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RIGHTS, THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS AND
THE OPTIONAL PROTOCOL TO THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND
POLITICAL RIGHTS

Report of the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In his report to the General Assembly (A/9140), the Secretary-General provided the Assembly with information on the status of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights as at 1 September 1973.

2. Subsequent to 1 September 1973, the following States have signed or ratified both Covenants:

(a) Ireland signed the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights on 1 October 1973;

(b) The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics deposited its instrument of ratification of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights on 16 October 1973;

(c) The German Democratic Republic deposited its instrument of ratification of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights on 8 November 1973;

(d) The Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic deposited their instruments of ratification of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights on 12 November 1973.

3. As at 30 November 1973, therefore, 50 States have signed the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; 49 States have signed the Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; 23 States have ratified or acceded to the Covenants and 9 States have ratified or acceded to the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.
