Tables for UN Compilation on Republic of Korea

I. Scope of international obligations¹

A. International human rights treaties²

ICERD (1978) ICESCR (1990) ICCPR (1990) CEDAW (1984) CAT (1995) CRC (1991) OP-CRC-AC (2004) OP-CRC-SC (2004)	ICCPR-OP 2 OP-CAT ICRMW ICPPED
ICCPR (1990) CEDAW (1984) CAT (1995) CRC (1991) OP-CRC-AC (2004)	ICRMW
CEDAW (1984) CAT (1995) CRC (1991) OP-CRC-AC (2004)	
CAT (1995) CRC (1991) OP-CRC-AC (2004)	ICPPED
CRC (1991) OP-CRC-AC (2004)	
OP-CRC-AC (2004)	
OP CPC SC (2004)	
OI - CIC - SC (2004)	
CRPD (2008)	
ICERD, art. 14 (1997)	OP-ICESCR
ICCPR, art. 41 (1990)	OP-CRC-IC
ICCPR-OP 1 (1990)	ICRMW
OP-CEDAW, art. 8 (2006)	OP-CRPD
CAT, arts. 20 (1995), 21 and 22 (2007)	ICPPED
Current Status	
	CCPR, art. 41 (1990) CCPR-OP 1 (1990) DP-CEDAW, art. 8 (2006) CAT, arts. 20 (1995), 21 and

CEDAW (Reservation, art. 16(1)(g)) CRC (Reservation, art. 40 (2)(b)(v))

OP-CRC-AC (Declaration, art. 3(2), minimum age of voluntary military recruitment at 18 years)

OP-CRC-SC (Declaration, art. 3(1)(a)(ii))

During the period under review, the Republic of Korea withdrew reservations to CRC (art. 21(a), 2017) and to CRPD (art. 25(e), 2021).

	Ratified	Not ratified
Ratification, accession or succession	Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide	Convention against Discrimination in Education
	Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	Protocol III additional to the Geneva Conventions ⁴
	Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and Additional Protocols, except the additional Protocol III ⁵	1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness
	Conventions on refugees and stateless persons, except the 1961 Convention ⁶	ILO fundamental Convention no 105 and Protocol to Convention no 0297
	ILO fundamental Conventions except no 105 and Protocol to Convention no. 029 ⁸	ILO Conventions Nos. 169, 189 and 1909
	Palermo Protocol ¹⁰	

B. Other main relevant international instruments

During the period under review, the Republic of Korea became a party to ILO fundamental Conventions nos 29, 87 and 98.

II. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms and bodies

A. Cooperation with treaty bodies¹¹

Treaty body	Concluding observations included in previous review	Latest report submitted since previous review	Latest concluding observations	Reporting status
CERD	August 2012	2017/2022	December 2018	Twentieth to twenty- second reports pending consideration.
CESCR		2016	October 2017	Fifth report overdue since 2022.
HR Committee	November 2015	2020		Fifth report pending consideration.
CEDAW		2015/2022	February 2018	Ninth report pending consideration.
CAT	May 2017	2021		Sixth report pending consideration.

Reporting status

CRC		2017	September 2019	Seventh report due in 2024.
CRPD	September 2014	2019	September 2022	Fourth to sixth reports due in 2031.

B. Cooperation with special procedures¹²

	Status during the Period Under Review
Standing invitations	Yes (2008)
Visits undertaken during the period under review	Housing (2018)
	Privacy (2019)
	Truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence (2022)
Visits agreed to in principle during the period under review	Arbitrary detention
Visits requested during the period under review	Discrimination against women
	International Solidarity
	Independence of Judges
Responses to letters of allegation and urgent appeal	During the period under review 26 communications were sent. The Government replied to 21 communications.

C. Status of national human rights institution¹³

National human rights institution	Status during previous cycle	Status during present cycle ¹⁴
National Human Rights Commission	A(2016)	A(2021)

Notes

¹ Unless indicated otherwise, the status of ratification of instruments listed in the table may be found on the official website of the United Nations Treaty Collection database, Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat, http://treaties.un.org/. Please also refer to the United Nations compilation on Republic of Korea from the previous cycle (A/HRC/WG.6/KOR/2).

² The following abbreviations have been used in the universal periodic review document:

ICERD	International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of
	Racial Discrimination;
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural
	Rights;
OP-ICESCR	Optional Protocol to ICESCR;
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;

ICCPR-OP 1	Optional Protocol to ICCPR;
ICCPR-OP 2	Second Optional Protocol to ICCPR, aiming at the abolition of
	the death penalty;
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination
	against Women;
OP-CEDAW	Optional Protocol to CEDAW;
CAT	Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or
	Degrading Treatment or Punishment;
OP-CAT	Optional Protocol to CAT;
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child;
OP-CRC-AC	Optional Protocol to CRC on the involvement of children in
	armed conflict;
OP-CRC-SC	Optional Protocol to CRC on the sale of children, child
	prostitution and child pornography;
OP-CRC-IC	Optional Protocol to CRC on a communications procedure;
ICRMW	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All
	Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families;
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;
OP-CRPD	Optional Protocol to CRPD;
ICPPED	International Convention for the Protection of All Persons
	from Enforced Disappearance.

- ³ Individual complaints: ICCPR-OP 1, art. 1; OP-CEDAW, art. 1; OP-CRPD, art. 1; OP-ICESCR, art. 1; OP-CRC-IC, art. 5; ICERD, art. 14; CAT, art. 22; ICRMW, art. 77; and ICPPED, art. 31. Inquiry procedure: OP-CEDAW, art. 8; CAT, art. 20; ICPPED, art. 33; OP-CRPD, art. 6; OP-ICESCR, art. 11; and OP-CRC-IC, art. 13. Inter-State complaints: ICCPR, art. 41; ICERD, art. 11; ICRMW, art. 76; ICPPED, art. 32; CAT, art. 21; OP-ICESCR, art. 10; and OP-CRC-IC, art. 12. Urgent action: ICPPED, art. 30.
- ⁴ Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Adoption of an Additional Distinctive Emblem (Protocol III). For the official status of ratifications, see at https://ihldatabases.icrc.org/applic/ihl/ihl.nsf/vwTreaties1949.xsp.
- ⁵ Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field (First Convention); Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of Wounded, Sick and Shipwrecked Members of Armed Forces at Sea (Second Convention); Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War (Third Convention); Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War (Fourth Convention);Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I); Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of Non-International Armed Conflicts (Protocol II); Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Adoption of an Additional Distinctive Emblem (Protocol III).For the official status of ratifications, see Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, at https://www.dfae.admin.ch/eda/fr/dfae/politique-exterieure/droit-international-public/traitesinternationaux/depositaire/protection-des-victimes-de-la-guerre.html
- ⁶ 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol, 1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons, and 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness.
- ⁷ International Labour Organization Convention No. 105 concerning the Abolition of Forced Labour and Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention No 029.
- ⁸ International Labour Organization Convention No. 29 concerning Forced or Compulsory Labour; Convention No. 105 concerning the Abolition of Forced Labour; Convention No. 87 concerning Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise; Convention No. 98 concerning the Application of the Principles of the Right to Organise and to Bargain Collectively; Convention No. 100 concerning Equal Remuneration for Men and Women Workers for Work of Equal Value; Convention No. 111 concerning Discrimination in Respect of Employment and Occupation; Convention No. 138 concerning Minimum Age for Admission to Employment; Convention No. 182 concerning the Prohibition and Immediate Action for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour, Convention No.155 concerning Occupational Safety and Health Convention,

Convention No. 187 concerning Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, and Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention no 029.

- ⁹ International Labour Organization Convention No. 169 concerning Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, Convention No. 189 concerning Domestic Workers and Convention No. 190 concerning Violence and Harassment.
- ¹⁰ Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.
- ¹¹ The following abbreviations have been used in the present document:

CERD	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;
CESCR	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;
HR Committee	Human Rights Committee;
CEDAW	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against
	Women;
CAT	Committee against Torture;
CRC	Committee on the Rights of the Child;
CRPD	Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

- ¹² For the titles of special procedure mandate holders see: https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/about/abbreviations.
- ¹³ According to article 5 of the rules of procedure of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), the classifications for accreditation used by the Sub-Committee are: A: voting member (fully in compliance with each of the Paris Principles); B: non-voting member (not fully in compliance with each of the Paris Principles or insufficient information provided to make a determination); and C: no status (not in compliance with the Paris Principles).
- ¹⁴ The list of national human rights institutions with accreditation status granted by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), accessed at: https://ganhri.org/wpcontent/uploads/2022/02/StatusAccreditationChartNHRIs_28.12.21.pdf