

STATES PARTIES TO THE GENEVA CONVENTIONS OF 12 AUGUST 1949

Below we give the list, drawn up in chronological order, of the States which are Parties to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, as a result of ratification, accession or a declaration of succession deposited with the Swiss Government before 30 June 1977.

The names of the States are shown in abbreviated form; sometimes the official name of the State may differ from that given in our list. The number in the left-hand margin has no special significance, and has been placed there merely to facilitate reference.

The third column contains the official date of ratification, accession or declaration of succession, while the letter in the fourth column indicates the type of official act received in Berne: R = ratification, A = accession, S = declaration of succession.

A declaration of succession is a statement made by a newly independent country that it continues from the first day of its independence to be bound by the Geneva Conventions previously applied in that country by virtue of the ratification or accession of the State from which it has become independent. The date following the letter S in the fourth column is the date on which the declaration of succession took effect.

The word "Reservations" in the last column means that the signatory State has made reservations as to the application of the Geneva Conventions on its territory.

	OFFICIAL DATES OF RATIFICATIONS, ACCESSIONS OR DECLARATIONS OF SUCCESSION	FORM OF OFFICIAL ACT DEPOSITED AT BERNE	RESERVA- TIONS FORMULATED
1950			
1	Switzerland	31 March	R
2	Yugoslavia	21 April	R
3	Monaco	5 July	R
4	Liechtenstein	21 September	R
5	Chile	12 October	R
6	India	9 November	R
7	Czechoslovakia	19 December	R
			Reservations
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1951			
8	Vatican	22 February	R
9	Philippines, Conv. I	7 March	R
	Conv. II, III, IV	6 October (1952)	R
10	Lebanon	10 April	R
11	Jordan	29 May	A
12	Pakistan	12 June	R
13	Denmark	27 June	R
14	France	28 June	R
15	Israel	6 July	R
16	Norway	3 August	R
17	Italy	17 December	R
			Reservations
			Reservations
1952			
18	Rep. of South Africa	31 March	A
19	Guatemala	14 May	R
20	Spain	4 August	R
21	Belgium	3 September	R
22	Mexico	29 October	R
23	Egypt	10 November	R
			Reservations
1953			
24	Japan	21 April	A
25	Salvador	17 June	R
26	Luxembourg	1 July	R
27	Austria	27 August	R
28	San Marino	29 August	A
29	Syria	2 November	R
30	Nicaragua	17 December	R
31	Sweden	28 December	R

1954

32	Turkey	10 February	R	
33	Liberia	29 March	A	
34	Cuba	15 April	R	
35	U.S.S.R.	10 May	R	Reservations
36	Rumania	1 June	R	Reservations
37	Bulgaria	22 July	R	Reservations
38	Ukraine	3 August	R	Reservations
39	Byelorussia	3 August	R	Reservations
40	Netherlands	3 August	R	Reservations
41	Hungary	3 August	R	Reservations
42	Ecuador	11 August	R	
43	Fed. Rep. of Germany	3 September	A	
44	Poland	26 November	R	Reservations
45	Thailand	29 December	A	

1955

46	Finland	22 February	R	
47	United States of America	2 August	R	Reservations

1956

48	Panama	10 February	A	
49	Venezuela	13 February	R	
50	Iraq	14 February	A	
51	Peru	15 February	R	
53	Libya	22 May	A	
53	Greece	5 June	R	
54	Morocco	26 July	A	
55	Argentina	18 September	R	
56	Afghanistan	26 September	R	
57	Laos	29 October	A	
58	Dem. Rep. of Germany	30 November	A	Reservations
59	People's Rep. of China	28 December	R	Reservations

1957

60	Iran	20 February	R	
61	Haiti	11 April	A	
62	Tunisia	4 May	A	
63	Albania	27 May	R	Reservations
64	Viet Nam	28 June	A	Reservations
65	Brazil	29 June	R	
66	Dem. People's Rep. of Korea	27 August	A	Reservations
67	United Kingdom	23 September	R	
68	Sudan	23 September	A	

1958			
69	Dominican Rep.	22 January	A
70	Ghana	2 August	A
71	Indonesia	30 September	A
72	Australia	14 October	R
73	Cambodia	8 December	A
74	Mongolia	20 December	A
1959			
75	Sri Lanka Conv. IV	23 February	A
	Conv. I, II, III	28 February	R
76	New Zealand	2 May	R
1960			
77	Algeria	20 June	A
1961			
78	Zaire	20 February	S — as from 30. 6.60
79	Portugal	14 March	R
80	Nigeria	9 June	S — as from 1.10.60
81	Paraguay	23 October	R
82	Upper Volta	7 November	S — as from 5. 8.60
83	Colombia	8 November	R
84	Benin	14 December	S — as from 1. 8.60
85	Ivory Coast	28 December	S — as from 7. 8.60
1962			
86	Togo	6 January	S — as from 27. 4.60
87	Cyprus	23 May	A
88	Somalia	12 July	A
89	Malaysia	24 August	A
90	Ireland	27 September	R
91	Mauritania	27 October	S — as from 28.11.60
92	Tanzania	12 December	S — as from 9.12.61
1963			
93	Senegal	23 April	S — as from 20. 6.60
94	Trinidad and Tobago Conv. I	17 May	A
	Conv. II, III, IV	24 September	A
95	Saudi Arabia	18 May	A
96	Malagasy Rep.	13 July	S — as from 26.6.60
97	Cameroon	16 September	S — as from 1. 1.60

Reservations

1964

98	Nepal	7 February	A	
99	Rwanda	21 March	S — as from	1. 7.62
100	Niger	16 April	S — as from	3. 8.60
101	Uganda	18 May	A	
102	Jamaica	17 July	S — as from	6. 8.62

1965

103	Gabon	20 February	S — as from	17. 8.60
104	Canada	14 May	R	
105	Mali	24 May	A	
106	Sierra Leone	31 May	S — as from	27. 4.61
107	Iceland	10 August	A	
108	Honduras	31 December	A	

1966

109	Central African Emp.	1 August	S — as from	13. 8.60
110	Rep. of Korea	16 August	A	
111	Kenya	20 September	A	
112	Gambia	11 October	S — as from	18. 2.65
113	Zambia	19 October	A	

Reservations

1967

114	Congo (Brazzaville)	30 January	S — as from	15. 8.60
115	Kuwait	2 September	A	

1968

116	Malawi	5 January	A	
117	Botswana	29 March	A	
118	Lesotho	20 May	S — as from	4.10.66
119	Guyana	22 July	S — as from	26. 5.66
120	Malta	22 August	S — as form	21. 9.64
121	Barbados	10 September	S — as from	30.11.66

1969

122	Uruguay	5 March	R	
123	Ethiopia	2 October	R	
124	Costa Rica	15 October	A	

Reservations

1970

125	Yemen Arab Rep.	16 July	A	
126	Chad	5 August	A	
127	Mauritius	18 August	S — as from	12. 3.68

1971			
128	Fiji	9 August	S — as from 10.10.70
129	Bahrein	30 November	A
130	Burundi	27 December	S — as from 1. 7.62
1972			
131	Bangladesh	4 April	S — as from 26. 3.71
132	United Arab Emirates	10 May	A
1973			
133	Singapore	27 April	A
134	Swaziland	20 June	A
1974			
135	Oman	31 January	A
136	Guinea Bissau	21 February	A
			Reservations
1975			
137	Bahamas	11 July	S — as from 10. 7.73
138	Qatar	15 October	A
1976			
139	Sao Tomé and Príncipe	21 May	A
140	Papua - New Guinea	26 May	S — as from 16. 9.75
141	Surinam	13 October	S — as from 25.11.75
142	Bolivia	10 December	R
1977			
143	People's Dem. Rep. of Yemen	25 May	A

On 30 June 1977, 143 States were Parties to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949.

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