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**International Instruments**

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| **International Instrument** | Signature (Yes/No)DateRatificationDate |
| **UN** United Nations | Member since 21 September 1971  |
| **CESCR**International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights  | Accession27 September 2007  |
| **CCPR**International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights | Accession20 September 2006 |
| **CCPR-OP1**Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights  | Not Accepted |
| **CCPR-OP2-DP**Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights | Not Signed or Ratified  |
| **CERD**International Covenant on All Forms of Racial Discrimination | Accession27 March 1990 |
| **CEDAW**Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women  | Accession18 June 2002  |
| **CEDAW-OP**Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women | Not Accepted |
| **CAT**Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment | Accession6 March 1998  |
| **CAT-OP**Optional Protocol of the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment | Not Signed or Ratified |
| **CRC**Convention on the Rights of the Child | Accession13 February 1992  |
| **CRC-OP-AC**Optional Protocol on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict | Accession21 September 2004 |
| **CRC-OP-SC**Optional Protocol on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography | Accession21 September 2004  |
| **CMW**International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families | Not Signed or Ratified  |
| **CRPD**Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities | Signed 25 June 2007Ratified 22 September 2011  |
| **UPR – First Cycle**Universal Periodic Review<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/BHSession1.aspx>  | 7 April 2008 |
| **UPR – Second Cycle**Universal Periodic Review<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/BHSession13.aspx>  | 21 May 2012 |

**International Criminal Court**

*Rome Statute*

* Not Signed
* The Coalition for the International Criminal Court is a network of over 2,000 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) advocating for a fair, effective and independent International Criminal Court (ICC). ([http://www.iccnow.org/)](http://www.iccnow.org/%29)

**Organisation of Islamic Cooperation**

* Member
* Joined in 1970
* The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation has 57 member states and was founded in 1969. It is composed of the Islamic Summit, the Council of Foreign Ministers and the General Secretariat. The Organization is “the collective voice of the Muslim world and ensuring to safeguard and protect the interests of the Muslim world in the spirit of promoting international peace and harmony among various people of the world.” (<http://www.oic-oci.org/oicv3/home/?lan=en)>

**Gulf Cooperation Council**

* Member
* Established 25 May 1981
* The Gulf Cooperation Council is a regional union of all the Arab States in the Persian Gulf, except for Iraq. The political and economic alliance is aimed at strengthening tied between the countries and encouraging progress in industry, mining and agriculture. It also looks to create a common currency and a unified military.

**Arab League**

* Member
* Joined 11 September 1971
* The Arab League is a regional organization of Arab States in and around North Africa and Arabia. The goal of the union is to encourage collaboration between Arab states and protect their sovereignty and independence. It develops social and political programmes through institutions such as the the Arab League Education, Cultural and Scientific Organization to promote the interests of the Arab World.