	13/03/67*	18/06/85	07/03/01	28/10/92	02/10/01	09/07/01	23/10/96*
India	10/04/79 a	10/04/79 a			03/12/68	09/07/93		11/12/92 a			14/10/97 s
Indonesia					25/06/99 a	13/09/84	28/02/00 s	05/09/90	24/09/01 s	24/09/01 s	28/10/98
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	24/06/75	24/06/75			29/08/68			13/07/94			
Iraq	25/01/71	25/01/71			14/01/70	13/08/86 a		15/06/94 a			
Ireland	08/12/89	08/12/89	08/12/89	18/06/93 a	29/12/00*	23/12/85 a	08/09/00	28/09/92	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	28/09/92 s
Israel	03/10/91	03/10/91			03/01/79	03/10/91		03/10/91			03/10/91
Italy	15/09/78	15/09/78	15/09/78	14/02/95	05/01/76*	10/06/85	22/09/00	05/09/91	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	12/01/89*
Jamaica	03/10/75	03/10/75			04/06/71	19/10/84		14/05/91	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	
Japan	21/06/79	21/06/79			15/12/95 a	25/06/85		22/04/94			29/06/99 a*
Jordan	28/05/75	28/05/75			30/05/74 a	01/07/92		24/05/91	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	13/11/91
Kazakhstan					26/08/98 a	26/08/98 a	24/08/01	12/08/94	06/09/00 s	24/08/01	26/08/98 a
Kenya					13/09/01 a	09/03/84 a		31/07/90	28/01/02	08/09/00 s	21/02/97 a
Kiribati								11/12/95 a			
Kuwait	21/05/96 a	21/05/96 a			15/10/68 a	02/09/94 a		21/10/91			08/03/96 a
Kyrgyzstan	07/10/94 a	07/10/94 a	07/10/95 a		05/09/97 a	10/02/97 a		07/10/94 a			05/09/97 a
Lao People's Democratic Republic	07/12/00 s	07/12/00 s			22/02/74 a	14/08/81		08/05/91 a			
Latvia	14/04/92 a	14/04/92 a	22/06/94 a		14/04/92 a	15/04/92 a		15/04/92 a			14/01/92 a

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Lebanon	03/11/72 a	03/11/72 a			12/11/71 a	21/04/97 a		14/05/91			
Lesotho	09/09/92 a	09/09/92 a	07/09/00 a		04/11/71 a	22/08/95 a	06/09/00 s	10/03/92	06/09/00 s	10/11/01 s	05/10/00 a
Liberia	18/04/67 s	18/04/67 s			05/11/76 a	17/07/84		04/06/93		06/09/00 s	13/11/01 a
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	15/05/70 a	15/05/70 a	16/05/89 a		03/07/68 a	16/05/89 a		16/04/93 a			
Liechtenstein	10/12/98 a	10/12/98 a	10/12/98 a	10/12/98 a	01/03/00 a	22/12/95 a	24/10/01	22/12/95	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	16/05/89 a
Lithuania	20/11/91 a	20/11/91 a	20/11/91 a	08/09/00 s	10/12/98	18/01/94 a	08/09/00 s	31/01/92 a	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	02/11/90*
Luxembourg	18/08/83	18/08/83	18/08/83 a	12/02/92	01/05/78*	02/02/89	10/12/99 s	07/03/94	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	01/02/96
Madagascar	21/06/71	22/09/71	21/06/71		07/02/69	17/03/89	07/09/00 s	19/03/91	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	29/09/87*
Malawi	22/12/93 a	22/12/93 a	11/06/96		11/06/96 a	12/03/87 a	07/09/00 s	03/01/91 a	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	01/10/01 s
Malaysia						05/07/95		17/02/95 a			11/06/96 a
Maldives						24/04/84 a		01/07/93 a			
Mali	16/07/74 a	16/07/74 a	24/10/01 a		16/07/74 a	10/09/85	05/12/00 a	11/02/91	08/09/00 s		26/02/99 a
Malta	13/09/90 a	13/09/90	13/09/90 a	29/12/94 a	27/05/71*	08/03/91 a		01/10/90	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	13/09/90 a*
Marshall Islands								05/10/93			
Mauritania					13/12/88	10/05/01 a		16/05/91			
Mauritius	12/12/73 a	12/12/73 a	12/12/73 a		30/05/72 a	09/07/84 a	11/11/01 s	26/07/90 a	11/11/01 s	11/11/01 s	09/12/92 a
Mexico	23/03/81 a	23/03/81 a			20/02/75	23/03/81	10/12/99 s	21/09/90	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	23/01/86
Micronesia (Federated States of)								05/05/93 a			
Monaco	28/08/97	28/08/97		28/03/00 a	27/09/95 a*			21/06/93 a	14/11/01	26/06/00 s	06/12/91 a
Mongolia	18/11/74	18/11/74	16/04/91 a		06/08/69	20/07/81	07/09/00 s	06/07/90	12/11/01 s	12/11/01 s	24/01/02 a
Morocco	03/05/79	03/05/79			18/12/70	21/06/93 a		22/06/93	08/09/00 s	02/10/01	21/06/93
Mozambique	21/07/93 a			21/07/93 a	18/04/83 a	16/04/97 a		26/04/94			14/09/99 a
Myanmar						22/07/97 a		15/07/91 a			
Namibia	28/11/94 a	28/11/94 a	28/11/94 a	28/11/94 a	11/11/82 a	23/11/92 a	26/05/00	30/09/90	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	28/11/94 a
Nauru	12/11/01 s		12/11/01 s		12/11/01 s			27/07/94 a	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	12/11/01 s
Nepal	14/05/91 a	14/05/91 a		04/03/98 a	30/01/71 a	22/04/91	18/12/01 s	14/09/90	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	14/05/91 a
Netherlands	11/12/78	11/12/78	11/12/78	26/03/91	10/12/71*	23/07/91	10/12/99 s	06/02/95	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	21/12/88*
New Zealand	28/12/78	28/12/78	26/05/89 a	22/02/90	22/11/72	10/01/85	08/09/00	06/04/93	12/11/01	07/09/00 s	10/12/89*
Nicaragua	12/03/80 a	12/03/80 a	12/03/80 a	21/02/90 s	15/02/78 a	27/10/81		05/10/90			15/04/85 s

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Niger	07/03/86 a	07/03/86 a	07/03/86 a		27/04/67	08/10/99 a		30/09/90			05/10/98 a
Nigeria	29/07/93 a	29/07/93 a			16/10/67 a	13/06/85	08/09/00 s	19/04/91	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	28/06/01
Niue								20/12/95 a			
Norway	13/09/72	13/09/72	13/09/72	05/09/91	06/08/70*	21/05/81	10/09/00 s	08/01/91	13/06/00 s	02/10/01	09/07/86*
Oman								09/12/96 a			
Pakistan					21/09/66	12/03/96 a		12/11/90	26/09/01 s	26/09/01 s	
Palau								04/08/95 a			
Panama	08/03/77	08/03/77 a	08/03/77	21/01/93 a	16/08/67	29/10/81	10/05/01	12/12/90	08/08/01	09/02/01	24/08/87
Papua New Guinea					27/01/82 a	12/01/95 a		02/03/93			
Paraguay	10/06/92	10/06/92 a	10/01/95 a		13/09/00 s	06/04/87 a	14/05/01	25/09/90	13/09/00 s	13/09/00 s	12/03/90
Peru	28/04/78	28/04/78	03/10/80 a		29/09/71*	13/09/82	09/04/01	05/09/90	01/11/00 s	01/11/00 s	07/07/88
Philippines	23/10/86	07/06/74	22/08/89 a		15/09/67	05/08/81	21/03/00 s	21/08/90	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	18/06/86 a
Poland	18/03/77	18/03/77	07/11/91 a	21/03/00 s	05/12/68*	10/07/80		07/06/91			26/07/89*
Portugal	15/06/78	31/07/78	03/05/83	17/10/90	24/08/82 a*	30/07/80	16/02/00 s	21/09/90	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	09/02/89*
Qatar					27/07/76 a			04/04/95		14/12/01 a	11/01/00 a
Republic of Korea	10/04/90 a	10/04/90 a	10/04/90 a		05/12/78*	27/12/84		20/11/91	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	09/01/95 a
Republic of Moldova	26/01/93 a	26/01/93 a			26/01/93 a	01/07/94 a		26/01/93 a			28/11/95
Romania	09/12/74	09/12/74	20/07/93 a	27/02/91	15/09/70 a	07/01/82	06/09/00 s	28/09/90	11/11/01	18/10/01	18/12/90 a
Russian Federation	16/10/73	16/10/73	01/10/91 a		04/02/69*	23/01/81	08/05/01 s	17/08/90	15/02/01 s		03/03/87*
Rwanda	16/04/75 a	16/04/75 a			16/04/75 a	02/03/81		24/01/91			
Saint Kitts and Nevis						25/04/85 a		24/07/90			
Saint Lucia					14/02/90 d	08/10/82 a		16/06/93			
Saint Vincent and Grenadines	09/11/81 a	09/11/81 a	09/11/81 a		09/11/81 a	05/08/81 a		26/10/93			01/08/01 a

State	ICCPR	ICESCR	OP 1	OP 2	Race C	Women C	Women-OP	CRC	OP-AC	OP-SC	Torture C
Samoa											
San Marino	18/10/85 a	18/10/85 a	18/10/85 a				25/09/92 a	29/11/94			
Sao Tome and Principe					11/12/01 s			25/11/91 a	05/06/00 s	05/06/00 s	
Saudi Arabia	31/10/95 s	31/10/95 s	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	06/09/00 s	31/10/95 s	06/09/00 s	14/05/91 a			06/09/00 s
Senegal	13/02/78	13/02/78	13/02/78		23/09/97 a	08/09/00		26/01/96 a			23/09/97 a
Seychelles	05/05/92 a	05/05/92 a	05/05/92 a	15/12/94 a	19/04/72*	05/02/85	26/05/00	01/08/90	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	21/08/86*
Sierra Leone	23/08/96 a	23/08/96 a	23/08/96 a		07/03/78 a	06/05/92 a		07/09/90 a	23/01/01 s	23/01/01 s	05/05/92 a*
Singapore					02/08/67	11/11/88	08/09/00 s	18/06/90	08/09/00 s	17/09/01	25/04/01
Slovakia	28/05/93 d	28/05/93 d	28/05/93	22/06/99	28/05/93 d*	05/10/95 a		05/10/95 a	07/09/00 s		
Slovenia	06/07/92 d	06/07/92 d	16/07/93 a	10/03/94	28/05/93 d	28/05/93 d	17/11/00	28/05/93 d		30/11/01 s	28/05/93 d*
Solomon Islands		17/03/82 d			06/07/92 d	06/07/92 d	10/12/99 s	06/07/92 d	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	16/07/93 a
Somalia	24/01/90 a	24/01/90 a	24/01/90 a		17/03/82 d			10/04/95 a			
South Africa	10/12/98	03/10/94 s			26/08/75						24/01/90 a
Spain	27/04/77	27/04/77	25/01/85 a	11/04/91	10/12/98*	15/12/95		16/06/95			10/12/98*
Sri Lanka	11/06/80 a	11/06/80 a	03/10/97 a		13/09/68 a*	05/01/84	06/07/01	06/12/90	06/09/00 s	18/12/01	21/10/87*
Sudan	18/03/76 a	18/03/86 a			18/02/82 a	05/10/81		12/07/91	08/09/00		03/01/94 a
Suriname	28/12/76 a	28/12/76 a	28/12/76 a		21/03/77 a			03/08/90			04/06/86 s
Swaziland					15/03/84 d	02/03/93 a		02/03/93			
Sweden	06/12/71	06/12/71	06/12/71	11/05/90	07/04/69 a			08/09/95			
Switzerland	18/06/92 a	18/06/92 a		16/06/94 a	06/12/71*	02/07/80	10/12/99 s	29/06/90	08/06/00 s	08/06/00 s	08/01/86*
Syrian Arab Republic	21/04/69 a	21/04/69 a			29/11/94 a	27/03/97		24/02/97	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	02/12/86*
Tajikistan	04/01/99 a	04/01/99 a	04/01/99 a		21/04/69 a			15/07/93			
Thailand	29/10/96 a	05/09/99 a			11/01/95 a	26/10/93 a	07/09/00 s	26/10/93 a			11/01/95 a
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	18/01/94 d	18/01/94 d	12/12/94 a	26/01/95		09/08/85 a	14/06/00	27/03/92 a			
Togo	24/05/84 a	24/05/84 a	30/03/88 a		18/01/94 d*	18/01/94 d	03/04/00 s	02/12/93 d	17/07/01 s	17/07/01 s	12/12/94 d
Tonga					01/09/72 a	26/09/83 a		01/08/90		15/11/01 s	18/11/87*
Trinidad and Tobago	21/12/78 a	08/12/78 a			16/02/72 a			06/11/95 a			
					04/10/73	12/01/90		06/12/91			

State	ICCPR	ICESCR	OP 1	OP 2	Race C	Women C	Women-OP	CRC	OP-AC	OP-SC	Torture C
Tunisia	18/03/69	18/03/69			13/01/67	20/09/85		31/01/92			23/09/88*
Turkey	15/08/00 s	15/08/00 s			13/10/72 s	20/12/85 a	08/09/00 s	04/04/95	08/09/00 s	08/09/00 s	02/08/88*
Turkmenistan	01/05/97 a	01/05/97 a	01/05/97 a	11/01/00 a	29/09/94 a	01/05/97 a		20/09/93 a			25/06/99 a
Tuvalu						06/10/99 a		22/09/95 a			
Uganda	21/06/95 a	21/01/87 a	14/11/95		21/11/80 a	23/07/85		17/08/90			03/11/86 a
Ukraine	12/11/73	12/11/73	25/07/91 a		07/03/69*	12/03/81	07/09/00 s	28/08/91	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	24/02/87
United Arab Emirates					20/06/74 a			03/01/97 a			
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland											
Ireland	20/05/76	20/05/76		10/12/99	07/03/69	07/04/86		16/12/91	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	08/12/88*
United Republic of Tanzania	11/06/76 a	11/06/76 a			27/10/72 a	20/08/85		11/06/91			
United States of America	08/06/92	05/10/77 s			21/10/94	17/07/80 s		16/02/95 s	05/07/00 s	05/07/00 s	21/10/94*
Uruguay	01/04/70	01/04/70	01/04/70	21/01/93	30/08/68*	09/10/81	26/07/01	20/11/90	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	24/10/86*
Uzbekistan	28/09/95 a	28/09/95 a	28/09/95 a		28/09/95 a	19/07/95 a		29/06/94 a			28/09/95 a
Vanuatu						08/09/95		07/07/93			
Venezuela	10/05/78	10/05/78	10/05/78	22/02/93	10/10/67	02/05/83	17/03/00 s	14/09/90	07/09/00 s	07/09/00 s	29/07/91*
Vietnam	24/09/82 a	24/09/82 a			09/06/82 a	17/02/82		28/02/90	20/12/01	20/12/01	
Yemen	09/02/87 a	09/02/87 a			18/10/72 a	30/05/84 a		01/05/91			05/11/91 a
Yugoslavia	12/03/01 d	12/03/01 d	06/09/01	06/09/01 a	12/03/01 d*	26/02/82		03/01/91 d	08/10/01 s	08/10/01 s	12/03/01 d*
Zambia	10/04/84 a	10/04/84 a	10/04/84 a		04/02/72	21/06/85		06/12/91			07/10/98 a
Zimbabwe	13/05/91 a	13/05/91 a			13/05/91 a	14/05/91 a		11/09/90			

International Human Rights Treaties	ICCPR	ICESCR	OP 1	OP 2	Race C	Women C	Women-OP	CRC	OP-AC	OP-SC	Torture C
Total Signatories (among non-State parties)	7	7	4	7	9	3	45	1	77	76	11
Total State parties	148	145	101	46	161	168	30	191	14	17	128

Notes:

ICCPR = International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

ICESCR = International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

OP 1 = The First Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

OP 2 = The Second Optional Protocol to International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aimed at the abolition of the death penalty

Race C = International Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Racial Discrimination

Women C = The Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women

Women-OP = The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women

CRC = Convention on the Rights of the Child

OP-AC = The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict

OP-SC = The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography

Torture C = The Convention against Torture

a = accession

d = succession

s = signature

* indicates that the State party has recognised the competence to receive and process individual communications of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination under Article 14 of the Race Convention (total States Parties) or the Committee against Torture under article 22 of Torture Convention (total 46 States Parties).

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KEY REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (1950)

State party	Date of signature	Date of ratification	Date of entry into force
Albania	13/07/95	02/10/96	02/10/96
Andorra	10/11/94	22/01/96	22/01/96
Armenia	25/01/01		
Austria	13/12/57	03/09/58	03/09/58
Azerbaijan	25/01/01		
Belgium	04/11/50	14/06/55	14/06/55
Bulgaria	07/05/92	07/09/92	07/09/92
Croatia	06/11/96	05/11/97	05/11/97
Cyprus	16/12/61	06/10/62	06/10/62
Czech Republic*	21/02/91	18/03/92	01/01/93
Denmark	04/11/50	13/04/53	03/09/53
Estonia	14/05/93	16/04/96	16/04/96
Finland	05/05/89	10/05/90	10/05/90
France	04/11/50	03/05/74	03/05/74
Georgia	27/04/99	20/05/99	20/05/99
Germany***	04/11/50	05/12/52	03/09/53
Greece**	28/11/50	28/11/74	28/11/74
Hungary	06/11/90	05/11/92	05/11/92
Iceland	04/11/50	29/06/53	03/09/53
Ireland	04/11/50	25/02/53	03/09/53
Italy	04/11/50	26/10/55	26/10/55
Latvia	10/02/95	27/06/97	27/06/97
Liechtenstein	23/11/78	08/09/82	08/09/82
Lithuania	14/05/93	20/06/95	20/06/95
Luxembourg	04/11/50	03/09/53	03/09/53
Malta	12/12/66	23/01/67	23/01/67
Moldova	13/07/95	12/09/97	12/09/97
Netherlands	04/11/50	31/08/54	31/08/54
Norway	04/11/50	15/01/52	03/09/53

State party	Date of signature	Date of ratification	Date of entry into force
Poland	26/11/91	19/01/93	19/01/93
Portugal	22/09/76	09/11/78	09/11/78
Romania	07/10/93	20/06/94	20/06/94
Russia	28/02/96	05/05/98	05/05/98
San Marino	16/11/88	22/03/89	22/03/89
Slovakia*	21/02/91	18/03/92	01/01/93
Slovenia	14/05/93	28/06/94	28/06/94
Spain	24/11/77	04/10/79	04/10/79
Sweden	28/11/50	04/02/52	03/09/53
Switzerland	21/12/72	28/11/74	28/11/74
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	09/11/95	10/04/97	10/04/97
Turkey	04/11/50	18/05/54	18/05/54
Ukraine	09/11/95	11/09/97	11/09/97
United Kingdom	04/11/50	08/03/51	03/09/53

Notes:

1. Opened for Signature in Rome 4 November 1950. Entered into force 3 September 1953.
2. As of 5 April 2002 total number of ratifications/accessions: 41. Total number of signatures not followed by ratification: 2.

- * Date of signature and ratification by the former Czech Republic and Slovak Federal Republic.
- ** Ratification 28 March 1953 – Denunciation with effect on 13 June 1970.
- *** Ratification by Saarland 14 January 1953 – Saarland became an integral part of Germany on 1 January 1957.

Source: Treaty Office Council of Europe <http://conventions.coe.int/>

American Convention on Human Rights 'Pact of San Jose,
Costa Rica'

(Signed at San José, Costa Rica, 22 November 1969, at the Inter-American Specialised Conference on Human Rights)

State party	Date signed	Date deposit/ ratification	Date of acceptance of the jurisdiction of the Court
Argentina*	02/02/84	05/09/84	05/09/84
Barbados	20/06/78	27/11/82	04/06/00
Bolivia		19/07/79	27/07/93
Brazil		25/09/92	10/12/98
Chile*		21/08/90	21/08/90
Colombia*		31/07/73	21/06/85
Costa Rica*		08/04/70	02/07/80
Dominica		03/06/93	
Dominican Republic	07/09/77	19/04/78	25/03/99
Ecuador*		28/12/77	24/07/84
El Salvador		23/06/78	06/06/95
Grenada	14/07/78	18/07/78	
Guatemala		25/05/78	09/03/87
Haiti		27/09/77	03/03/98
Honduras		08/09/77	09/09/81
Jamaica*	16/09/77	07/08/78	
Mexico		02/03/81	16/12/98
Nicaragua		25/09/79	12/02/91
Panama		22/06/78	03/05/90
Paraguay		24/08/89	11/03/93
Peru*	27/07/77	28/07/78	21/01/81
Suriname		12/11/87	12/11/87
Trinidad and Tobago		28/05/91	25/05/91
United States Uruguay*	01/06/77	19/04/85	19/04/85
Venezuela*		09/08/77	24/06/81

Notes:

1. The entry into force: 18 July 1978, in accordance with Article 74.2 of the Convention.
2. * (denotes) States that have accepted the competence of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights to receive and examine communications in which a State party alleges that another State party has violated the human rights set forth in the American Convention: Argentina (05/09/84); Chile (21/08/90); Colombia (21/06/85); Costa Rica (02/07/80); Ecuador (13/08/84); Jamaica (07/08/78); Peru (21/01/81); Uruguay (19/04/85) and Venezuela (09/08/77).
3. All States (with the exception of those whose date of signature is cited in the Table) signed the Convention on 22 November 1969.

Source: Adopted from the Inter American Commission on Human Rights: Organization of American States <http://www.cidh.oas.org/Basicos/basic4.htm>

African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (1981)

State	Date of signature	Date of ratification/ accession	Date deposited
Algeria	10/04/86	01/03/87	20/03/87
Angola		02/03/90	09/10/90
Benin		20/01/86	25/02/86
Botswana		17/07/86	22/07/86
Burkina Faso	05/03/84	06/07/84	21/09/84
Burundi		28/07/89	30/08/89
Cameroon	23/07/87	20/06/89	18/09/89
Cape Verde	31/03/86	02/06/87	06/08/87
Central African Republic		26/04/86	27/07/86
Chad	29/05/86	09/10/86	11/11/86
Comoros		01/06/86	18/07/86
Congo	27/11/81	09/12/82	20/07/87
Congo (RD)	23/07/87	20/07/87	28/07/87
Côte d'Ivoire		06/01/92	31/03/92
Djibouti	20/12/91	11/11/91	31/03/92
Egypt	16/11/81	20/03/84	03/04/84
Equatorial Guinea	18/08/86	07/04/86	18/08/86
Eritrea		14/01/99	15/03/99
Ethiopia		15/06/98	22/06/98
Gabon	26/02/82	20/02/86	26/06/86
Gambia	11/02/83	08/06/83	13/06/83
Ghana		24/01/89	01/03/89
Guinea	09/12/81	16/02/82	13/05/82
Guinea Bissau		04/12/85	06/03/86
Kenya		23/01/92	10/02/92
Lesotho	07/03/84	10/02/92	27/02/92
Liberia	31/01/83	04/08/82	29/12/82
Libya	30/05/85	19/07/86	26/03/87
Madagascar		09/03/92	19/03/92
Malawi	13/11/81	17/11/89	23/02/90
Mali	13/11/81	21/12/81	22/01/82
Mauritania	25/02/82	14/06/86	26/06/86
Mauritius	27/02/92	19/06/92	01/07/92
Mozambique		22/02/89	07/03/90

State	Date of signature	Date of ratification/ accession	Date deposited
Namibia		30/7/92	16/09/92
Niger	09/07/86	15/07/86	21/07/86
Nigeria	31/08/82	22/06/83	22/07/83
Rwanda	11/11/81	15/07/83	22/07/83
Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic	10/04/86	02/05/86	23/05/86
Sao Tome and Principe		23/05/86	28/07/86
Senegal	23/09/81	13/08/82	25/10/82
Seychelles		13/04/92	30/04/92
Sierra Leone	27/08/81	21/09/83	27/01/84
Somalia	26/02/82	31/07/85	20/03/86
South Africa	09/07/96	09/07/96	09/07/96
Sudan		03/09/82	11/03/86
Swaziland		15/09/95	09/10/95
Tanzania	31/05/82	18/02/84	09/03/84
Togo	26/02/82	05/11/82	22/11/82
Tunisia		16/03/83	22/04/83
Uganda	18/08/86	10/05/86	27/05/86
Zambia	17/01/83	10/01/84	02/02/84
Zimbabwe	20/02/86	30/05/86	12/06/86

Notes:

1. The African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights adopted by the eighteenth session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government, June 1981.
2. Entered into force on 21 October 1986.

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