

# Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

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#### PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND ANNOTATIONS

# **Note by the Secretary-General**

- 1. The twenty-seventh session of the Committee against Torture will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva (Palais Wilson) from 12 to 23 November 2001. The first meeting of the session will be convened on Monday, 12 November 2001 at 10 a.m.
- 2. In accordance with rule 6 of the rules of procedure, the Secretary-General has prepared, in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee, the attached provisional agenda for the twenty-seventh session. Annotations to the provisional agenda are also attached.
- 3. Pursuant to rule 31 of the rules of procedure, the meetings of the Committee will be held in public unless the Committee decides otherwise or it appears from the relevant provisions of the Convention that the meetings should be held in private.
- 4. The attention of the States parties is drawn, in particular, to the annotations to item 4, which contain the tentative timetable for the consideration of reports at the twenty-seventh session. In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, representatives of States parties are invited to attend the meetings of the Committee when their reports are examined.

# PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Adoption of the agenda.
- 2. Organizational and other matters.
- 3. Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention.
- 4. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention.
- 5. Consideration of information under article 20 of the Convention.
- 6. Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention.

#### **ANNOTATIONS**

# 1. Adoption of the agenda

Under rule 8 of the rules of procedure, the first item on the agenda of any session shall be the adoption of the agenda, except for the election of officers when required under rule 15. In accordance with rule 9, during a session the Committee may revise the agenda and may, as appropriate, defer or delete items; only urgent and important items may be added to the agenda.

# 2. Organizational and other matters

Under this item, the Committee may wish to consider its programme of work for the session, as well as any other matter concerning the modalities of discharging its functions under the Convention

# 3. Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention

It may be recalled that, in accordance with rule 65 of its rules of procedure and the Committee's decisions, the Secretary-General sends reminders automatically to those States parties whose reports are overdue. In this respect, a document outlining their reporting history (HRI/GEN/4/Rev.1) has been sent to all States parties to remind them of their reporting obligations. In addition, the Committee includes information on non-compliance by States parties with their reporting obligations in its annual reports to the States parties and to the General Assembly.

The situation with regard to overdue reports as at 15 August 2001 is as follows:

State party	Date on which the report was due		
<u>Initial reports</u>			
Uganda	25 June 1988		
Togo	17 December 1988		
Guyana	17 June 1989		
Guinea	8 November 1990		
Somalia	22 February 1991		
Yemen	4 December 1992		
Bosnia and Herzegovina	5 March 1993		
Latvia	13 May 1993		
Seychelles	3 June 1993		
Cape Verde	3 July 1993		
Cambodia	13 November 1993		
Burundi	19 March 1994		
Antigua and Barbuda	17 August 1994		
Ethiopia	12 April 1995		
Albania	9 June 1995		
Chad	9 July 1995		
Tajikistan	9 February 1996		
Republic of Moldova	27 December 1996		

# State party

# Date on which the report was due

# <u>Initial reports</u> (continued)

Côte d'Ivoire 16 January 1997 1 March 1997 Lithuania Democratic Republic of the Congo 16 April 1997 Malawi 10 July 1997 3 January 1998 Honduras 22 March 1998 Kenya Bahrain 4 April 1999 Bangladesh 3 November 1999 Niger 3 November 1999 South Africa 8 January 2000 Burkina Faso 2 February 2000 27 March 2000 Mali Belgium 25 July 2000 Turkmenistan 25 July 2000 29 July 2000 Japan Mozambique 14 October 2000 9 February 2001 Oatar

# Second periodic reports

Afghanistan 25 June 1992 Belize 25 June 1992 **Philippines** 25 June 1992 Uganda 25 June 1992 Togo 17 December 1992 Guyana 17 June 1993 Turkey 31 August 1993 Brazil 27 October 1994 Guinea 8 November 1994 Somalia 22 February 1995 16 January 1996 Romania Nepal 12 June 1996 Yugoslavia 9 October 1996 Estonia 19 November 1996 Yemen 4 December 1996 Jordan 12 December 1996 4 January 1997 Monaco Bosnia and Herzegovina 5 March 1997 10 April 1997 Benin 13 May 1997 Latvia 3 June 1997 Seychelles 3 July 1997 Cape Verde Cambodia 13 November 1997 19 March 1998 Burundi

# State party

# Date on which the report was due

# Second periodic reports (continued)

Slovakia 27 May 1998 14 August 1998 Slovenia 17 August 1998 Antigua and Barbuda 10 December 1998 Costa Rica Sri Lanka 1 February 1999 Ethiopia 12 April 1999 Albania 9 June 1999 United States of America 19 November 1999 The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 11 December 1999 Namibia 27 December 1999 Republic of Korea 7 February 2000 Tajikistan 9 February 2000 15 June 2000 Cuba 8 July 2000 Chad Republic of Moldova 27 December 2000 Côte d'Ivoire 16 January 2001 16 April 2001 Democratic Republic of the Congo El Salvador 16 July 2001 Lithuania 1 March 2001 Kuwait 6 April 2001 Malawi 10 July 2001

# Third periodic reports

Afghanistan Belize Bulgaria	25 June 1996 25 June 1996 25 June 1996
Cameroon	25 June 1996
France	25 June 1996
Philippines	25 June 1996
Senegal	25 June 1996
Uganda	25 June 1996
Uruguay	25 June 1996
Austria	27 August 1996
Togo	17 December 1996
Colombia	6 January 1997
Ecuador	28 April 1997
Guyana	17 June 1997
Turkey	31 August 1997
Tunisia	22 October 1997
Chile	29 October 1997
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	14 June 1998
Australia	6 September 1998*

<sup>\*</sup> Requested by the Committee for November 2004.

# State party

# Date on which the report was due

# Third periodic reports (continued)

Algeria 11 October 1998 Brazil 27 October 1998 Guinea 8 November 1998 New Zealand 8 January 1999 22 February 1999 Somalia 12 October 1999 Malta Germany 30 October 1999 Liechtenstein 1 December 1999 Romania 16 January 2000 12 June 2000 Nepal 16 August 2000 Cyprus Venezuela 27 August 2000 7 October 2000 Croatia Yugoslavia 9 October 2000 Israel 1 November 2000 Estonia 19 November 2000 Yemen 4 December 2000 Jordan 12 December 2000 Monaco 4 January 2001 Bosnia and Herzegovina 5 March 2001 Benin 10 April 2001 13 May 2001 Latvia Seychelles 3 June 2001 Cape Verde 3 July 2001

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Argentina	25 June 2000
Belarus	25 June 2000
Belize	25 June 2000
Bulgaria	25 June 2000
Cameroon	25 June 2000
France	25 June 2000
Hungary	25 June 2000
Mexico	25 June 2000
Philippines	25 June 2000
Russian Federation	25 June 2000
Senegal	25 June 2000
Switzerland	25 June 2000
Uganda	25 June 2000
Uruguay	25 June 2000
Canada	23 July 2000
Austria	27 August 2000
Panama	22 September 2000
Luxembourg	28 October 2000

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State party Date on which the report was due

Fourth periodic reports (continued)

 Togo
 17 December 2000

 Colombia
 6 January 2001

 Ecuador
 28 April 2001

 Guyana
 17 June 2001

 Peru
 5 August 2001

# 4. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention

A tentative timetable for the consideration of reports at the twenty-seventh session, prepared by the Secretary-General and subject to approval by the Committee, is given below:

Tuesday, 13 November 2001

10 a.m. Saudi Arabia: initial report CAT/C/42/Add.2

Wednesday, 14 November 2001

10 a.m. Ukraine: fourth periodic report CAT/C/55/Add.1

3 p.m. Saudi Arabia: replies

Thursday, 15 November 2001

10 a.m. Benin: initial report CAT/C/21/Add.3

3 p.m. Ukraine: replies

Friday, 16 November 2001

10 a.m. Indonesia: initial report CAT/C/47/Add.3

3 p.m. Benin: replies

Monday, 19 November 2001

10 a.m. Zambia: initial report CAT/C/47/Add.2

3 p.m. Indonesia: replies

# Tuesday, 20 November 2001

10 a.m. Israel: third periodic report CAT/C/54/Add.1

3 p.m. Saudi Arabia: conclusions and recommendations

3.30 p.m. Zambia: replies

# Wednesday, 21 November 2001

3 p.m. Ukraine: conclusions and recommendations

3.30 p.m. Israel: replies

# Thursday, 22 November 2001

3 p.m. Benin: conclusions and recommendations

3.30 p.m. Indonesia: conclusions and recommendations

# Friday, 23 November 2001

10 a.m. Zambia: conclusions and recommendations

10.30 a.m. Israel: conclusions and recommendations

### 5. Consideration of information under article 20 of the Convention

In accordance with the provisions of chapter XVII of its rules of procedure, the Committee will consider under this item information which is, or appears to be, submitted for its consideration under article 20 of the Convention.

In accordance with the provisions of article 20, paragraph 5, of the Convention and rules 72 and 73 of the rules of procedure, all documents and proceedings of the Committee relating to its functions under article 20 of the Convention shall be confidential and all the meetings concerning its proceedings under that article shall be closed.

## 6. Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention

In accordance with the provisions of chapter XIX of its rules of procedure, the Committee will consider under this item communications which are, or appear to be, submitted to it under article 22 of the Convention.

In accordance with article 22, paragraph 6, of the Convention and rule 101, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure, meetings of the Committee or its subsidiary bodies during which communications under article 22 of the Convention are examined shall be closed.

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