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**International Instruments**

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| **International Instrument** | Signature (Yes/No)  Date  Ratification  Date |
| **UN**  United Nations | Member since 24-Oct-1945 |
| **CESCR**  International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights | Signature: 19-Feb-1986  Ratification: 08-Aug-1986 |
| **CCPR**  International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights | Signature: 19-Feb-1986  Ratification: 08-Aug-1986 |
| **CCPR-OP1**  Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights | Ratification: 08-Aug-1986 |
| **CCPR-OP2-DP**  Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights | Signature: 20-Dec-2006  Ratification: 02-Sept-2008 |
| **CERD**  International Covenant on All Forms of Racial Discrimination | Signature: 13-Jul-1967  Ratification: 02-Oct-1968 |
| **CEDAW**  Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women | Signature: 17-Jul-1980  Ratification: 15-Jul-1985 |
| **CEDAW-OP**  Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women | Signature: 28-Feb-2000  Ratification: 20-Mar-2007 |
| **CAT**  Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment | Signature: 04-Feb-1985  Ratification: 24-Sept-1986 |
| **CAT-OP**  Optional Protocol of the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment | Signature: 30-Apr-2003  Ratification: 15-Nov-2004 |
| **CRC**  Convention on the Rights of the Child | Signature: 29-Jun-1990  Ratification: 04-Dec-1990 |
| **CRC-OP-AC**  Optional Protocol on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict | Signature: 15-Jun-2000  Ratification: 10-Sept-2002 |
| **CRC-OP-SC**  Optional Protocol on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography | Signature: 01-Apr-2002  Ratification: 25-Sept-2003 |
| **CMW**  International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families | Signature: 10-Aug-2004  Ratification: 23-Feb-2007 |
| **CRPD**  Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities | Signature: 30-Mar-2007  Ratification: 02-Sept-2008 |
| **UPR – First Cycle**  Universal Periodic Review  <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/ARSession1.aspx> | 16-April-2008 |
| **UPR – Second Cycle**  Universal Periodic Review  <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/ARSession14.aspx> | 22-Oct-2012 |

**International Criminal Court** *Rome Statute*

* Signature: 08-Jan-1999
* Ratification: 08-Feb-2001

**Regional Membership**

**USAN**

* Member
* Signature: 08-Dec-2004
* The Union of South American Nations is a group of twelve South American countries. The goal is to create a union modeled after the European Union between the nations, with a common currency, passport and parliament.
* <http://www.unasursg.org/en>

**Mercosul**

* Member
* Signature: 26-Mar-1991
* The Southern Cone Common Market (Mercosul) is a group of South American countries. It was originally used to promote free trade, but now it is a full customs union and trading bloc.
* <http://www.mercosul.gov.br/#navigation>