

**BARBADOS**

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## I. TABLE OF RATIFICATION OF INTER-AMERICAN TREATIES BY BARBADOS

	Signature	Ratification Accession	/ Deposit
American Convention on Human Rights <sup>1</sup>	06/20/78	11/05/91	11/27/82 RA
Inter-American Convention to Prevent and Punish Torture	//	//	//
Additional Protocol to the American Convention on Human Rights in the Area of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, "Protocol of San Salvador"	//	//	//
Protocol to the American Convention on Human Rights to Abolish the Death Penalty	//	//	//
Inter-American Convention on the Prevention, Punishment and Eradication of Violence Against Women, "Convention of Belém do Pará"	05/16/95	02/08/95	05/16/95 RA
Inter-American Convention on Forced Disappearance of Persons	//	//	//
Inter-American Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Persons with Disabilities	//	//	//

## II. COUNTRY REPORTS

The IACHR has not published a special country report on Barbados.

## III. THEMATIC REPORTS (since 2008)

- IACHR *Second Report on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders in the Americas*. OEA/Ser.L/V/II. Doc. 66 31 December 2011, paragraphs 334. (Available at: <http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/defenders/docs/pdf/defenders2011.pdf>)
- IACHR *Legal Standards related to gender equality and women's rights in the Inter American Human Rights System: development and application*. OEA/Ser.L/V/II. 143 Doc. 60 3 November 2011, paragraphs 71-78. (Available at: <http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/women/docs/pdf/REGIONALst.pdf>)
- IACHR Report *The Road to substantive Democracy: Women's Political Participation in the Americas*, OEA/Ser.L/V/II. Doc. 79, 18 April 2011, paragraphs 58. (Available at <http://www.cidh.oas.org/pdf%20files/POLITICAL%20PARTICIPATION.pdf>).
- IACHR *Report on Juvenile Justice and Human Rights in the Americas*. OEA/Ser.L/V/II. Doc. 78 13 July 2011, paragraphs 47, 155, 243, 368, 417, 557. (Available at: <http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/children/docs/pdf/JuvenileJustice.pdf>)

## IV. ADMISSIBILITY REPORTS (Since 2000)

- IACHR Report No. 7/08, Petition 1460-06, Tyrone Dacosta Cadogan March 4, 2008 (Available at: <http://cidh.org/annualrep/2008eng/Barbados1460.06eng.htm>)

<sup>1</sup> Barbados accepted the jurisdiction of the Inter American Court of Human Rights 04/04/00.

## V. APPLICATIONS BEFORE THE INTER AMERICAN COURT

- IACHR Application Case 12.480 of Lennox Boyce, Jeffrey Joseph, Fredrick Benjamin Atkins and Michael Huggins, December 14, 2006 (Available at: <http://www.cidh.oas.org/demandas/12.480%20Lennox%20Boyce%20et%20al%20Barbados%2014%20dec%202006%20ENG.pdf>)
- IACHR Application Case 12.645 of Tyrone DaCosta Cadogan, October 31, 2008 (Available at: <http://www.cidh.oas.org/demandas/12.645%20Cadogan%20Barbados%2031%20oct%202008%20ENG.pdf>)

## VI. JUDGMENTS FROM THE INTER AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

- I/A Court H.R., Case of Boyce et al. v. Barbados. Preliminary Objection, Merits, Reparations and Costs. Judgment of November 20, 2007. Series C No. 169 (Available at: [http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/casos/articulos/seriec\\_169\\_ing.pdf](http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/casos/articulos/seriec_169_ing.pdf))
- I/A Court H.R., Case of Boyce et al. v. Barbados. Monitoring Compliance with Judgment. Order of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights of November 21, 2011 (Available at: [http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/supervisiones/Boyce\\_21\\_11\\_11\\_%20ing1.pdf](http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/supervisiones/Boyce_21_11_11_%20ing1.pdf))
- I/A Court H.R., Case of Dacosta-Cadogan v. Barbados. Preliminary Objections, Merits, Reparations, and Costs. Judgment of September 24, 2009. Series C No. 204 (Available at: [http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/casos/articulos/seriec\\_204\\_ing.pdf](http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/casos/articulos/seriec_204_ing.pdf))
- I/A Court H.R., Case of Dacosta-Cadogan v. Barbados. Monitoring Compliance with Judgment. Order of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights of November 21, 2011 (Available at: [http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/supervisiones/Dacosta\\_21\\_11\\_11\\_%20ing1.pdf](http://www.corteidh.or.cr/docs/supervisiones/Dacosta_21_11_11_%20ing1.pdf))

## VII. PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

- **PM Tyrone DaCosta Cadogan.** On January 23, 2007, the IACHR granted precautionary measures in favor of Mr. Tyrone DaCosta Cadogan, who is deprived of liberty awaiting enforcement of the death penalty in a detention center in Barbados. The precautionary measures were issued in the context of a petition on the alleged violation of the right enshrined in Article 8 of the American Convention, which is before the Commission for its consideration. The petition alleges, *inter alia*, flaws in the legal representation of the alleged victim, a refusal to afford him access to psychiatric care, and other violations pertaining to due process. In the context of the precautionary measures, the Commission asked the State of Barbados to adopt the measures necessary to preserve Mr. Da Costa Cadogan's life and physical integrity, so as to ensure there be no impediment to the processing of his petition before the inter-American system. The Commission continues to monitor the situation of the beneficiary.
- **PM Boyce et al.** On September 17, 2004, the IACHR granted precautionary measures in favor of **Frederick Atkins, Michael Huggins, Lennox Boyce and Jeffrey Joseph**, in

the context of petition P 829-04, which alleged violations of the alleged victims' rights under Articles 2, 4, 5, and 8 of the American Convention on Human Rights in connection with mandatory death sentences that had been imposed upon them as well as the use of hanging as a method of execution and the alleged victims' conditions of confinement. Available information at the time of the petition indicated that warrants of execution had been read to the alleged victims and that there was an imminent risk that execution dates would be scheduled. In view of the situation, the Commission requested that the Government of Barbados refrain from executing the beneficiaries pending the Commission's investigation into the allegations in their petition, on the basis that their executions would render any eventual decision by the Commission ineffective and would cause the beneficiaries irreparable harm. Further, because the information available also indicated that Lennox Boyce and Jeffrey Joseph had already been scheduled to be executed on September 21, 2004, the Commission requested the Inter-American Court of Human Rights to adopt provisional measures in favor of Mr. Boyce and Mr. Joseph in conformity with Article 63(2) of the American Convention. In response, the President of the Court adopted a Resolution, which was ratified by the entire Court on November 25, 2004 (see below the section on matters pending before the Inter-American Court).