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**International Instruments**

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| **International Instrument** | Signature (Yes/No)DateRatificationDate |
| **UN** United Nations | Member sinceNovember 12, 1956 |
| **CESCR**International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights  | Ratified March 18, 1986 |
| **CCPR**International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights | Ratified March 18, 1986 |
| **CCPR-OP1**Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights  | n/a |
| **CCPR-OP2-DP**Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights | n/a |
| **CERD**International Covenant on All Forms of Racial Discrimination | Ratified March 21, 1977 |
| **CEDAW**Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women  | n/a |
| **CEDAW-OP**Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women | n/a |
| **CAT**Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment | Signed June 4, 1986 |
| **CAT-OP**Optional Protocol of the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment | n/a |
| **CRC**Convention on the Rights of the Child | Signed July 24, 1990Ratified August 3, 1990 |
| **CRC-OP-AC**Optional Protocol on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict | Signed May 9, 2002Ratified July 26, 2005 |
| **CRC-OP-SC**Optional Protocol on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography | Ratified November 2, 2004 |
| **CMW**International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families | n/a |
| **CRPD**Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities | Signed March 30, 2007Ratified April 24, 2009 |
| **UPR – First Cycle**Universal Periodic Reviewhttp://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/SDSession11.aspx | May 10, 2011 |
| **UPR – Second Cycle**Universal Periodic Review | n/a |

**International Criminal Court** *Rome Statute*

* Not signed

**Regional Membership**

* Member of African Union (formerly the Organization of African Unity)
* Date: May 25, 1963
* The African Union is a continental union consisting of 54 countries in Africa. The AU was established on May 26, 2001 in Addis Ababa and launched on July 9, 2002 in South Africa, with the aim of replacing the Organization of African Unity. The most important decisions of the AU are made by the Assembly of the African Union, a semi-annual meeting of the heads of state and government of its member states. The AU’s secretariat, the African Union Commission, is based in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
* Member of Arab League
* Date: January 19, 1956
* The Arab League was founded in Cairo in 1945 by Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Transjordan (now Jordan), and Yemen. There was a continual increase in membership during the second half of the 20th century, with additional 15 Arab states and 4 observers (Eritrea, Brazil, Venezuela, India) being admitted. There are currently 22 members. The headquarters of the Arab League is in Cairo.