

Tables for UN Compilation on China

I. Scope of international obligations¹

A. International human rights treaties²

	<i>Ratified</i>	<i>Not ratified/not accepted</i>
<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	ICERD: China (1981); Hong Kong, China (HKSAR) (1997); Macao, China (MSAR) (1999) ICESCR: China (2001); HKSAR (1997); MSAR (1999) ICCPR: HKSAR (1997); MSAR (1999) CEDAW: China (1980); HKSAR (1997); MSAR (1999) CAT: China (1988); HKSAR (1997); MSAR (1999) CRC: China (1992); HKSAR (1997); MSAR (1999) OP-CRC-AC: China, HKSAR and MSAR (2008) OP-CRC-SC: China, HKSAR and MSAR (2002) CRPD: China, HKSAR and MSAR (2008)	ICCPR: China (signature, 1998) ICCPR-OP 2 OP-CAT ICRMW ICPPED
<i>Complaints procedures, inquiries and urgent action³</i>	ICCPR, art. 41: HKSAR (1976)	ICERD, art. 14 OP-ICESCR ICCPR, art. 41: (MSAR) ICCPR-OP 1 OP-CEDAW CAT, arts. 20, 21 and 22 OP-CRC-IC ICRMW OP-CRPD ICPPED

ICERD (Reservations, art. 22 (China/HKSAR/MSAR) and art. 6 (HKSAR))

ICESCR (Reservations, art. 8, para. 1(a) (China/HKSAR/MSAR), and arts. 6 and 8, para. 1(b) (HKSAR)/Declaration, art. 1 (MSAR))

ICCPR (Declarations, art. 1, 12, para. 4, 13 and 25(b) (MSAR))

CEDAW (Reservation, art. 29, para. 1 (China/HKSAR/MSAR)/Declarations and reservations, arts. 1, 4, para. 1, 11, para. 2, and 15, paras. 3 and 4 (HKSAR))

CAT (Reservations, arts. 20 and 30, para. 1 (China/HKSAR/MSAR))

CRC (Reservation, art. 6 (China/HKSAR/MSAR)/Declarations and reservations, arts. 32, para. 2(b), and 37(c) (HKSAR))

OP-CRC-AC (Declaration, art. 3.2, minimum age of military recruitment at 17 years (China/HKSAR/MSAR))

OP-CRC-SC (General declaration (HKSAR))

B. Other main relevant international instruments

	<i>Ratified</i>	<i>Not ratified</i>
<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide	Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court
	Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and Additional Protocols I and II ⁴	Additional Protocol III to the 1949 Geneva Conventions ⁵
	Conventions on refugees (China, incl. MSAR) and stateless persons, except 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness (HKSAR) ⁶	Conventions on refugees (HKSAR), and stateless persons (China incl. MSAR); 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness (HKSAR)
	Palermo Protocol (China incl. MSAR) ⁷	Palermo Protocol (HKSAR)

ILO fundamental Conventions:
Nos. 29, 100, 105, 111, 138, 155 and
182 except Nos. 87, 98, and 187
(China); Nos. 29, 87, 98, 105, 138
and 182 except Nos. 100, 111, 155
and 187 (HK SAR); Nos. 29, 87, 98,
100, 105, 111, 138, 155 and 182,
except No. 187 (MSAR)⁸

ILO fundamental conventions
Nos. 87, 98 and 187 (China);
Nos. 100, 111, 155 and 187
(HK SAR); No. 187 (MSAR)¹
ILO Conventions Nos. 169, 189
and 190⁹

During the period under review, China became a party to: International Labour Organization Convention No. 29 concerning Forced or Compulsory Labour and Convention No. 105 concerning the Abolition of Forced Labour in 2022.

II. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms and bodies

A. Cooperation with treaty bodies¹⁰

Reporting status

<i>Treaty body</i>	<i>Concluding observations included in previous review</i>	<i>Latest report submitted since previous review</i>	<i>Latest concluding observations</i>	<i>Reporting status</i>
CERD (China/HKSA/MSAR)	--	2017	August 2018	Eighteenth to twentieth reports overdue since 28 January 2023.
CESCR (China/HKSA/MSAR)	May 2014	2019	March 2023	Fourth report due in 2028.
HR Committee (HKSA/MSAR)	--	2019 (HKSA/MSAR)	July 2022 (HKSA/MSAR)	Fifth report due in 2028 (HKSA). Third report due in 2028 (MSAR).
CEDAW (China/HKSA/MSAR)	October 2014	2020	May 2023	Tenth report due in XXX.
CAT (China/HKSA/MSAR)	December 2015	--	--	Sixth report overdue since 2019.
CRC (China/HKSA/MSAR)	October 2013	--	--	Fifth and sixth reports overdue since 2019.
CRPD (China/HKSA/MSAR)	--	2018	September 2022	Fourth and fifth reports due in 2026.

B. Cooperation with special procedures¹¹

	<i>Status during the Period Under Review</i>
<i>Standing invitations</i>	NO
<i>Visits undertaken during the period under review</i>	Older persons (25 November – 3 December 2019)
<i>Visits agreed to in principle during the period under review</i>	
<i>Visits requested during the period under review</i>	Cultural rights (2019) Trafficking in persons (2022) International order Religion or belief (2019, Reminder) Toxics and human rights (2019, Reminder) Terrorism (2020, Reminder) Disability (2020, Reminder) Environment (2020, Reminder) Torture (2021, Reminder) Business (2021, Reminder) Disappearances (2022, Reminder) Privacy (2023, Reminder) Mercenaries (Reminder)
<i>Responses to letters of allegation and urgent appeal</i>	During the period under review 91 communications were sent. The Government replied to 74 communications.

C. Status of national human rights institution¹²

<i>National human rights institution</i>	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Status during present cycle¹³</i>
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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 China from the previous cycle (A/HRC/WG.6/31/CHN/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; 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.

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); 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). For the official status of ratifications, see Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, at <https://www.dfae.admin.ch/eda/fr/dfaepolitique-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 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.dfae.admin.ch/eda/fr/dfaepolitique-exterieure/droit-international-public/traites-internationaux/depositaire/protection-des-victimes-de-la-guerre.html>.

- ⁶ 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.
- ⁷ Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.
- ⁸ International Labour Organization Convention No. 29 concerning Forced or Compulsory Labour; Protocol of 2014 to 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; Convention No. 155 concerning Occupational Safety and Health; and Convention No. 187 concerning Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health.
- ⁹ International Labour Organization Convention No. 169 concerning Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, Convention No. 189 concerning Domestic Workers and Convention No. 190 concerning Violence and Harassment.
- ¹⁰ The following abbreviations have been used in the present document:
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| CERD | Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination; |
| CESCR | Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; |
| 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. |
- ¹¹ For the titles of special procedure mandate holders see: <https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/about/abbreviations>.
- ¹² 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).
- ¹³ The list of national human rights institutions with accreditation status granted by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), accessed at: [https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/Countries/NHRI/StatusAccreditationChartNHRI s.pdf](https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/Countries/NHRI/StatusAccreditationChartNHRI%20s.pdf).
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