Tables for UN Compilation on Botswana

I. Scope of international obligations[[1]](#endnote-2)

A. International human rights treaties[[2]](#endnote-3)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | *Ratified* | *Not ratified/not accepted* |
|  |  |  |
| *Ratification, accession or succession* | ICERD (1974)  ICCPR (2000)  CEDAW (1996)  CAT (2000)  CRC (1995)  OP-CRC-AC (2004)  OP-CRC-SC (2003)  CRPD (2021) | ICESCR  ICCPR-OP 2  OP-CAT  ICRMW  ICPPED |
| *Complaints procedures, inquiries  and urgent action*[[3]](#endnote-4) | OP-CEDAW, art. 8 (2007)  CAT, art. 20 (2000) | ICERD, art. 14  OP-ICESCR  ICCPR, art. 41  ICCPR-OP 1  CAT, arts. 21 and 22  OP-CRC-IC  ICRMW  OP-CRPD  ICPPED |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| *Reservations and / or declarations* | *Current Status* |
|  | ICCPR (Reservations, arts. 7 and 12(3)) |
|  | CAT (Reservation, art. 1) |
|  | OP-CRC-AC (Declaration, art. 3(2), minimum age  of military recruitment at 18 years) |

During the period under review, Botswana became a party to CRPD.

During the period under review, Botswana withdrew a reservation to art. 1 of CRC.

B. Other main relevant international instruments

|  | *Ratified* | *Not ratified* |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  |  |
| *Ratification, accession or succession* | ILO fundamental Conventions[[4]](#endnote-5) | Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime  of Genocide[[5]](#endnote-6) |
|  | Geneva Conventions  of 12 August 1949 and Additional Protocols thereto[[6]](#endnote-7)  Palermo Protocol[[7]](#endnote-8) | ILO Conventions Nos. 169, 189  and 190[[8]](#endnote-9)  Convention against Discrimination  in Education[[9]](#endnote-10) |
|  | Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court[[10]](#endnote-11) |  |
|  | Conventions on refugees and  stateless persons[[11]](#endnote-12) |  |

II. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms and bodies

A. Cooperation with treaty bodies[[12]](#endnote-13)

Reporting status

| *Treaty body* | *Concluding observations included in previous review* | *Latest report submitted since previous review* | *Latest concluding observations* | *Reporting status* |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| CERD | -- | 2020 | November 2022 | Twenty-third to twenty-fourth reports due in 2026. |
| HR Committee | -- | 2020 | November 2021 | Third report due  in 2028. |
| CEDAW | -- | 2017 | March 2019 | Fifth report overdue  since 14 March 2023. |
| CAT | -- | 2022 | July 2022 | Second report due  in 2026. |
| CRC | -- | 2017 | May 2019 | Fourth to sixth reports due in 2024. Initial OP-CRC-SC and OP-CRC-AC reports overdue since 2005 and 2006, respectively. |
| CRPD | -- | -- | -- | Initial report due  in July 2023. |

B. Cooperation with special procedures[[13]](#endnote-14)

|  | *Status during the Period Under Review[[14]](#endnote-15)* |
| --- | --- |
|  |  |
| *Standing invitations* | Yes (2018) [[15]](#endnote-16) |
| *Visits undertaken during the period under review* | Minority issues (2018) |
| *Visits agreed to in principle during the period under review* | Persons with disabilities  Sale and exploitation of children  Arbitrary detention  Discrimination against women and girls |
| *Visits requested during the period under review* | Racism  International solidarity |
| *Responses to letters of allegation and urgent appeal* | During the period under review  3 communications were sent. The Government replied to 0 communications.[[16]](#endnote-17) |

C. Status of national human rights institution[[17]](#endnote-18)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| *National human rights institution* | *Status during previous cycle* | *Status during present cycle*[[18]](#endnote-19) |
|  |  |  |
|  | None | None |

1. Notes

   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 Botswana from the previous cycle (A/HRC/WG.6/29/BWA/2). [↑](#endnote-ref-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. [↑](#endnote-ref-3)
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. [↑](#endnote-ref-4)
4. 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. For ratification status see: <http://www.ilo.ch/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=1000:11200:0::NO:11200:P11200_COUNTRY_ID:103303> [↑](#endnote-ref-5)
5. See https://treaties.un.org/pages/ViewDetails.aspx?src=IND&mtdsg\_no=IV-1&chapter=4&clang=\_en [↑](#endnote-ref-6)
6. 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). [↑](#endnote-ref-7)
7. Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. For status   
   of ratification see: https://treaties.un.org/Pages/ViewDetails.aspx?src=ind&mtdsg\_no=XVIII-12-a&chapter=18&clang=\_en [↑](#endnote-ref-8)
8. ILO Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169), Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189) and Violence and Harassment Convention, 2019 (No. 190) and - Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930. For status of ratification see: http://www.ilo.ch/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=1000:11210:0::NO:11210:P11210\_COUNTRY\_ID:103303 [↑](#endnote-ref-9)
9. For ratification status see: <https://treaties.un.org/pages/showDetails.aspx?objid=0800000280134150> [↑](#endnote-ref-10)
10. For status of ratification see: https://asp.icc-cpi.int/states-parties [↑](#endnote-ref-11)
11. 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. [↑](#endnote-ref-12)
12. The following abbreviations have been used in the present document:

    CERD Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;

    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. [↑](#endnote-ref-13)
13. For the titles of special procedure mandate holders see: https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/about/abbreviations. [↑](#endnote-ref-14)
14. See: https://spinternet.ohchr.org/Search.aspx?Lang=en [↑](#endnote-ref-15)
15. See: https://spinternet.ohchr.org/StandingInvitations.aspx [↑](#endnote-ref-16)
16. See: https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/TmSearch/Results. [↑](#endnote-ref-17)
17. 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). [↑](#endnote-ref-18)
18. 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/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/StatusAccreditationChartNHRIs\_28.12.21.pdf

    [↑](#endnote-ref-19)