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of All Forms of Discrimination  
against Women**

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**Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under  
article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All  
Forms of Discrimination against Women**

**Status of submission of reports by States parties under  
article 18 of the Convention**

**Report of the Secretary-General**

1. Article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women provides that States parties shall undertake to submit to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, for consideration by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, a report on the legislative, judicial, administrative or other measures that they have adopted to give effect to the provisions of the Convention and on the progress made in that respect. Reports are to be submitted within one year after the entry into force of the Convention for the State concerned and thereafter at least every four years, and further whenever the Committee so requests.

2. Rule 49 of the rules of procedure of the Committee provides that at each session the Secretary-General shall notify the Committee of the non-receipt of any report required from a State party under article 18 of the Convention. Annex I to the present report lists the States parties whose reports were overdue as at 1 May 2003.

3. Annex II lists the reports submitted by States parties up to 1 May 2003 that have not yet been considered by the Committee.

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\* CEDAW/C/2003/II/1.



## Annex I

### **States parties whose reports are due and have not yet been submitted to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**

*State party**Date due*

#### **A. Initial reports**

Bahamas .....	5 November 1994
Bosnia and Herzegovina .....	1 October 1994
Botswana .....	12 September 1997
Cambodia .....	14 November 1993
Cape Verde .....	3 September 1982
Central African Republic .....	21 July 1992
Chad .....	9 July 1996
Comoros .....	30 November 1995
Côte d'Ivoire .....	17 January 1997
Djibouti .....	2 January 2000
Dominica .....	3 September 1982
Eritrea .....	5 October 1996
Grenada .....	29 September 1991
Guinea-Bissau .....	22 September 1986
Haiti .....	3 September 1982
Latvia .....	14 May 1993
Lebanon .....	21 May 1998
Lesotho .....	21 September 1996
Liberia .....	16 August 1985
Malaysia .....	4 August 1996
Mauritania .....	9 June 2002
Mozambique .....	16 May 1998
Niger .....	8 November 2000
Pakistan .....	11 May 1997
Papua New Guinea .....	11 February 1996
Saint Lucia .....	7 November 1983
Samoa .....	25 October 1993

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Saudi Arabia . . . . .	7 October 2001
Serbia and Montenegro . . . . .	11 April 2002
Seychelles . . . . .	4 June 1993
Sierra Leone . . . . .	11 December 1989
Tajikistan . . . . .	25 October 1994
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia . . . . .	17 February 1995
Togo . . . . .	26 October 1984
Turkmenistan . . . . .	31 May 1998
Tuvalu . . . . .	6 November 2000
Vanuatu . . . . .	8 October 1996

## **B. Second periodic reports**

Andorra . . . . .	14 February 2002
Azerbaijan . . . . .	9 August 2000
Bahamas . . . . .	5 November 1998
Bolivia . . . . .	8 July 1995
Bosnia and Herzegovina . . . . .	1 October 1998
Botswana . . . . .	12 September 2001
Burundi . . . . .	7 February 1997
Cambodia . . . . .	14 November 1997
Cameroon . . . . .	22 September 1999
Cape Verde . . . . .	3 September 1986
Central African Republic . . . . .	21 July 1996
Chad . . . . .	9 July 2000
Comoros . . . . .	30 November 1999
Côte d'Ivoire . . . . .	17 January 2001
Croatia . . . . .	9 October 1997
Dominica . . . . .	3 September 1986
Eritrea . . . . .	5 October 2000
Fiji . . . . .	27 September 2000
Gabon . . . . .	20 February 1988
Georgia . . . . .	25 November 1999
Grenada . . . . .	29 September 1995

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Guinea-Bissau . . . . .	22 September 1990
Haiti . . . . .	3 September 1986
India . . . . .	8 August 1998
Latvia . . . . .	14 May 1997
Lebanon . . . . .	21 May 2002
Lesotho . . . . .	21 September 2000
Liberia . . . . .	16 August 1989
Liechtenstein . . . . .	21 January 2001
Madagascar . . . . .	16 April 1994
Malawi . . . . .	11 April 1992
Malaysia . . . . .	4 August 2000
Maldives . . . . .	1 July 1998
Mali . . . . .	10 October 1990
Mozambique . . . . .	16 May 2002
Myanmar . . . . .	21 August 2002
Namibia . . . . .	23 December 1997
Pakistan . . . . .	11 April 2001
Papua New Guinea . . . . .	11 February 2000
Republic of Moldova . . . . .	31 July 1999
Saint Lucia . . . . .	7 November 1987
Samoa . . . . .	25 October 1997
Seychelles . . . . .	4 June 1997
Sierra Leone . . . . .	11 December 1993
Slovakia . . . . .	27 June 1998
South Africa . . . . .	14 January 2001
Tajikistan . . . . .	25 October 1998
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia . . . . .	17 February 1999
Togo . . . . .	26 October 1988
Turkmenistan . . . . .	31 May 2002
Uzbekistan . . . . .	18 August 2000
Vanuatu . . . . .	8 October 2000
Zimbabwe . . . . .	12 June 1996

*State party**Date due***C. Third periodic reports**

Armenia .....	13 September 2002
Bahamas .....	5 November 2002
Belize .....	15 June 1999
Benin .....	11 April 2001
Bolivia .....	7 July 1999
Bosnia and Herzegovina .....	1 October 2002
Burundi .....	7 February 2001
Cambodia .....	14 November 2001
Cape Verde .....	3 September 1990
Central African Republic .....	21 July 2000
Croatia .....	9 October 2001
Cyprus .....	22 August 1994
Czech Republic .....	24 March 2001
Dominica .....	3 September 1990
Gabon .....	20 February 1992
Ghana .....	1 February 1995
Grenada .....	29 September 1999
Guinea-Bissau .....	22 September 1994
Guyana .....	3 September 1990
Haiti .....	3 September 1990
India .....	8 August 2002
Jordan .....	31 July 2001
Latvia .....	24 May 2001
Liberia .....	16 August 1993
Lithuania .....	17 February 2003
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....	15 June 1998
Madagascar .....	16 April 1998
Malawi .....	11 April 1996
Maldives .....	1 July 2002
Mali .....	10 October 1994
Mauritius .....	8 August 1993
Morocco .....	21 July 2002

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Namibia.....	23 December 2001
Paraguay.....	6 May 1996
Saint Lucia.....	7 November 1991
Samoa.....	25 October 2001
Senegal.....	7 March 1994
Seychelles.....	4 June 2001
Sierra Leone.....	11 December 1997
Slovakia.....	27 June 2002
Suriname.....	13 March 2002
Tajikistan.....	25 October 2002
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.....	17 February 2003
Togo.....	26 October 1992
Zimbabwe.....	12 June 2000

#### **D. Fourth periodic reports**

Angola.....	17 October 1999
Antigua and Barbuda.....	13 August 2002
Australia.....	27 August 1996
Bhutan.....	30 September 1994
Bulgaria.....	10 March 1995
Burkina Faso.....	13 November 2000
Cape Verde.....	3 September 1994
Chile.....	6 January 2003
Cyprus.....	22 August 1998
Democratic Republic of the Congo.....	16 November 1999
Dominica.....	3 September 1994
Equatorial Guinea.....	22 November 1997
Gabon.....	20 February 1996
Ghana.....	1 February 1999
Guinea.....	8 September 1995
Guinea-Bissau.....	22 September 1998
Guyana.....	3 September 1994
Haiti.....	3 September 1994

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Honduras.....	2 April 1996
Indonesia.....	13 October 1997
Iraq.....	12 September 1999
Ireland.....	22 January 1999
Italy.....	10 July 1998
Liberia.....	16 August 1997
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.....	16 June 2002
Madagascar.....	16 April 2002
Malawi.....	11 April 2000
Mali.....	10 October 1998
Mauritius.....	8 August 1997
Panama.....	28 November 1994
Paraguay.....	6 May 2000
Poland.....	3 September 1994
Rwanda.....	3 September 1994
Saint Lucia.....	7 November 1995
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.....	3 September 1994
Senegal.....	7 March 1998
Sierra Leone.....	11 December 2001
Thailand.....	8 September 1998
Togo.....	26 October 1996
Trinidad and Tobago.....	11 February 2003
Turkey.....	19 January 1999
Turkmenistan.....	3 May 2000
Uganda.....	21 August 1998
United Republic of Tanzania.....	19 September 1998
Uruguay.....	8 November 1994
Venezuela.....	1 June 1996

#### **E. Fifth periodic reports**

Australia.....	27 August 2000
Barbados.....	3 September 1999
Belgium.....	9 August 2002

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Bhutan . . . . .	30 September 1998
Bulgaria . . . . .	10 March 1999
Cape Verde . . . . .	3 September 1998
China . . . . .	3 September 1998
Colombia . . . . .	18 February 1999
Cuba . . . . .	3 September 1998
Cyprus . . . . .	22 August 2002
Dominica . . . . .	3 September 1998
Equatorial Guinea . . . . .	22 November 2001
Gabon . . . . .	20 February 2000
Ghana . . . . .	1 February 2003
Guinea . . . . .	8 September 1999
Guinea-Bissau . . . . .	22 September 2002
Guyana . . . . .	3 September 1998
Haiti . . . . .	3 September 1998
Honduras . . . . .	2 April 2000
Iceland . . . . .	3 July 2002
Indonesia . . . . .	13 October 2001
Ireland . . . . .	22 January 2003
Italy . . . . .	10 July 2002
Jamaica . . . . .	18 November 2001
Kenya . . . . .	8 April 2001
Liberia . . . . .	16 August 2001
Mali . . . . .	10 October 2002
Mauritius . . . . .	8 August 2001
Mongolia . . . . .	3 September 1998
Panama . . . . .	28 November 1998
Philippines . . . . .	4 September 1998
Poland . . . . .	3 September 1998
Republic of Korea . . . . .	26 January 2002
Rwanda . . . . .	3 September 1998
Saint Kitts and Nevis . . . . .	25 September 2002
Saint Lucia . . . . .	7 November 1999



<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines . . . . .	3 September 1998
Senegal . . . . .	7 March 2002
Spain . . . . .	4 February 2001
Sri Lanka . . . . .	4 November 1998
Thailand . . . . .	8 September 2002
Togo . . . . .	26 October 2000
Tunisia . . . . .	20 October 2002
Turkey . . . . .	19 January 2003
Uganda . . . . .	12 August 2002
United Republic of Tanzania . . . . .	19 September 2002
Uruguay . . . . .	8 November 1998
Venezuela . . . . .	1 June 2000
Viet Nam . . . . .	19 March 1999
Zambia . . . . .	21 July 2002

#### **F. Sixth periodic reports**

Austria . . . . .	30 April 2003
Bhutan . . . . .	30 September 2002
Bulgaria . . . . .	10 March 2003
Cape Verde . . . . .	3 September 2002
China . . . . .	3 September 2002
Colombia . . . . .	18 February 2003
Cuba . . . . .	3 September 2002
Dominica . . . . .	3 September 2002
Ecuador . . . . .	9 December 2002
Egypt . . . . .	9 October 2002
El Salvador . . . . .	18 September 2002
Ethiopia . . . . .	10 October 2002
Guyana . . . . .	3 September 2002
Haiti . . . . .	3 September 2002
Hungary . . . . .	3 September 2002
Lao People's Democratic Republic . . . . .	13 September 2002
Mexico . . . . .	3 September 2002

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Mongolia.....	3 September 2002
Nicaragua.....	26 November 2002
Norway.....	3 September 2002
Panama.....	28 November 2002
Philippines.....	4 September 2002
Poland.....	3 September 2002
Portugal.....	3 September 2002
Romania.....	6 February 2003
Russian Federation.....	3 September 2002
Rwanda.....	3 September 2002
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.....	3 September 2002
Sri Lanka.....	4 November 2002
Sweden.....	3 September 2002
Ukraine.....	3 September 2002
Uruguay.....	8 November 2002
Viet Nam.....	19 March 2003

## Annex II

### States parties whose reports have been submitted but not yet considered by the Committee as at 1 May 2003

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>
<b>A. Initial reports</b>			
Angola	17 October 1987	2 May 2002	CEDAW/C/AGO/1-3
Benin	11 April 1993	27 June 2002	CEDAW/C/BEN/1-2
Bhutan <sup>a</sup>	30 September 1982	2 January 2003	CEDAW/C/BTN/1-3
Democratic People's Republic of Korea <sup>a</sup>	27 March 2002	11 September 2002	CEDAW/C/PRK/1
Gambia	16 May 1994	4 April 2003	CEDAW/C/GMB/1-3
Kuwait <sup>a</sup>	2 October 1995	15 August 2002	CEDAW/C/KWT/1-2
Lao Peoples' Democratic Republic	13 September 1982	3 February 2002	CEDAW/C/LAO/1-5
Malta	7 April 1992	1 August 2002	CEDAW/C/MLT/1-3
<b>B. Second periodic reports</b>			
Algeria	21 June 2001	29 January 2003	CEDAW/C/DZA/2
Angola	17 October 1991	2 May 2002	CEDAW/C/AGO/1-3
Benin	11 April 1997	27 June 2002	CEDAW/C/BEN/1-2
Bhutan <sup>a</sup>	30 September 1982	2 January 2003	CEDAW/C/BTN/1-3
Equatorial Guinea <sup>b</sup>	22 November 1989	6 January 1994	CEDAW/C/GNQ/2-3
Gambia	16 May 1998	4 April 2003	CEDAW/C/GMB/1-3
Kuwait <sup>a</sup>	2 October 1999	15 August 2002	CEDAW/C/KWT/1-2
Kyrgyzstan <sup>a,b</sup>	12 March 2002	25 September 2002	CEDAW/C/KRZ/2
Lao Peoples' Democratic Republic	13 September 1986	3 February 2002	CEDAW/C/LAO/1-5
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya <sup>b</sup>	15 June 1990	18 February 1999	CEDAW/C/LBY/2
Malta	7 April 1996	1 August 2002	CEDAW/C/MLT/1-3
Nepal <sup>a</sup>	22 May 1996	26 November 2002	CEDAW/C/NPL/2-3
<b>C. Third periodic reports</b>			
Angola	17 October 1995	2 May 2002	CEDAW/C/AGO/1-3
Bhutan <sup>a</sup>	30 September 1982	2 January 2003	CEDAW/C/BTN/1-3
Equatorial Guinea <sup>b</sup>	22 November 1993	6 January 1994	CEDAW/C/GNQ/2-3

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>
Gambia	16 May 2002	4 April 2003	CEDAW/C/GMB/1-3
Israel <sup>b</sup>	2 November 2000	22 October 2001	CEDAW/C/ISR/3
Lao Peoples' Democratic Republic	13 September 1990	3 February 2002	CEDAW/C/LAO/1-5
Malta	7 April 2000	1 August 2002	CEDAW/C/MLT/1-3
Nepal <sup>a</sup>	22 May 1996	26 November 2002	CEDAW/C/NPL/2-3
<b>D. Fourth periodic reports</b>			
Belarus <sup>a</sup>	3 September 1994	19 December 2002	CEDAW/C/BLR/4-6
Ethiopia <sup>a,b</sup>	10 October 1994	25 September 2002	CEDAW/C/ETH/4-5
Lao Peoples' Democratic Republic	13 September 1994	3 February 2002	CEDAW/C/LAO/1-5
Nigeria <sup>a</sup>	13 August 1998	23 January 2003	CEDAW/C/NGA/4-5
<b>E. Fifth periodic reports</b>			
Bangladesh <sup>b</sup>	6 December 2001	27 December 2002	CEDAW/C/BGD/5
Belarus <sup>a</sup>	3 September 1998	19 December 2002	CEDAW/C/BLR/4-6
Dominican Republic	2 September 1999	11 April 2003	CEDAW/C/DOM/5
Ethiopia <sup>a,b</sup>	10 October 1998	25 September 2002	CEDAW/C/ETH/4-5
Germany <sup>a</sup>	9 August 2002	28 January 2003	CEDAW/C/DEU/5
Lao Peoples' Democratic Republic	13 September 1998	3 February 2002	CEDAW/C/LAO/1-5
Nigeria <sup>a</sup>	13 August 2002	11 April 2003	CEDAW/C/NGA/4-5
Spain	4 February 2001	23 January 2003	CEDAW/C/ESP/5
<b>F. Sixth periodic reports</b>			
Belarus <sup>a</sup>	3 September 2002	19 December 2002	CEDAW/C/BLR/4-6

<sup>a</sup> Report to be considered by the Committee at its thirtieth session, to be held in New York in January 2004.

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