

## Status of Ratification

### CERD

Country	Ratification <sup>1</sup>	Entry into force	Article 14 Declaration <sup>2</sup>	Amendment re: Article 8 <sup>3</sup>
Afghanistan	6 Jul 1983	5 Aug 1983		
Albania	11 May 1994	10 Jun 1994		
Algeria	14 Feb 1972	15 Mar 1972	12 Sep 1989	
Andorra	22 Sep 2006	22 Oct 2006	22 Sep 2006	
Angola				
Antigua & Barbuda	25 Oct 1988	24 Nov 1988		
Argentina	2 Oct 1968	4 Jan 1969	5 Feb 2007	
Armenia	23 Jun 1993	23 Jul 1993		
Australia	30 Sep 1975	30 Oct 1975	28 Jan 1993	15 Oct 1993
Austria	9 May 1972	8 Jun 1972	20 Feb 2002	
Azerbaijan	16 Aug 1996	15 Sep 1996	27 Sep 2001	
Bahamas	5 Aug 1975	4 Sep 1975		31 Mar 1994
Bahrain	27 Mar 1990	26 Apr 1990		29 Jun 2000
Bangladesh	11 Jun 1979	11 Jul 1979		

Barbados	8 Nov 1972	8 Dec 1972		
Belarus	8 Apr 1969	8 May 1969		
Belgium	7 Aug 1975	6 Sep 1975	10 Oct 2000	
Belize	14 Nov 2001	14 Dec 2001		5 Mar 2004
Benin	30 Nov 2001	30 Dec 2001		
Bhutan	<i>s: 26 Mar 1973<sup>4</sup></i>			
Bolivia	22 Sep 1970	22 Oct 1970	14 Feb 2006	
Bosnia & Herzegovina	16 Jul 1993	16 Jul 1993 <sup>5</sup>		
Botswana	20 Feb 1974	22 Mar 1974		
Brazil	27 Mar 1968	4 Jan 1969	17 Jun 2002	
Brunei Darussalam				
Bulgaria	8 Aug 1966	4 Jan 1969	12 May 1993	2 Mar 1995
Burkina Faso	18 Jul 1974	17 Aug 1974		9 Aug 1993
Burundi	27 Oct 1977	26 Nov 1977		
Cambodia	28 Nov 1983	28 Dec 1983		
Cameroon	24 Jun 1971	24 Jul 1971		
Canada	14 Oct 1970	13 Nov 1970		8 Feb 1995
Cape Verde	3 Oct 1979	2 Nov 1979		
Central African Republic	16 Mar 1971	15 Apr 1971		

Chad	17 Aug 1977	16 Sep 1977		
Chile	20 Oct 1971	19 Nov 1971	18 May 1994	
China	29 Dec 1981	28 Jan 1982		10 Jul 2002
Colombia	2 Sep 1981	2 Oct 1981		5 Oct 1999
Comoros	27 Sep 2004	27 Oct 2004		
Congo	11 Jul 1988	10 Aug 1988		
Cook Islands				
Costa Rica	16 Jan 1967	4 Jan 1969	8 Jan 1974	13 Dec 2000
Côte d'Ivoire	4 Jan 1973	3 Feb 1973		
Croatia	12 Oct 1992	8 Oct 1991 <sup>6</sup>		
Cuba	15 Feb 1972	16 Mar 1972		21 Nov 1996
Cyprus	21 Apr 1967	4 Jan 1969	30 Dec 1993	28 Sept 1998
Czech Republic	22 Feb 1993	1 Jan 1993 <sup>7</sup>	11 Oct 2000	6 Aug 2002
Democratic People's Republic of Korea				
Democratic Republic of the Congo	21 Apr 1976	21 May 1976		
Denmark	9 Dec 1971	8 Jan 1972	11 Oct 1985	3 Sept 1993
Djibouti	30 Sep 2011	30 Oct 2011		
Dominica				
Dominican Republic	25 May 1983	24 Jun 1983		

Ecuador	22 Sep 1966	4 Jan 1969	18 Mar 1977	26 Sep 2006
Egypt	1 May 1967	4 Jan 1969		
El Salvador	30 Nov 1979	30 Dec 1979		
Equatorial Guinea	8 Oct 2002	8 Nov 2002		
Eritrea	31 Jul 2001	30 Aug 2001		
Estonia	21 Oct 1991	20 Nov 1991	21 Jul 2010	
Ethiopia	23 Jun 1976	23 Jul 1976		
Fiji	11 Jan 1973	10 Feb 1973		
Finland	14 Jul 1970	13 Aug 1970	16 Nov 1994	9 Feb 1994
France	28 Jul 1971	27 Aug 1971	16 Aug 1982	1 Sept 1994
Gabon	29 Feb 1980	30 Mar 1980		
Gambia	29 Dec 1978	28 Jan 1979		
Georgia	2 Jun 1999	2 Jul 1999	30 Jun 2005	
Germany <sup>8</sup>	16 May 1969	15 Jun 1969	30 Aug 2001	8 Oct 1996
Ghana	8 Sep 1966	4 Jan 1969		
Greece	18 Jun 1970	18 Jul 1970		
Grenada	<i>s: 17 Dec 1981<sup>4</sup></i>			
Guatemala	18 Jan 1983	17 Feb 1983		
Guinea	14 Mar 1977	13 Apr 1977		31 May 2000

Guinea-Bissau	1 Nov 2010	1 Dec 2010		
Guyana	15 Feb 1977	17 Mar 1977		
Haiti	19 Dec 1972	18 Jan 1973		
Holy See	1 May 1969	31 May 1969		14 Mar 2002
Honduras	10 Oct 2002	9 Nov 2002		
Hungary	1 May 1967	4 Jan 1969	13 Sep 1989	
Iceland	13 Mar 1967	4 Jan 1969	10 Aug 1981	14 Mar 2001
India	3 Dec 1968	4 Jan 1969		
Indonesia	25 Jun 1999	25 Jul 1999		
Iran (Islamic Republic Of)	29 Aug 1968	4 Jan 1969		8 Nov 2005
Iraq	14 Jan 1970	13 Feb 1970		25 May 2001
Ireland	29 Dec 2000	28 Jan 2001	29 Dec 2000	29 Dec 2000
Israel	3 Jan 1979	2 Feb 1979		
Italy	5 Jan 1976	4 Feb 1976	5 May 1978	
Jamaica	4 Jun 1971	4 Jul 1971		
Japan	15 Dec 1995	14 Jan 1996		
Jordan	30 May 1974	29 Jun 1974		
Kazakhstan	26 Aug 1998	25 Sep 1998	29 May 2008	
Kenya	13 Sep 2001	13 Oct 2001		

Kiribati				
Kuwait	15 Oct 1968	4 Jan 1969		
Kyrgyzstan	5 Sep 1997	5 Oct 1997		
Lao People=s Democratic Republic	22 Feb 1974	24 Mar 1974		
Latvia	14 Apr 1992	14 May 1992		
Lebanon	12 Nov 1971	12 Dec 1971		
Lesotho	4 Nov 1971	4 Dec 1971		
Liberia	5 Nov 1976	5 Dec 1976		16 Sep 2005
Libya <sup>15</sup>	3 Jul 1968	4 Jan 1969		
Liechtenstein	1 Mar 2000	31 Mar 2000	18 Mar 2004	28 Apr 2000
Lithuania	10 Dec 1998	9 Jan 1999		
Luxembourg	1 May 1978	31 May 1978	22 Jul 1996	12 Aug 2004
Madagascar	7 Feb 1969	9 Mar 1969		
Malawi	11 Jun 1996	11 Jul 1996		
Malaysia				
Maldives	24 Apr 1984	24 May 1984		
Mali	16 Jul 1974	15 Aug 1974		
Malta	27 May 1971	26 Jun 1971	16 Dec 1998	
Marshall Islands				

Mauritania	13 Dec 1988	12 Jan 1989		
Mauritius	30 May 1972	29 Jun 1972		
Mexico	20 Feb 1975	22 Mar 1975	15 Mar 2002	16 Sept 1996
Micronesia				
Monaco	27 Sep 1995	27 Oct 1995	6 Nov 2001	
Mongolia	6 Aug 1969	5 Sep 1969		
Morocco	18 Dec 1970	17 Jan 1971	19 Oct 2006	
Mozambique	18 Apr 1983	18 May 1983		
Myanmar				
Namibia	11 Nov 1982	11 Dec 1982		
Nauru	<i>s: 12 Nov 2001<sup>4</sup></i>			
Nepal	30 Jan 1971	1 Mar 1971		
Netherlands	10 Dec 1971	9 Jan 1972	10 Dec 1971	24 Jan 1995
New Zealand	22 Nov 1972	22 Dec 1972		8 Oct 1993
Nicaragua	15 Feb 1978	17 Mar 1978		
Niger	27 Apr 1967	4 Jan 1969		
Nigeria	16 Oct 1967	4 Jan 1969		
Niue				
Norway	6 Aug 1970	5 Sep 1970	23 Jan 1976	6 Oct 1993

Oman	2 Jan 2003	2 Feb 2003		
Pakistan	21 Sep 1966	4 Jan 1969		
Palau	<i>s: 20 Sep 2011</i> <sup>4</sup>			
Panama	16 Aug 1967	4 Jan 1969		
Papua New Guinea	27 Jan 1982	26 Feb 1982		
Paraguay	18 Aug 2003	18 Sep 2003		
Peru	29 Sep 1971	29 Oct 1971	27 Nov 1984	
Philippines	15 Sep 1967	4 Jan 1969		
Poland	5 Dec 1968	4 Jan 1969	1 Dec 1998	23 Aug 2002
Portugal	24 Aug 1982	23 Sep 1982	2 Mar 2000	
Qatar	22 Jul 1976	21 Aug 1976		
Republic of Korea	5 Dec 1978	4 Jan 1979	5 Mar 1997	30 Nov 1993
Republic of Moldova	26 Jan 1993	25 Feb 1993		
Republic of Montenegro <sup>14</sup>	23 Oct 2006 <sup>14</sup>	3 Jun 2006 <sup>14</sup>	23 Oct 2006 <sup>14</sup>	
Republic of Serbia <sup>9</sup>	2 Oct 1967 <sup>9</sup>	4 Jan 1969	27 Jun 2001	
Romania	15 Sep 1970	15 Oct 1970	21 Mar 2003	
Russian Federation	4 Feb 1969	6 Mar 1969	1 Oct 1991	
Rwanda	16 Apr 1975	16 May 1975		
Saint Kitts & Nevis	13 Oct 2006	13 Nov 2006		

Saint Lucia	14 Feb 1990	16 Mar 1990		
Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	9 Nov 1981	9 Dec 1981		
Samoa				
San Marino	12 Mar 2002	11 Apr 2002	22 Feb 2008	
Sao Tome & Principe	<i>s: 6 Sep 2000</i> <sup>4</sup>			
Saudi Arabia	23 Sep 1997	23 Oct 1997		28 Feb 2003
Senegal	19 Apr 1972	19 May 1972	3 Dec 1982	
Seychelles	7 Mar 1978	6 Apr 1978		23 Jul 1993
Sierra Leone	2 Aug 1967	4 Jan 1969		
Singapore				
Slovakia	28 May 1993	28 May 1993 <sup>10</sup>	17 Mar 1995	9 Aug 2006
Slovenia	6 Jul 1992	6 Jul 1992 <sup>11</sup>	10 Nov 2001	
Solomon Islands	17 Mar 1982	16 Apr 1982		
Somalia	26 Aug 1975	25 Sep 1975		
South Africa	10 Dec 1998	9 Jan 1999	10 Dec 1998	
South Sudan <sup>16</sup>				
Spain	13 Sep 1968	4 Jan 1969	13 Jan 1998	
Sri Lanka	18 Feb 1982	20 Mar 1982		
Sudan	21 Mar 1977	20 Apr 1977		

Suriname	15 Mar 1984	14 Apr 1984		
Swaziland	7 Apr 1969	7 May 1969		
Sweden	6 Dec 1971	5 Jan 1972	6 Dec 1971	14 May 1993
Switzerland	29 Nov 1994	29 Dec 1994	19 Jun 2003	16 Dec 1996
Syrian Arab Republic	21 Apr 1969	21 May 1969		25 Feb 1998
Tajikistan	11 Jan 1995	10 Feb 1995		
Thailand	28 Jan 2003	27 Feb 2003		
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	18 Jan 1994	17 Sep 1991 <sup>12</sup>	22 Dec 1999	
Timor-Leste	16 Apr 2003	16 May 2003		
Togo	1 Sep 1972	1 Oct 1972		
Tonga	16 Feb 1972	17 Mar 1972		
Trinidad & Tobago	4 Oct 1973	3 Nov 1973		23 Aug 1993
Tunisia	13 Jan 1967	4 Jan 1969		
Turkey	16 Sep 2002	16 Oct 2002		
Turkmenistan	29 Sep 1994	29 Oct 1994		
Tuvalu				
Uganda	21 Nov 1980	21 Dec 1980		
Ukraine	7 Mar 1969	6 Apr 1969	28 Jul 1992	17 Jun 1994
United Arab Emirates	20 Jun 1974	20 Jul 1974		
United Kingdom of Great Britain & N.				

Ireland	7 Mar 1969	6 Apr 1969		7 Feb 1994
United Republic of Tanzania	27 Oct 1972	26 Nov 1972		
United States of America	21 Oct 1994	20 Nov 1994		
Uruguay	30 Aug 1968	4 Jan 1969	11 Sep 1972	
Uzbekistan	28 Sep 1995	28 Oct 1995		
Vanuatu				
Venezuela	10 Oct 1967	4 Jan 1969	22 Sep 2003	
Viet Nam	9 Jun 1982	9 Jul 1982		
Yemen	18 Oct 1972 <sup>13</sup>	17 Nov 1972		
Zambia	4 Feb 1972	5 Mar 1972		
Zimbabwe	13 May 1991	12 Jun 1991		10 Apr 1997
	<b>175 state parties</b> <b>5 signatories</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>43</b>

<sup>1</sup> ARatification@ includes ratification, accession or succession.

<sup>2</sup> In the case of CERD - Article 14, the State has the option of making a declaration in accordance with the terms of the Convention. Article 14 provides for an individual complaint mechanism. The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination may receive and consider communications from individuals or groups of individuals within its jurisdiction claiming to be victims of a violation by the State Party of any of the rights set forth in the Convention.

<sup>3</sup> Dates represent acceptance of the amendment. The amendment to article 8 provides for the financing of the Committee from the

regular UN budget.

4 As@ means that the State is a signatory only.

5 The former Yugoslavia had previously ratified CERD on 2 October 1967. 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 CERD on 2 October 1967. 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 CERD on 29 December 1966. 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 AGermany@. The dates of ratification of CERD denote 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 CERD on 23 March 1973.

9 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.

10 Czechoslovakia had ratified CERD on 29 December 1966. 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 CERD on 2 October 1967. 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.

- <sup>12</sup> The former Yugoslavia had previously ratified CERD on 2 October 1967. Subsequent to dissolution, the government of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia deposited notification of succession with the Secretary-General, with effect from 17 May 1991, the date on which it assumed responsibility for its international relations.
- <sup>13</sup> On 19 May 1990 the Yemen Arab Republic and the People=s Democratic Republic of Yemen informed the Secretary-General that the Republics would merge into a single State called the Republic of Yemen on 22 May 1990. As concerns the treaties concluded prior to their union by the Yemen Arab Republic or the People=s Democratic Republic of Yemen, the Republic of Yemen is a party as from the date when one of these States first became a party to those treaties. Prior to unification, the Yemen Arab Republic had ratified CERD on 6 April 1989 and the People=s Democratic Republic of Yemen had ratified CERD on 18 October 1972.
- <sup>14</sup> The former Yugoslavia (subsequently Serbia and Montenegro, now known as the Republic of Serbia) had previously ratified CERD on 2 October 1967, and made the declaration under Article 14 on 27 June 2001. 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.
- <sup>15</sup> Formerly Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. In August 2011, the Permanent Mission of Libya notified the Secretary-General of a Declaration by the National Transitional Council of 3 August changing the official name of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to "Libya" and changing Libya's national flag.
- <sup>16</sup> The Republic of South Sudan formally seceded from Sudan on 9 July 2011, as a result of an internally monitored referendum held in January 2011, and was admitted as a U.N. member state by the General Assembly on 14 July 2011.