

Status of Ratification

CAT

| Country | Ratification ¹ | Entry into force | Article 21 Declaration ² | Article 22 Declaration ² | Article 28 Declaration (Re: Art. 20) ² | Amendment re: Articles 17(7) & 18(5) ³ |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| Afghanistan | 1 Apr 1987 | 26 Jun 1987 | | | 1 Apr 1987 | |
| Albania | 11 May 1994 | 10 Jun 1994 | | | | |
| Algeria | 12 Sep 1989 | 12 Oct 1989 | 12 Sep 1989 | 12 Sep 1989 | | |
| Andorra | 22 Sep 2006 | 22 Oct 2006 | 22 Nov 2006 | 22 Nov 2006 | | |
| Angola | | | | | | |
| Antigua & Barbuda | 19 Jul 1993 | 18 Aug 1993 | | | | |
| Argentina | 24 Sep 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 24 Sep 1986 | 24 Sep 1986 | | |
| Armenia | 13 Sep 1993 | 13 Oct 1993 | | | | |
| Australia | 8 Aug 1989 | 7 Sep 1989 | 28 Jan 1993 | 28 Jan 1993 | | 15 Oct 1993 |
| Austria | 29 Jul 1987 | 28 Aug 1987 | 29 Jul 1987 | 29 Jul 1987 | | |
| Azerbaijan | 16 Aug 1996 | 15 Sep 1996 | | 4 Feb 2002 | | |
| Bahamas | <i>s: 16 Dec 2008⁴</i> | | | | | |
| Bahrain | 6 Mar 1998 | 5 Apr 1998 | | | | |

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| Bangladesh | 5 Oct 1998 | 4 Nov 1998 | | | | |
| Barbados | | | | | | |
| Belarus | 13 Mar 1987 | 26 Jun 1987 | | | | |
| Belgium | 25 Jun 1999 | 25 Jul 1999 | 25 Jun 1999 | 25 Jun 1999 | | |
| Belize | 17 Mar 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | | | | |
| Benin | 12 Mar 1992 | 11 Apr 1992 | | | | |
| Bhutan | | | | | | |
| Bolivia | 12 Apr 1999 | 12 May 1999 | 14 Feb 2006 | 14 Feb 2006 | | |
| Bosnia & Herzegovina | 1 Sep 1993 | 6 Mar 1992 ⁵ | 4 Jun 2003 | 4 Jun 2003 | | |
| Botswana | 8 Sep 2000 | 8 Oct 2000 | | | | |
| Brazil | 28 Sep 1989 | 28 Oct 1989 | | 26 Jun 2006 | | |
| Brunei Darussalam | | | | | | |
| Bulgaria | 16 Dec 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 12 May 1993 | 12 May 1993 | | 2 Mar 1995 |
| Burkina Faso | 4 Jan 1999 | 3 Feb 1999 | | | | |
| Burundi | 18 Feb 1993 | 20 Mar 1993 | | 10 Jun 2003 | | |
| Cambodia | 15 Oct 1992 | 14 Nov 1992 | | | | |
| Cameroon | 19 Dec 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 12 Oct 2000 | 12 Oct 2000 | | |
| Canada | 24 Jun 1987 | 24 Jul 1987 | 13 Nov 1989 | 13 Nov 1989 | | 8 Feb 1995 |
| Cape Verde | 4 Jun 1992 | 4 Jul 1992 | | | | |

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| Central African Republic | | | | | | |
| Chad | 9 Jun 1995 | 9 Jul 1995 | | | | |
| Chile | 30 Sep 1988 | 30 Oct 1988 | 15 Mar 2004 | 15 Mar 2004 | | |
| China | 4 Oct 1988 | 3 Nov 1988 | | | 4 Oct 1988 | 10 Jul 2002 |
| Colombia | 8 Dec 1987 | 7 Jan 1988 | | | | 1 Sep 1999 |
| Comoros | <i>s: 22 Sep 2000</i> ⁴ | | | | | |
| Congo | 30 Jul 2003 | 30 Aug 2003 | | | | |
| Cook Islands | | | | | | |
| Costa Rica | 11 Nov 1993 | 11 Dec 1993 | 27 Feb 2002 | 27 Feb 2002 | | |
| Côte d'Ivoire | 18 Dec 1995 | 17 Jan 1996 | | | | |
| Croatia | 12 Oct 1992 | 8 Oct 1991 ⁶ | 12 Oct 1992 ⁶ | 12 Oct 1992 ⁶ | | |
| Cuba | 17 May 1995 | 16 Jun 1995 | | | | |
| Cyprus | 18 Jul 1991 | 17 Aug 1991 | 8 Apr 1993 | 8 Apr 1993 | | 22 Feb 1994 |
| Czech Republic | 22 Feb 1993 | 1 Jan 1993 ⁷ | 3 Sep 1996 | 3 Sep 1996 | | |
| Democratic People's Republic of Korea | | | | | | |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | 18 Mar 1996 | 17 Apr 1996 | | | | |
| Denmark | 27 May 1987 | 26 Jun 1987 | 27 May 1987 | 27 May 1987 | | 3 Sep 1993 |
| Djibouti | 5 Nov 2002 | 5 Dec 2002 | | | | |

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| Dominica | | | | | | |
| Dominican Republic | <i>s: 4 Feb 1985⁴</i> | | | | | |
| Ecuador | 30 Mar 1988 | 29 Apr 1988 | 6 Sep 1988 | 6 Sep 1988 | | 6 Sep 1995 |
| Egypt | 25 Jun 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | | | | |
| El Salvador | 17 Jun 1996 | 17 Jul 1996 | | | | |
| Equatorial Guinea | 8 Oct 2002 | 7 Nov 2002 | | | 8 Oct 2002 | |
| Eritrea | | | | | | |
| Estonia | 21 Oct 1991 | 20 Nov 1991 | | | | |
| Ethiopia | 14 Mar 1994 | 13 Apr 1994 | | | | |
| Fiji | | | | | | |
| Finland | 30 Aug 1989 | 29 Sep 1989 | 30 Aug 1989 | 30 Aug 1989 | | 5 Feb 1993 |
| France | 18 Feb 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 23 Jun 1988 | 23 Jun 1988 | | 24 May 1994 |
| Gabon | 8 Sep 2000 | 8 Oct 2000 | | | | |
| Gambia | <i>s: 23 Oct 1985⁴</i> | | | | | |
| Georgia | 26 Oct 1994 | 25 Nov 1994 | 30 Jun 2005 | 30 Jun 2005 | | |
| Germany ⁸ | 1 Oct 1990 | 31 Oct 1990 | 19 Oct 2001 | 19 Oct 2001 | | 8 Oct 1996 |
| Ghana | 7 Sep 2000 | 7 Oct 2000 | 7 Sep 2000 | 7 Sep 2000 | | |
| Greece | 6 Oct 1988 | 5 Nov 1988 | 6 Oct 1988 | 6 Oct 1988 | | |
| Grenada | | | | | | |

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| Guatemala | 5 Jan 1990 | 4 Feb 1990 | | 25 Sep 2003 | | |
| Guinea | 10 Oct 1989 | 9 Nov 1989 | | | | |
| Guinea-Bissau | <i>s: 12 Sep 2000⁴</i> | | | | | |
| Guyana | 19 May 1988 | 18 Jun 1988 | | | | |
| Haiti | | | | | | |
| Holy See | 26 Jun 2002 | 26 Jul 2002 | | | | |
| Honduras | 5 Dec 1996 | 4 Jan 1997 | | | | |
| Hungary | 15 Apr 1987 | 26 Jun 1987 | 13 Sep 1989 | 13 Sep 1989 | | |
| Iceland | 23 Oct 1996 | 22 Nov 1996 | 23 Oct 1996 | 23 Oct 1996 | | 23 Oct 1996 |
| India | <i>s: 14 Oct 1997⁴</i> | | | | | |
| Indonesia | 28 Oct 1998 | 27 Nov 1998 | | | | |
| Iran (Islamic Republic Of) | | | | | | |
| Iraq | 7 Jul 2011 | 7 Aug 2011 | | | | |
| Ireland | 11 Apr 2002 | 11 May 2002 | 11 Apr 2002 | 11 Apr 2002 | | |
| Israel | 3 Oct 1991 | 2 Nov 1991 | | | 3 Oct 1991 | |
| Italy | 12 Jan 1989 | 11 Feb 1989 | 10 Oct 1989 | 10 Oct 1989 | | |
| Jamaica | | | | | | |
| Japan | 29 Jun 1999 | 29 Jul 1999 | 29 Jun 1999 | | | |
| Jordan | 13 Nov 1991 | 13 Dec 1991 | | | | |

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| Kazakhstan | 26 Aug 1998 | 25 Sep 1998 | 21 Feb 2008 | 21 Feb 2008 | | |
| Kenya | 21 Feb 1997 | 23 Mar 1997 | | | | |
| Kiribati | | | | | | |
| Kuwait | 8 Mar 1996 | 7 Apr 1996 | | | 8 Mar 1996 | |
| Kyrgyzstan | 5 Sep 1997 | 5 Oct 1997 | | | | |
| Lao People's Democratic Republic | <i>s: 21 Sep 2010⁴</i> | | | | | |
| Latvia | 14 Apr 1992 | 14 May 1992 | | | | |
| Lebanon | 5 Oct 2000 | 4 Nov 2000 | | | | |
| Lesotho | 12 Nov 2001 | 12 Dec 2001 | | | | |
| Liberia | 22 Sep 2004 | 22 Oct 2004 | | | | 16 Sep 2005 |
| Libyan Arab Jamahiriya | 16 May 1989 | 15 Jun 1989 | | | | |
| Liechtenstein | 2 Nov 1990 | 2 Dec 1990 | 2 Nov 1990 | 2 Nov 1990 | | 24 Aug 1994 |
| Lithuania | 1 Feb 1996 | 2 Mar 1996 | | | | |
| Luxembourg | 29 Sep 1987 | 29 Oct 1987 | 29 Sep 1987 | 29 Sep 1987 | | 31 Jan 2005 |
| Madagascar | 13 Dec 2005 | 13 Jan 2006 | | | | |
| Malawi | 11 Jun 1996 | 11 Jul 1996 | | | | |
| Malaysia | | | | | | |
| Maldives | 20 Apr 2004 | 20 May 2004 | | | | |
| Mali | 26 Feb 1999 | 28 Mar 1999 | | | | |

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| Malta | 13 Sep 1990 | 13 Oct 1990 | 13 Sep 1990 | 13 Sep 1990 | | |
| Marshall Islands | | | | | | |
| Mauritania | 17 Nov 2004 | 17 Dec 2004 | | | 17 Nov 2004 | |
| Mauritius | 9 Dec 1992 | 8 Jan 1993 | | | | |
| Mexico | 23 Jan 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | | 15 Mar 2002 | | 15 Mar 2002 |
| Micronesia | | | | | | |
| Monaco | 6 Dec 1991 | 5 Jan 1992 | 6 Dec 1991 | 6 Dec 1991 | | |
| Mongolia | 24 Jan 2002 | 23 Feb 2002 | | | | |
| Morocco | 21 Jun 1993 | 21 Jul 1993 | | 19 Oct 2006 | | |
| Mozambique | 14 Sep 1999 | 14 Oct 1999 | | | | |
| Myanmar | | | | | | |
| Namibia | 28 Nov 1994 | 28 Dec 1994 | | | | |
| Nauru | <i>s:12 Nov 2001</i> ⁴ | | | | | |
| Nepal | 14 May 1991 | 13 Jun 1991 | | | | |
| Netherlands ⁹ | 21 Dec 1988 | 20 Jan 1989 | 21 Dec 1988 | 21 Dec 1988 | | 24 Jan 1995 |
| New Zealand | 10 Dec 1989 | 9 Jan 1990 | 10 Dec 1989 | 10 Dec 1989 | | 8 Oct 1993 |
| Nicaragua | 5 Jul 2005 | 5 Aug 2005 | | | | |
| Niger | 5 Oct 1998 | 4 Nov 1998 | | | | |
| Nigeria | 28 Jun 2001 | 28 Jul 2001 | | | | |

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| Niue | | | | | | |
| Norway | 9 Jul 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 9 Jul 1986 | 9 Jul 1986 | | 6 Oct 1993 |
| Oman | | | | | | |
| Pakistan | 23 Jun 2010 | 23 Jul 2010 | | | 23 Jun 2010 | |
| Palau | <i>s: 20 Sep 2011</i> ⁴ | | | | | |
| Panama | 24 Aug 1987 | 23 Sep 1987 | | | | |
| Papua New Guinea | | | | | | |
| Paraguay | 12 Mar 1990 | 11 Apr 1990 | 29 May 2002 | 29 May 2002 | | |
| Peru | 7 Jul 1988 | 6 Aug 1988 | 17 Oct 2002 | 17 Oct 2002 | | |
| Philippines | 18 Jun 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | | | | 27 Nov 1996 |
| Poland | 26 Jul 1989 | 25 Aug 1989 | 12 May 1993 | 12 May 1993 | | 23 Mar 2009 |
| Portugal | 9 Feb 1989 | 11 Mar 1989 | 9 Feb 1989 | 9 Feb 1989 | | 17 Apr 1998 |
| Qatar | 11 Jan 2000 | 10 Feb 2000 | | | | |
| Republic of Korea | 9 Jan 1995 | 8 Feb 1995 | 9 Nov 2007 | 9 Nov 2007 | | |
| Republic of Moldova | 28 Nov 1995 | 28 Dec 1995 | 2 Sep 2011 | 2 Sep 2011 | | |
| Republic of Montenegro ¹⁴ | 23 Oct 2006 ¹⁴ | 3 Jun 2006 ¹⁴ | 23 Oct 2006 ¹⁴ | 23 Oct 2006 ¹⁴ | | |
| Republic of Serbia ¹² | 10 Sep 1991 ¹² | 10 Oct 1991 | 10 Sep 1991 ¹² | 10 Sep 1991 ¹² | | |
| Romania | 18 Dec 1990 | 17 Jan 1991 | | | | |
| Russian Federation | 3 Mar 1987 | 26 Jun 1987 | 1 Oct 1991 | 1 Oct 1991 | | |

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| Rwanda | 15 Dec 2008 | 15 Jan 2009 | | | | |
| Saint Kitts & Nevis | | | | | | |
| Saint Lucia | | | | | | |
| Saint Vincent & the Grenadines | 1 Aug 2001 | 31 Aug 2001 | | | | |
| Samoa | | | | | | |
| San Marino | 27 Nov 2006 | 27 Dec 2006 | | | | |
| Sao Tome & Principe | <i>s: 6 Sep 2000</i> ⁴ | | | | | |
| Saudi Arabia | 23 Sep 1997 | 22 Oct 1997 | | | 23 Sep 1997 | |
| Senegal | 21 Aug 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 16 Oct 1996 | 16 Oct 1996 | | |
| Seychelles | 5 May 1992 | 4 Jun 1992 | | 6 Aug 2001 | | 23 Jul 1993 |
| Sierra Leone | 25 Apr 2001 | 25 May 2001 | | | | |
| Singapore | | | | | | |
| Slovakia | 28 May 1993 | 28 May 1993 ¹⁰ | 17 Mar 1995 | 17 Mar 1995 | | |
| Slovenia | 16 Jul 1993 | 15 Aug 1993 ¹¹ | 16 Jul 1993 | 16 Jul 1993 | | |
| Solomon Islands | | | | | | |
| Somalia | 24 Jan 1990 | 23 Feb 1990 | | | | |
| South Africa | 10 Dec 1998 | 9 Jan 1999 | 10 Dec 1998 | 10 Dec 1998 | | |
| South Sudan | | | | | | |
| Spain | 21 Oct 1987 | 20 Nov 1987 | 21 Oct 1987 | 21 Oct 1987 | | 5 May 1999 |

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| Sri Lanka | 3 Jan 1994 | 2 Feb 1994 | | | | |
| Sudan | <i>s: 4 Jun 1986</i> ⁴ | | | | | |
| Suriname | | | | | | |
| Swaziland | 26 Mar 2004 | 26 Apr 2004 | | | | |
| Sweden | 8 Jan 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 8 Jan 1986 | 8 Jan 1986 | | 14 May 1993 |
| Switzerland | 2 Dec 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 2 Dec 1986 | 2 Dec 1986 | | 10 Dec 1993 |
| Syrian Arab Republic | 19 Aug 2004 | 19 Sep 2004 | | | 19 Aug 2004 | |
| Tajikistan | 11 Jan 1995 | 10 Feb 1995 | | | | |
| Thailand | 2 Oct 2007 | 2 Nov 2007 | | | | |
| The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | 12 Dec 1994 | 12 Dec 1994 ¹³ | | | | |
| Timor-Leste | 16 Apr 2003 | 16 May 2003 | | | | |
| Togo | 18 Nov 1987 | 18 Dec 1987 | 18 Nov 1987 | 18 Nov 1987 | | |
| Tonga | | | | | | |
| Trinidad & Tobago | | | | | | |
| Tunisia | 23 Sep 1988 | 23 Oct 1988 | 23 Sep 1988 | 23 Sep 1988 | | |
| Turkey | 2 Aug 1988 | 1 Sep 1988 | 2 Aug 1988 | 2 Aug 1988 | | |
| Turkmenistan | 25 Jun 1999 | 25 Jul 1999 | | | | |
| Tuvalu | | | | | | |
| Uganda | 3 Nov 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 19 Dec 2001 | | | |

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| Ukraine | 24 Feb 1987 | 26 Jun 1987 | 12 Sep 2003 | 12 Sep 2003 | | 17 Jun 1994 |
| United Arab Emirates | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain & N. Ireland | 8 Dec 1988 | 7 Jan 1989 | 8 Dec 1988 | | | 7 Feb 1994 |
| United Republic of Tanzania | | | | | | |
| United States of America | 21 Oct 1994 | 20 Nov 1994 | 21 Oct 1994 | | | |
| Uruguay | 24 Oct 1986 | 26 Jun 1987 | 27 Jul 1988 | 27 Jul 1988 | | |
| Uzbekistan | 28 Sep 1995 | 28 Oct 1995 | | | | |
| Vanuatu | 12 Jul 2011 | 12 Aug 2011 | | | | |
| Venezuela | 29 Jul 1991 | 28 Aug 1991 | 26 Apr 1994 | 26 Apr 1994 | | |
| Viet Nam | | | | | | |
| Yemen | 5 Nov 1991 | 5 Dec 1991 | | | | |
| Zambia | 7 Oct 1998 | 6 Nov 1998 | | | | |
| Zimbabwe | | | | | | |
| | 149 State parties 11 signatories | | 62 | 65 | 9 | 28 |

¹ “Ratification” includes ratification, accession or succession.

² In the case of CAT - Article 21, CAT - Article 22, and CAT - Article 28 (re: Article 20), the State has the option of making a declaration in accordance with the terms of the Convention.

Article 21 provides for an inter-state complaint mechanism. The Committee against Torture may receive and consider communications to the effect that a State Party claims that another State Party is not fulfilling its obligations under the Convention.

Article 22 provides for an individual complaint mechanism. The Committee against Torture may receive and consider communications from or on behalf of individuals subject to its jurisdiction who claim to be victims of a violation by a State Party of the provisions of the Convention.

Article 28 allows a State Party to declare that it does not recognize the competence of the Committee against Torture to examine information, investigate or conduct confidential inquiries where the Committee has received reliable information which appears to it to contain well-founded indications that torture is being systematically practiced in the territory of the state party (under article 20 of the Convention).

³ Dates represent acceptance of the amendment. The amendment to articles 17(7) and 18(5) provides for the financing of the Committee from the regular UN budget.

⁴ “s” means that the State is a signatory only.

⁵ The former Yugoslavia had previously ratified CAT on 10 September 1991. Subsequent to dissolution, the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina deposited with the Secretary-General notification of succession, with effect from 6 March 1992.

⁶ The former Yugoslavia had previously ratified CAT on 10 September 1991. Subsequent to dissolution, the Government of Croatia deposited with the Secretary-General notification of succession, with effect from 8 October 1991, the date on which Croatia became an independent state.

⁷ Czechoslovakia had ratified CAT on 7 July 1988. In a letter dated 16 February 1993, the Government of the Czech Republic notified the Secretary-General that it considered itself bound, as of 1 January 1993, the date of dissolution of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic.

⁸ On 3 October 1990 the Federal Republic of Germany notified the Secretary-General that through the accession of the German Democratic Republic to the Federal Republic of Germany, with effect from 3 October 1990, the two German states had united to form one sovereign state, to act in the United Nations under the designation “Germany”. The date of ratification of CAT denotes the date of ratification of the Federal Republic of Germany, in accordance with its notification of 3 October 1990. The German Democratic Republic had ratified CAT on 9 September 1987.

⁹ For the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

¹⁰ Czechoslovakia had ratified CAT on 7 July 1988. In a letter dated 19 May 1993, the Government of Slovakia notified the Secretary-General that it considered itself bound, as of 1 January 1993, the date of dissolution of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic.

¹¹ The former Yugoslavia had previously ratified CAT on 10 September 1991. Slovenia declared its independence from the former Yugoslavia on 25 June 1991. The Government of Slovenia deposited notification of succession with the Secretary-General on 1 July 1992.

¹² Formerly Yugoslavia. The table information contains the original date of ratification by the former Yugoslavia. On 12 March 2001, the Government of Yugoslavia notified the Secretary-General of its intent to succeed to the Convention, as from 27 April 1992. Further, effective 4 February 2003, the State of Yugoslavia changed its name to Serbia and Montenegro. Effective 3 June 2006, the State changed its name again, to Republic of Serbia.

¹³ The former Yugoslavia had previously ratified CAT on 10 September 1991. Subsequent to dissolution, the Government of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia deposited with the Secretary-General notification of succession, with effect from 17 May 1991, the date on which it assumed responsibility for its international relations.

¹⁴ The former Yugoslavia (subsequently Serbia and Montenegro, now known as the Republic of Serbia) had previously ratified CAT and made the declarations under Articles 21 and 22 on 10 September 1991. On 3 June 2006, the Republic of Montenegro became an independent state, and subsequently deposited on 23 October 2006 its notification of succession to the treaties to which Serbia and Montenegro was a party or a signatory, as from 3 June 2006.