

Tables for UN Compilation on Ghana

I. Scope of international obligations¹

A. International human rights treaties²

	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Action after review</i>	<i>Not ratified/not accepted</i>
<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	ICERD (1966)	OP-CAT (2016)	ICCPR-OP 2
	ICESCR (2000)	OP-CRC-AC (2014)	
	ICCPR (2000)		
	CEDAW (1986)		
	CAT (2000)		
	OP-CAT (Signature only, 2006)		
	CRPD (2012)		
	CRC (1990)		
	OP-CRC-AC (Signature only, 2003)		
	OP-CRC-SC (Signature only, 2003)		
<i>Complaints procedures, inquiries and urgent action³</i>	ICRMW (2000)		
	ICPPED (Signature only, 2007)		
	ICCPR, art. 41 (2000)	OP-CRC-IC (2013)	ICERD, art. 14
	ICCPR-OP 1 (2000)		ICRMW, arts. 76-77
	CAT, art. 20 (2000)		
	CAT, art.22 (2009)		
	OP-ICESCR (Signature only, 2009)		
OP-CEDAW, art. 8 (2011)			
OP-CRPD, art. 6 (2012)			
<i>Reservations and / or declarations</i>	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Action after review</i>	<i>Current Status</i>
	–	OP-CRC-AC (Declaration: art. 3 (2), 2014)	OP-CRC-AC (Declaration: art. 3 (2))
	CAT (Declaration, art.30 (1), 2000)	–	CAT (Declaration, art.30(1))

CEDAW	–	2012	October. 2014	Eighth periodic report due in 2018
CAT	May 2011	–	–	Second periodic report overdue since 2015
CRC	–	2012	June 2015	Combined 6 th to 7 th reports due in 2020
CRPD	–	–	–	Initial report overdue since 2014
ICRMW	–	2014	September 2014	Second periodic report due in 2019

Responses to specific follow-up requests from concluding observations

<i>Treaty body</i>	<i>Due in</i>	<i>Subject matter</i>	<i>Submitted in</i>
HR Committee	2017	Non-discrimination and harmful traditional practices, persons with disabilities and psychiatric treatment, conditions of detention and violence among inmates. ¹¹	–
CEDAW	2016	To close all remaining “witch camps”, prevent and systematically punish all forms of violence against women and girls. ¹²	– ¹³
CAT	2012	Fundamental legal safeguards for persons detained by the police, alternative forms of treatment for mental health patients, combat harmful traditional practices, including FGM. ¹⁴	– ¹⁵
ICRMW	2016	Filing of complaints and obtaining effective redress in the courts by migrant workers and their families, administrative detention, transfer of remittances for and to vote by Ghanaian migrant workers abroad, enter into agreements with the countries of employment and transit, enforcement of	

the Human Trafficking
Act.¹⁶

Views		
Treaty body	Number of views	Status
HR Committee	1 ¹⁷	–

B. Cooperation with special procedures¹⁸

	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Current status</i>
<i>Standing invitations</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Visits undertaken</i>	<i>Health (2011)</i> <i>Violence against women (2007)</i>	<i>Business and transnational corporations (2013)</i> <i>Torture (2013, follow-up 2015)</i> <i>Slavery (2013)</i>
<i>Visits agreed to in principle</i>	–	–
<i>Visits requested</i>	<i>Housing</i>	<i>Foreign debt (2018)</i> <i>Mercenaries (2017)</i> <i>Sale of Children (2016)</i> <i>Discrimination against women in law and in practice</i> <i>Poverty</i> <i>Migrants</i>
<i>Responses to letters of allegations and urgent appeal</i>		During the period under review, 2 communications were sent. The Government replied to 1 communication.
<i>Follow up reports and missions</i>		Torture

C. Status of national human rights institutions¹⁹

<i>National human rights institution</i>	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Status during present cycle²⁰</i>
Yes	A	A

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 Ghana from the previous cycle (A/HRC/WG.6/14/GHA/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; 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 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). For the official status of ratifications, see Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, at <https://www.eda.admin.ch/eda/fr/dfae/politique-exterieure/droit-international-public/traites-internationaux/depositaire/protection-des-victimes-de-la-guerre.html>

⁵ 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.eda.admin.ch/eda/fr/dfae/politique-exterieure/droit-international-public/traites-internationaux/depositaire/protection-des-victimes-de-la-guerre.html>.

⁶ Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

⁷ 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

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- ⁸ 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.
- ⁹ 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.
- ¹⁰ ILO Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169) and Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189).
- ¹¹ CCPR/C/GHA/CO/1, para. 46.
- ¹² CEDAW/C/GHA/CO/6-7, para. 50.
- ¹³ Letter sent to the Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations Office at Geneva, dated 26 April 2017 available at:
http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=INT%2fCEDAW%2fFUL%2fGHA%2f27298&Lang=en
- ¹⁴ CAT/C/GHA/CO/1/1, para. 31.
- ¹⁵ Letter sent to the Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations Office at Geneva, dated 1 June 2012 available at:
http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=INT%2fCAT%2fUR%2fGHA%2f12338&Lang=en.
- ¹⁶ CMW/C/GHA/CO/1, para. 50.
- ¹⁷ CCPR/C/110/D/2177/2012.
- ¹⁸ For the titles of special procedure mandate holders see:
<https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/about/abbreviations>
- ¹⁹ 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).
- ²⁰ The list of national human rights institutions with accreditation status granted by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), accessed at:
http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/NHRI/Chart_Status_NIs.pdf.
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