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**Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under  
article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms  
of Discrimination against Women**

**Status of submission of reports by States parties under  
article 18 of the Convention**

**Report of the Secretary-General**

1. Rule 49 of the rules of procedure of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women provides that, at each session, the Secretary-General shall notify the Committee of the non-receipt of any report that States parties are required to submit under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women one year after the entry into force of the Convention for each State concerned, and thereafter at least every four years, and further whenever the Committee so requests.
2. Annex I to the present report contains a list of the States parties and their reporting status as at 27 August 2008. In some cases, the Committee has modified the date of submission calculated in accordance with article 18, paragraph 1, of the Convention, and the modified date of submission is reflected in the report.
3. Annex II contains a list of States parties whose reports were five years or more overdue as at 27 August 2008.

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\* CEDAW/C/2008/III/1.



## Annex I

**States parties whose reports are due and have not yet been submitted to the Committee as at 27 August 2008**

| <i>State party</i>                 | <i>Date due</i>  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Afghanistan</b>                 |                  |
| Initial report                     | 4 April 2004     |
| Second periodic report             | 4 April 2008     |
| <b>Albania</b>                     |                  |
| Third periodic report              | 10 June 2003     |
| Fourth periodic report             | 10 June 2007     |
| <b>Algeria</b>                     |                  |
| Third and fourth periodic report   | 21 June 2009     |
| <b>Andorra</b>                     |                  |
| Second periodic report             | 14 February 2002 |
| Third periodic report              | 14 February 2006 |
| <b>Angola</b>                      |                  |
| Sixth periodic report              | 17 October 2007  |
| <b>Antigua and Barbuda</b>         |                  |
| Fourth periodic report             | 31 August 2002   |
| Fifth periodic report              | 31 August 2006   |
| <b>Australia</b>                   |                  |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report  | 27 August 2008   |
| <b>Austria</b>                     |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report | 30 April 2011    |
| <b>Azerbaijan</b>                  |                  |
| Fourth periodic report             | 9 August 2008    |
| <b>Bahamas<sup>1</sup></b>         |                  |
| Initial report                     | 5 November 1994  |
| Second periodic report             | 5 November 1998  |
| Third periodic report              | 5 November 2002  |

| <i>State party</i>               | <i>Date due</i>   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Fourth periodic report           | 5 November 2006   |
| <b>Bangladesh</b>                |                   |
| Sixth periodic report            | 6 December 2005   |
| <b>Barbados</b>                  |                   |
| Fifth periodic report            | 3 September 1999  |
| Sixth periodic report            | 3 September 2003  |
| Seventh periodic report          | 3 September 2007  |
| <b>Belarus</b>                   |                   |
| Seventh periodic report          | 3 September 2006  |
| <b>Belize</b>                    |                   |
| Fifth periodic report            | 15 June 2007      |
| <b>Benin</b>                     |                   |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report | 11 April 2009     |
| <b>Bolivia</b>                   |                   |
| Fifth and sixth periodic report  | 8 July 2011       |
| <b>Bosnia and Herzegovina</b>    |                   |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report | 1 October 2010    |
| <b>Botswana<sup>2</sup></b>      |                   |
| Initial report                   | 12 September 1997 |
| Second periodic report           | 12 September 2001 |
| Third periodic report            | 12 September 2005 |
| <b>Brunei Darussalam</b>         |                   |
| Initial report                   | 23 June 2007      |
| <b>Bulgaria<sup>2</sup></b>      |                   |
| Fourth periodic report           | 10 March 1995     |
| Fifth periodic report            | 10 March 1999     |
| Sixth periodic report            | 10 March 2003     |
| Seventh periodic report          | 10 March 2007     |

| <i>State party</i>                          | <i>Date due</i>   |
|---|-------------------|
| <b>Cambodia</b>                             |                   |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report            | 14 November 2009  |
| <b>Cameroon</b>                             |                   |
| Fourth periodic report                      | 22 September 2007 |
| <b>Cape Verde</b>                           |                   |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report          | 3 September 2010  |
| <b>Central African Republic<sup>1</sup></b> |                   |
| Initial report                              | 21 July 1992      |
| Second periodic report                      | 21 July 1996      |
| Third periodic report                       | 21 July 2000      |
| Fourth periodic report                      | 21 July 2004      |
| Fifth periodic report                       | 21 July 2008      |
| <b>Chad<sup>3</sup></b>                     |                   |
| Initial report                              | 9 July 1996       |
| Second periodic report                      | 9 July 2000       |
| Third periodic report                       | 9 July 2004       |
| <b>Chile</b>                                |                   |
| Fifth and sixth periodic report             | 6 January 2011    |
| <b>China</b>                                |                   |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report          | 3 September 2010  |
| <b>Colombia</b>                             |                   |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report          | 18 February 2011  |
| <b>Comoros<sup>3</sup></b>                  |                   |
| Initial report                              | 30 November 1995  |
| Second periodic report                      | 30 November 1999  |
| Third periodic report                       | 30 November 2003  |
| Fourth periodic report                      | 30 November 2007  |

| <i>State party</i>                           | <i>Date due</i>  |
|--|------------------|
| <b>Congo</b>                                 |                  |
| Sixth periodic report                        | 25 August 2003   |
| Seventh periodic report                      | 25 August 2007   |
| <b>Costa Rica</b>                            |                  |
| Fifth and sixth periodic report              | 4 May 2007       |
| <b>Côte d'Ivoire<sup>2</sup></b>             |                  |
| Initial report                               | 17 January 1997  |
| Second periodic report                       | 17 January 2001  |
| Third periodic report                        | 17 January 2005  |
| <b>Croatia</b>                               |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report             | 9 October 2009   |
| <b>Cuba</b>                                  |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report           | 3 September 2010 |
| <b>Cyprus</b>                                |                  |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report            | 22 August 2010   |
| <b>Czech Republic</b>                        |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report             | 24 March 2009    |
| <b>Democratic People's Republic of Korea</b> |                  |
| Second periodic report                       | 27 March 2006    |
| <b>Democratic Republic of the Congo</b>      |                  |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report            | 16 November 2011 |
| <b>Djibouti<sup>2</sup></b>                  |                  |
| Initial report                               | 2 January 2000   |
| Second periodic report                       | 2 January 2004   |
| Third periodic report                        | 2 January 2008   |
| <b>Dominica<sup>4</sup></b>                  |                  |
| Initial report                               | 3 September 1982 |
| Second periodic report                       | 3 September 1986 |
| Third periodic report                        | 3 September 1990 |

| <i>State party</i>                | <i>Date due</i>   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Fourth periodic report            | 3 September 1994  |
| Fifth periodic report             | 3 September 1998  |
| Sixth periodic report             | 3 September 2002  |
| Seventh periodic report           | 3 September 2006  |
| <b>Dominican Republic</b>         |                   |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report | 2 October 2007    |
| <b>Equatorial Guinea</b>          |                   |
| Sixth periodic report             | 22 November 2005  |
| <b>Ethiopia</b>                   |                   |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report | 10 October 2006   |
| <b>Fiji</b>                       |                   |
| Second periodic report            | 27 September 2000 |
| Third periodic report             | 27 September 2004 |
| Fourth periodic report            | 27 September 2008 |
| <b>Gabon</b>                      |                   |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report | 20 February 2008  |
| <b>Gambia</b>                     |                   |
| Fourth periodic report            | 16 May 2006       |
| <b>Georgia</b>                    |                   |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report  | 25 November 2011  |
| <b>Ghana</b>                      |                   |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report | 1 February 2011   |
| <b>Greece</b>                     |                   |
| Seventh periodic report           | 7 July 2008       |
| <b>Grenada<sup>1</sup></b>        |                   |
| Initial report                    | 29 September 1991 |
| Second periodic report            | 29 September 1995 |
| Third periodic report             | 29 September 1999 |
| Fourth periodic report            | 29 September 2003 |

| <i>State party</i>                 | <i>Date due</i>   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Fifth periodic report              | 29 September 2007 |
| <b>Guinea</b>                      |                   |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report | 8 September 2011  |
| <b>Guinea-Bissau</b> <sup>4</sup>  |                   |
| Initial report                     | 22 September 1986 |
| Second periodic report             | 22 September 1990 |
| Third periodic report              | 22 September 1994 |
| Fourth periodic report             | 22 September 1998 |
| Fifth periodic report              | 22 September 2002 |
| Sixth periodic report              | 22 September 2006 |
| <b>Guyana</b>                      |                   |
| Seventh periodic report            | 3 September 2006  |
| <b>Honduras</b>                    |                   |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report | 2 April 2012      |
| <b>Hungary</b>                     |                   |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report | 3 September 2010  |
| <b>India</b>                       |                   |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report   | 8 August 2010     |
| <b>Indonesia</b>                   |                   |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report  | 13 October 2009   |
| <b>Iraq</b>                        |                   |
| Fourth periodic report             | 12 September 1999 |
| Fifth periodic report              | 12 September 2003 |
| Sixth periodic report              | 12 September 2007 |
| <b>Ireland</b>                     |                   |
| Sixth periodic report              | 22 January 2007   |
| <b>Italy</b>                       |                   |
| Sixth periodic report              | 10 July 2006      |

| <i>State party</i>                | <i>Date due</i>   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Jamaica</b>                    |                   |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report | 18 November 2009  |
| <b>Kazakhstan</b>                 |                   |
| Third and fourth periodic report  | 25 September 2011 |
| <b>Kiribati</b>                   |                   |
| Initial report                    | 16 April 2005     |
| <b>Kuwait</b>                     |                   |
| Third and fourth periodic report  | 2 October 2007    |
| <b>Latvia</b>                     |                   |
| Fourth periodic report            | 14 May 2005       |
| <b>Lesotho<sup>3</sup></b>        |                   |
| Initial report                    | 21 September 1996 |
| Second periodic report            | 21 September 2000 |
| Third periodic report             | 21 September 2004 |
| <b>Liberia<sup>4</sup></b>        |                   |
| Initial report                    | 16 August 1985    |
| Second periodic report            | 16 August 1989    |
| Third periodic report             | 16 August 1993    |
| Fourth periodic report            | 16 August 1997    |
| Fifth periodic report             | 16 August 2001    |
| Sixth periodic report             | 16 August 2005    |
| <b>Libyan Arab Jamahiriya</b>     |                   |
| Third periodic report             | 15 June 1998      |
| Fourth periodic report            | 15 June 2002      |
| Fifth periodic report             | 15 June 2006      |
| <b>Malawi</b>                     |                   |
| Sixth periodic report             | 11 April 2008     |

| <i>State party</i>                      | <i>Date due</i>  |
|---|------------------|
| <b>Malaysia</b>                         |                  |
| Third and fourth periodic report        | 4 August 2008    |
| <b>Maldives</b>                         |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report        | 31 July 2010     |
| <b>Mali</b>                             |                  |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report       | 10 October 2010  |
| <b>Malta</b>                            |                  |
| Fourth periodic report                  | 7 April 2004     |
| Fifth periodic report                   | 7 April 2008     |
| <b>Marshall Islands</b>                 |                  |
| Initial report                          | 1 April 2007     |
| <b>Mauritania</b>                       |                  |
| Second and third periodic report        | 9 June 2010      |
| <b>Mauritius</b>                        |                  |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report       | 8 August 2009    |
| <b>Mexico</b>                           |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report      | 3 September 2010 |
| <b>Micronesia (Federated States of)</b> |                  |
| Initial report                          | 1 October 2005   |
| <b>Moldova</b>                          |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report        | 31 July 2011     |
| <b>Monaco</b>                           |                  |
| Initial report                          | 17 April 2006    |
| <b>Montenegro</b>                       |                  |
| Initial report                          | 22 November 2007 |
| <b>Mozambique</b>                       |                  |
| Third and fourth periodic report        | 21 May 2010      |

| <i>State party</i>                  | <i>Date due</i>  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Namibia</b>                      |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report    | 23 December 2009 |
| <b>Nepal</b>                        |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report    | 22 May 2008      |
| <b>Netherlands</b>                  | 22 August 2008   |
| Fifth periodic report               |                  |
| <b>Nicaragua</b>                    |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report  | 26 November 2010 |
| <b>Oman</b>                         |                  |
| Initial report                      | 9 March 2007     |
| <b>Papua New Guinea<sup>3</sup></b> |                  |
| Initial report                      | 11 February 1996 |
| Second periodic report              | 11 February 2000 |
| Third periodic report               | 11 February 2004 |
| Fourth periodic report              | 11 February 2008 |
| <b>Paraguay</b>                     |                  |
| Sixth periodic report               | 6 May 2008       |
| <b>Peru</b>                         |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report  | 13 October 2011  |
| <b>Philippines</b>                  |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report  | 4 September 2010 |
| <b>Poland</b>                       |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report  | 3 September 2010 |
| <b>Romania</b>                      |                  |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report  | 6 February 2011  |
| <b>Russian Federation</b>           |                  |
| Sixth periodic report               | 3 September 2002 |
| Seventh periodic report             | 3 September 2006 |

| <i>State party</i>                                  | <i>Date due</i>  |
|---|------------------|
| <b>Saint Kitts and Nevis</b>                        |                  |
| Fifth periodic report                               | 25 May 2002      |
| Sixth periodic report                               | 25 May 2006      |
| <b>Saint Lucia</b>                                  |                  |
| Seventh periodic report                             | 7 November 2007  |
| <b>Saint Vincent and the Grenadines<sup>2</sup></b> |                  |
| Fourth periodic report                              | 3 September 1994 |
| Fifth periodic report                               | 3 September 1998 |
| Sixth periodic report                               | 3 September 2002 |
| Seventh periodic report                             | 3 September 2006 |
| <b>Samoa</b>  |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report                    | 25 October 2009  |
| <b>San Marino</b>                                   |                  |
| Initial report                                      | 9 January 2005   |
| <b>Sao Tome and Principe</b>                        |                  |
| Initial report                                      | 3 July 2004      |
| <b>Senegal<sup>2</sup></b>                          |                  |
| Third periodic report                               | 7 March 1994     |
| Fourth periodic report                              | 7 March 1998     |
| Fifth periodic report                               | 7 March 2002     |
| Sixth periodic report                               | 7 March 2006     |
| <b>Serbia</b>                                       |                  |
| Second and third periodic report                    | 11 April 2010    |
| <b>Seychelles<sup>1</sup></b>                       |                  |
| Initial report                                      | 4 June 1993      |
| Second periodic report                              | 4 June 1997      |
| Third periodic report                               | 4 June 2001      |
| Fourth periodic report                              | 4 June 2005      |

| <i>State party</i>                               | <i>Date due</i>  |
|--|------------------|
| <b>Solomon Islands<sup>2</sup></b>               |                  |
| Initial report                                   | 6 June 2003      |
| Second periodic report                           | 6 June 2007      |
| <b>South Africa</b>                              |                  |
| Second periodic report                           | 14 January 2001  |
| Third periodic report                            | 14 January 2005  |
| <b>Sri Lanka</b>                                 |                  |
| Fifth periodic report                            | 4 November 1998  |
| Sixth periodic report                            | 4 November 2002  |
| Seventh periodic report                          | 4 November 2006  |
| <b>Suriname</b>                                  |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report                 | 31 March 2010    |
| <b>Swaziland</b>                                 |                  |
| Initial report                                   | 25 April 2005    |
| <b>Syrian Arab Republic</b>                      |                  |
| Second and third periodic report                 | 27 April 2012    |
| <b>Tajikistan</b>                                |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report                 | 25 November 2010 |
| <b>Thailand</b>                                  |                  |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report                | 8 September 2010 |
| <b>The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia</b> |                  |
| Fourth and fifth periodic report                 | 17 February 2011 |
| <b>Togo</b>                                      |                  |
| Sixth and seventh periodic report                | 26 October 2008  |
| <b>Trinidad and Tobago</b>                       |                  |
| Fourth periodic report                           | 11 February 2003 |
| Fifth periodic report                            | 11 February 2007 |

| <i>State party</i>                        | <i>Date due</i> |
|---|-----------------|
| <b>Tunisia</b>                            |                 |
| Fifth periodic report                     | 20 October 2002 |
| Sixth periodic report                     | 20 October 2006 |
| <b>Turkey</b>                             |                 |
| Sixth periodic report                     | 19 January 2007 |
| <b>Turkmenistan</b>                       |                 |
| Third and fourth periodic report          | 31 May 2010     |
| <b>Uganda</b>                             |                 |
| Fourth periodic report                    | 21 August 1998  |
| Fifth periodic report                     | 21 August 2002  |
| Sixth periodic report                     | 21 August 2006  |
| <b>Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)</b> |                 |
| Seventh periodic report                   | 30 June 2008    |
| <b>Viet Nam</b>                           |                 |
| Seventh and eighth periodic report        | 19 March 2011   |
| <b>Zambia</b>                             |                 |
| Fifth periodic report                     | 21 July 2002    |
| Sixth periodic report                     | 21 July 2006    |
| <b>Zimbabwe<sup>2</sup></b>               |                 |
| Second periodic report                    | 12 June 1996    |
| Third periodic report                     | 12 June 2000    |
| Fourth periodic report                    | 12 June 2004    |
| Fifth periodic report                     | 12 June 2008    |

<sup>1</sup> At its thirty-eighth session, the Committee decided to consider this State party in early 2010, if necessary in the absence of a report (A/62/38, chap. VI, para. 675).

<sup>2</sup> At its forty-first session, the Committee invited the State party to submit all its overdue reports in a combined report within two years, failing which it would proceed with consideration of the implementation of the Convention in those States parties in the absence of a report (A/63/38).

<sup>3</sup> At its thirty-eighth session, the Committee decided to consider this State party in the second half of 2010, if necessary in the absence of a report (A/62/38, chap. VI, para. 675).

<sup>4</sup> At its thirty-seventh session, the Committee decided to consider this State party at its forty-third session, if necessary in the absence of a report (A/62/38, chap. VI, para. 675).

## Annex II

### **States parties whose reports were five years or more overdue as at 27 August 2008**

*State party*

Albania  
Andorra  
Antigua and Barbuda  
Bahamas  
Barbados  
Botswana  
Bulgaria  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Comoros  
Côte d'Ivoire  
Djibouti  
Dominica  
Ethiopia  
Fiji  
Grenada  
Guinea-Bissau  
Haiti  
Iraq  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya  
Papua New Guinea  
Russian Federation  
Saint Kitts and Nevis  
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines  
Senegal  
Seychelles  
Solomon Islands  
South Africa  
Sri Lanka  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Tunisia  
Uganda  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe

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