## **BELARUS**

#### **CEDAW**

### **RESERVATIONS AND DECLARATIONS**

(Unless otherwise indicated, the reservations and declarations were made upon ratification, accession or succession)

#### Note

In communications received on 8 March 1989, 19 and 20 April 1989, respectively, the Governments of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic notified the Secretary-General that they had decided to withdraw the reservations made upon ratification relating to article 29 (1). The reservations were identical in essence, mutatis mutandis, to the reservation made by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. For the text of the reservations, see United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 1249, pp. 117, 121 and 133.

[Ed. note: as follows:

In accordance with article 29, paragraph 2, of the Convention, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic declares that it does not consider itself bound by the provisions of article 29, paragraph 1, of the Convention, which provides that any dispute between two or more States Parties concerning the interpretation or application of the present Convention which is not settled by negotiation shall, at the request of one of them, be submitted to arbitration, or to the International Court of Justice, and further declares that for such dispute to be submitted to arbitration or to the International Court of Justice in every case there must be agreement between all the parties involved in the dispute.]

(Note 54, Chapter IV.8, Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General)

# OBJECTIONS MADE TO OTHER STATES PARTIES RESERVATIONS AND DECLARATIONS

#### Note

The Secretary-General received several objections to the signature of the above Convention by Democratic Kampuchea. These objections are identical in matter, *mutatis mutandis*, as those reproduced in note 3 in chapter IV.3.

[Ed. note: as follows:

The signature was effected by Democratic Kampuchea. In this regard the Secretary-General

received, on 5 November 1980, the following communication from the Government of Mongolia: "The Government of the Mongolian People's Republic considers that only the People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea as the sole authentic and lawful representative of the Kampuchean people has the right to assume international obligations on behalf of the Kampuchean people. Therefore the Government of the Mongolian People's Republic considers that the signature of the Human Rights Covenants by the representative of the so-called Democratic Kampuchea, a régime that ceased to exist as a result of the people's revolution in Kampuchea, is null and void.

"The signing of the Human Rights Covenants by an individual, whose régime during its short period of reign in Kampuchea had exterminated about 3 million people and had thus grossly violated the elementary norms of human rights, each and every provision of the Human Rights Covenants is a regrettable precedence, which discredits the noble aims and lofty principles of the United Nations Charter, the very spirit of the above-mentioned Covenants, gravely impairs the prestige of the United Nations."

Thereafter, similar communications were received from the Government of the following States on the dates indicated and their texts were circulated as depositary notifications or, at the request of the States concerned, as official documents of the General Assembly (A-33-781 and A-35-784):

<u>State</u>	Date of receipt
German Democratic Republic	11 Dec 1980
Poland	12 Dec 1980
Ukraine	16 Dec 1980
Hungary	19 Jan 1981
Bulgaria	29 Jan 1981
Belarus	18 Feb 1981
Russian Federation	18 Feb 1981
Czechoslovakia	10 Mar 1981]

Following is the list of States who have notified their objection with the date of receipt of the notifications:

<u>Participant</u> <u>Date of receipt</u>

German Democratic Republic 11 Dec 1980

Hungary 19 Jan 1981

Bulgaria 29 Jan 1981

Russian Federation 13 Feb 1981

Belarus 18 Feb 1981

Czechoslovakia 10 Mar 1981

(Note 10, Chapter IV.8, Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General)