## **Compilation on Brazil**

# Report of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

# I. Scope of international obligations and cooperation with international human rights mechanisms and bodies

#### 1. International human rights treaties<sup>ii</sup>

|   | Status during previous cycle | Action after review | Not ratified/not accepted  |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Ratification,<br>accession or<br>succession                       | ICERD (1968)                 |                     | ICRMW                      |
|   | ICESCR (1992)                |                     |                            |
|   | ICCPR (1992)                 |                     |                            |
|   | ICCPR-OP 2 (2009)            |                     |                            |
|   | CEDAW (1984)                 |                     |                            |
|   | CAT (1989)                   |                     |                            |
|   | OP-CAT (2007)                |                     |                            |
|   | CRC (1990)                   |                     |                            |
|   | OP-CRC-AC (2004)             |                     |                            |
|   | OP-CRC-SC (2004)             |                     |                            |
|   | CRPD (2008)                  |                     |                            |
|   | ICPPED (2010)                |                     |                            |
| Reservations<br>and/or<br>declarations                            | CEDAW, art. 29, para. 1      |                     |                            |
|   | CRC-OP-AC, art. 3, para. 2   |                     |                            |
|   | ICCPR-OP 2,- art.2           |                     |                            |
| Complaints procedures, inquiries and urgent action <sup>iii</sup> | ICERD, art. 14 (2002)        |                     | ICCPR, art. 41             |
|   | ICCPR-OP 1 (2009)            |                     | ICRMW,                     |
|   | OP-CEDAW, art. 8 (2002)      |                     | OP-ICESCR                  |
|   | CAT, arts. 20-22 (2006)      |                     | OP-CRC-IC (signature 2012) |
|   | OP-CRPD, art. 6 (2008)       |                     | ICPPED, arts. 31-32        |
|   | OP-CRC-IC (signature, 2012)  |                     |                            |

#### 2. Other main relevant international instruments<sup>iv</sup>

|   | Status during previous cycle  | Action after review                                     | Not ratified   |
|---|---|---|--|
| Ratification,<br>accession or<br>succession | Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, | Additional Protocol III to the 1949 Geneva Conventions8 | ILO Convention No. 189<br>concerning Decent Work for<br>Domestic Workers                             |
|   | Rome Statute of the International<br>Criminal Court                   |   | ILO Convention N° 87 concerning<br>Freedom of Association and<br>Protection of the Right to Organise |

| Status during previous cycle   | Action after review | Not ratified |
|--|---------------------|--------------|
| Refugees and stateless persons   |                     |              |
| Geneva Conventions of 12 August<br>1949 and Additional Protocols I<br>and II thereto     |                     |              |
| Palermo Protocol   |                     |              |
| ILO Fundamental Conventions  |                     |              |
| ILO Convention No. 169 concerning Indigenous and Tribal Peoples in Independent Countries |                     |              |
| UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education                                    |                     |              |

# II. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms

### A. Cooperation with treaty bodies

### 1. Reporting status

| Treaty body   | Concluding<br>observations<br>included in<br>previous review | Latest report submitted since previous review | Latest concluding<br>observations        | Reporting status   |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination                 |  |   |  | Combined eighteenth to twentieth reports overdue since 2008  |
| Committee on Economic,<br>Social and Cultural Rights                  | June 2009  |   |  | Third report overdue since 2014  |
| Human Rights Committee  |  |   |  | Third report overdue since 2009  |
| Committee on the<br>Elimination of<br>Discrimination against<br>Women | February<br>2012   |   |  | Eighth report overdue since 2016   |
| Committee against Torture   |  |   |  | Second report overdue since 2014   |
| Committee on the Rights of the Child                                  |  | 2012  | October 2015 /<br>OP-AC, October<br>2015 | Combined second to fifth to seventh reports due in 2021; initial report to OP-CRC-SC overdue since 2006; |
| Committee on the Rights of<br>Persons with Disabilities               |  | 2012  | September 2015                           | Combined second to fourth reports due in 2022  |
| Committee on Enforced Disappearances                                  | <del></del>  |   |  | Initial report overdue since 2013  |

### 2. Responses to specific follow-up requests by treaty bodies

| Concluding observations   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| Treaty body   | Due in                                  | Subject matter  | Submitted in   |
| Committee on the<br>Elimination of<br>Discrimination against<br>Women   | 2014                                    | Trafficking in persons, women's access to health care, maternal mortality, and criminalization of abortion.                             | 2014 <sup>vi</sup> ; follow-up dialogue ongoing. vii |
| Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities  | 2016                                    | Equal recognition before the law, revision of Law No. 9263/1996 and prohibition of the sterilization of persons with disabilities. viii |  |
| Views   |   |   |  |
| Treaty body   | Number of views                         | Status  |  |
|   |   |   |  |
| Country visits and/or inquiries   | y treaty bodies                         |   |  |
| Treaty body   | Date                                    | Subject matter  |  |
| Subcommittee on<br>Prevention of Torture<br>and Other Cruel,<br>Inhuman or Degrading<br>Treatment or Punishment | 2012 <sup>ix</sup><br>2016 <sup>x</sup> | NPM, treatment and situation of persons deprived of their liberty, Impunity, Corruption, Reprisals.                                     |  |

## $\textbf{B.} \quad \textbf{Cooperation with special procedures}^{xi}$

|                        | Status during previous cycle | Current status  |
|------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Standing invitation    | YES                          | YES   |
| [Visits<br>undertaken] |                              | Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity (25-29 June 2012)   |
|                        |                              | Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (18-28 March 2013)   |
|                        |                              | Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent (4-14 December 2013)  |
|                        |                              | Special Rapporteur on the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation (9-19 December 2013)                              |
|                        |                              | Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (3-14 August 2015)                |
|                        |                              | Special Rapporteur on minority issues (14-24 September 2015)  |
|                        |                              | Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises (7-16 December 2015) |
|                        |                              | Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples (7-17 March 2016)  |

|  | Status during previous cycle             | Current status  |
|--|--|---|
| [Visits agreed to in principle]                                |  |   |
| [Visits requested]   |  | <del></del>   |
| Responses to<br>letters of<br>allegation and<br>urgent appeals | During the period un of these communicat | der review, 48 communications were sent. The Government replied to 29 ions. |
| [Follow-up<br>reports and<br>missions]                         |  |   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> 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 Brazil from the previous cycle (A7HRC/WG.6/13/BRA/2).

The following abbreviations have been used in the present document:

|            | r   |
|------------|---|
| 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. 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; ICRMW, art. 76; ICPPED, art. 32; CAT, art. 21; OP-ICESCR, art. 10; and OP-CRC-IC, art. 12. Urgent action: ICPPED, art. 30.

iv Information relating to other relevant international human rights instruments, including regional instruments, may be found in the pledges and commitments undertaken by Brazil before the Human Rights Council, as contained in the note verbale dated 4 April 2016 sent by the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly.

- <sup>v</sup> CEDAW/C/BRA/CO/7, para. 40.
- vi CEDAW/C/BRA/CO/7/Add.1.
- vii Letter from CEDAW to the Permanent Representative of the Federative Republic of Brazil to the United Nations at Geneva, dated 16 December 2014, available from: http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CEDAW/Shared%20Documents/BRA/INT\_CEDAW\_FU L\_BRA\_19245\_E.pdf.
- viii CRPD/C/BRA/CO/1, para. 61.
- ix CAT/OP/BRA/1.
- x CAT/OP/BRA/R.2.
- ri For the titles of special procedure mandate holders, see www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Welcomepage.aspx.

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