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**STATUS OF THE CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE  
DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, STOCKPILING AND USE OF  
CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION**

THE CONVENTION ENTERED INTO FORCE ON 29 APRIL 1997

**SUMMARY as of 26 June 1998**

Number of States Parties: 110  
Number of signatory States which have not yet ratified: 56

**States Parties:**

1. Albania	Ethiopia	60. Mauritania	89. Slovakia
Algeria	31. Fiji	61. Mauritius	90. Slovenia
Argentina	32. Finland	62. Mexico	91. South Africa
Armenia	33. France	63. Monaco	92. Spain
Australia	34. Gambia	64. Mongolia	93. Sri Lanka
Austria	35. Georgia	65. Morocco	94. Suriname
Bahrain	36. Germany	66. Namibia	95. Swaziland
Bangladesh	37. Ghana	67. Nepal	96. Sweden
Belarus	38. Greece	68. Netherlands	97. Switzerland
Belgium	39. Guinea	69. New Zealand	98. Tajikistan
Benin	40. Guyana	70. Niger	99. The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	41. Hungary	71. Norway	100. Togo
Brazil	42. Iceland	72. Oman	101. Trinidad and Tobago
Brunei Darussalam	43. India	73. Pakistan	102. Tunisia
Bulgaria	44. Iran (Islamic Republic of)	74. Papua New Guinea	103. Turkey
Burkina Faso	45. Ireland	75. Paraguay	104. Turkmenistan
Cameroon	46. Italy	76. Peru	105. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Canada	47. Japan	77. Philippines	106. United States of America
Chile	48. Jordan	78. Poland	107. Uruguay
China	49. Kenya	79. Portugal	108. Uzbekistan
Cook Islands	50. Kuwait	80. Qatar	109. Venezuela
Costa Rica	51. Lao People's Democratic Republic	81. Republic of Korea	110. Zimbabwe
Côte d'Ivoire	52. Latvia	82. Republic of Moldova	
Croatia	53. Lesotho	83. Romania	
Cuba	54. Lithuania	84. Russian Federation	
Czech Republic	55. Luxembourg	85. Saint Lucia	
Denmark	56. Maldives	86. Saudi Arabia	<b>EIF pending:</b>
Ecuador	57. Mali	87. Seychelles	1. Malawi (EIF 11-07-98)
El Salvador	58. Malta	88. Singapore	2. United Republic of Tanzania (EIF 25-07-98)

## INTRODUCTORY NOTE

1. The text of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction was adopted in Geneva on 3 September 1992 by the Conference on Disarmament,<sup>1</sup> which transmitted it to the United Nations General Assembly at its Forty-Seventh Session. The General Assembly commended the Convention and requested the Secretary-General, as Depositary, to open it for signature in Paris on 13 January 1993<sup>2</sup>. The Convention was open for signature in Paris from 13 to 15 January 1993 and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters, New York, until 29 April 1997. By that date the Convention had received 165 signatures. The Convention entered into force on 29 April 1997. States which did not sign the Convention before its entry into force may accede to it at any time.
2. For States which ratify or accede to the Convention after the date of entry into force, the Convention enters into force on the thirtieth day after the date of the deposit of the instrument of ratification or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary.
3. This document contains information concerning the dates of signature, ratification and accession received by the Depositary and notified to the Secretariat of the OPCW (by 26 June 1998). The dates in the column on deposit are those of the receipt by the Depositary of the instrument of ratification or accession.
4. The information is presented in two tables: the first, listing all signatory and acceding States in alphabetical order; and the second, listing signatory States which have not yet ratified the Convention.

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<sup>1</sup> Report of the Conference on Disarmament, Official Records of the General Assembly, 47<sup>th</sup> Session, Supplement no. 27 (A/47/27), paragraphs 73-74.

<sup>2</sup> A/RES/47/39 of 16 December 1992.

**Table 1**

**LIST OF ALL SIGNATORY, RATIFYING AND ACCEDING STATES  
as of 26 June 1998**

No.	State	Signature <sup>3</sup>	Deposit <sup>4</sup>	Entry into force
1.	Afghanistan	14-01-93		
2.	Albania	14-01-93	11-05-94	29-04-97
3.	Algeria	13-01-93	14-08-95	29-04-97
4.	Argentina	13-01-93	02-10-95	29-04-97
5.	Armenia	19-03-93	27-01-95	29-04-97
6.	Australia	13-01-93	06-05-94	29-04-97
7.	Austria	13-01-93	17-08-95	29-04-97
8.	Azerbaijan	13-01-93		
9.	Bahamas	02-03-94		
10.	Bahrain	24-02-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
11.	Bangladesh	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
12.	Belarus	14-01-93	11-07-96	29-04-97
13.	Belgium	13-01-93	27-01-97	29-04-97
14.	Benin	14-01-93	14-05-98	13-06-98
15.	Bhutan	24-04-97		
16.	Bolivia	14-01-93		
17.	Bosnia and Herzegovina	16-01-97	25-02-97	29-04-97
18.	Brazil	13-01-93	13-03-96	29-04-97
19.	Brunei Darussalam	13-01-93	28-07-97	27-08-97
20.	Bulgaria	13-01-93	10-08-94	29-04-97
21.	Burkina Faso	14-01-93	08-07-97	07-08-97
22.	Burundi	15-01-93		
23.	Cambodia	15-01-93		
24.	Cameroon	14-01-93	16-09-96	29-04-97
25.	Canada	13-01-93	26-09-95	29-04-97
26.	Cape Verde	15-01-93		
27.	Central African Republic	14-01-93		
28.	Chad	11-10-94		
29.	Chile	14-01-93	12-07-96	29-04-97
30.	China	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
31.	Colombia	13-01-93		
32.	Comoros	13-01-93		
33.	Congo	15-01-93		
34.	Cook Islands	14-01-93	15-07-94	29-04-97
35.	Costa Rica	14-01-93	31-05-96	29-04-97
36.	Côte d'Ivoire	13-01-93	18-12-95	29-04-97
37.	Croatia	13-01-93	23-05-95	29-04-97
38.	Cuba	13-01-93	29-04-97	29-05-97
39.	Cyprus	13-01-93		
40.	Czech Republic	14-01-93	06-03-96	29-04-97
41.	Democratic Republic of the Congo	14-01-93		

<sup>3</sup> Signatures affixed on the original of the Convention deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary.

<sup>4</sup> Instruments of accession (“[a]”) deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary.

No.	State	Signature <sup>3</sup>	Deposit <sup>4</sup>	Entry into force
42.	Denmark	14-01-93	13-07-95	29-04-97
43.	Djibouti	28-09-93		
44.	Dominica	02-08-93		
45.	Dominican Republic	13-01-93		
46.	Ecuador	14-01-93	06-09-95	29-04-97
47.	El Salvador	14-01-93	30-10-95	29-04-97
48.	Equatorial Guinea	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
49.	Estonia	14-01-93		
50.	Ethiopia	14-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
51.	Fiji	14-01-93	20-01-93	29-04-97
52.	Finland	14-01-93	07-02-95	29-04-97
53.	France	13-01-93	02-03-95	29-04-97
54.	Gabon	13-01-93		
55.	Gambia	13-01-93	19-05-98	18-06-98
56.	Georgia	14-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
57.	Germany	13-01-93	12-08-94	29-04-97
58.	Ghana	14-01-93	09-07-97	08-08-97
59.	Greece	13-01-93	22-12-94	29-04-97
60.	Grenada	09-04-97		
61.	Guatemala	14-01-93		
62.	Guinea	14-01-93	09-06-97	09-07-97
63.	Guinea-Bissau	14-01-93		
64.	Guyana	06-10-93	12-09-97	12-10-97
65.	Haiti	14-01-93		
66.	Holy See	14-01-93		
67.	Honduras	13-01-93		
68.	Hungary	13-01-93	31-10-96	29-04-97
69.	Iceland	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
70.	India	14-01-93	03-09-96	29-04-97
71.	Indonesia	13-01-93		
72.	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	13-01-93	03-11-97	03-12-97
73.	Ireland	14-01-93	24-06-96	29-04-97
74.	Israel	13-01-93		
75.	Italy	13-01-93	08-12-95	29-04-97
76.	Jamaica	18-04-97		
77.	Japan	13-01-93	15-09-95	29-04-97
78.	Jordan		29-10-97 [a]	28-11-97
79.	Kazakhstan	14-01-93		
80.	Kenya	15-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
81.	Kuwait	27-01-93	29-05-97	28-06-97
82.	Kyrgyzstan	22-02-93		
83.	Lao People's Democratic Republic	13-05-93	25-02-97	29-04-97
84.	Latvia	06-05-93	23-07-96	29-04-97
85.	Lesotho	07-12-94	07-12-94	29-04-97
86.	Liberia	15-01-93		
87.	Liechtenstein	21-07-93		
88.	Lithuania	13-01-93	15-04-98	15-05-98
89.	Luxembourg	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
90.	Madagascar	15-01-93		
91.	Malawi	14-01-93	11-06-98	11-07-98
92.	Malaysia	13-01-93		
93.	Maldives	01-10-93	31-05-94	29-04-97
94.	Mali	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97

<b>No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Signature<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Deposit<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>Entry into force</b>
95.	Malta	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
96.	Marshall Islands	13-01-93		
97.	Mauritania	13-01-93	09-02-98	11-03-98
98.	Mauritius	14-01-93	09-02-93	29-04-97
99.	Mexico	13-01-93	29-08-94	29-04-97
100.	Micronesia (Federated States of)	13-01-93		
101.	Monaco	13-01-93	01-06-95	29-04-97
102.	Mongolia	14-01-93	17-01-95	29-04-97
103.	Morocco	13-01-93	28-12-95	29-04-97
104.	Myanmar	14-01-93		
105.	Namibia	13-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
106.	Nauru	13-01-93		
107.	Nepal	19-01-93	18-11-97	18-12-97
108.	Netherlands	14-01-93	30-06-95	29-04-97
109.	New Zealand	14-01-93	15-07-96	29-04-97
110.	Nicaragua	09-03-93		
111.	Niger	14-01-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
112.	Nigeria	13-01-93		
113.	Norway	13-01-93	07-04-94	29-04-97
114.	Oman	02-02-93	08-02-95	29-04-97
115.	Pakistan	13-01-93	28-10-97	27-11-97
116.	Panama	16-06-93		
117.	Papua New Guinea	14-01-93	17-04-96	29-04-97
118.	Paraguay	14-01-93	01-12-94	29-04-97
119.	Peru	14-01-93	20-07-95	29-04-97
120.	Philippines	13-01-93	11-12-96	29-04-97
121.	Poland	13-01-93	23-08-95	29-04-97
122.	Portugal	13-01-93	10-09-96	29-04-97
123.	Qatar	01-02-93	03-09-97	03-10-97
124.	Republic of Korea	14-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
125.	Republic of Moldova	13-01-93	08-07-96	29-04-97
126.	Romania	13-01-93	15-02-95	29-04-97
127.	Russian Federation	13-01-93	05-11-97	05-12-97
128.	Rwanda	17-05-93		
129.	Saint Kitts and Nevis	16-03-94		
130.	Saint Lucia	29-03-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
131.	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	20-09-93		
132.	Samoa	14-01-93		
133.	San Marino	13-01-93		
134.	Saudi Arabia	20-01-93	09-08-96	29-04-97
135.	Senegal	13-01-93		
136.	Seychelles	15-01-93	07-04-93	29-04-97
137.	Sierra Leone	15-01-93		
138.	Singapore	14-01-93	21-05-97	20-06-97
139.	Slovakia	14-01-93	27-10-95	29-04-97
140.	Slovenia	14-01-93	11-06-97	11-07-97
141.	South Africa	14-01-93	13-09-95	29-04-97
142.	Spain	13-01-93	03-08-94	29-04-97
143.	Sri Lanka	14-01-93	19-08-94	29-04-97
144.	Suriname	28-04-97	28-04-97	29-04-97
145.	Swaziland	23-09-93	20-11-96	29-04-97
146.	Sweden	13-01-93	17-06-93	29-04-97

<b>No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Signature<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Deposit<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>Entry into force</b>
147.	Switzerland	14-01-93	10-03-95	29-04-97
148.	Tajikistan	14-01-93	11-01-95	29-04-97
149.	Thailand	14-01-93		
150.	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		20-06-97 [a]	20-07-97
151.	Togo	13-01-93	23-04-97	29-04-97
152.	Trinidad and Tobago		24-06-97 [a]	24-07-97
153.	Tunisia	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
154.	Turkey	14-01-93	12-05-97	11-06-97
155.	Turkmenistan	12-10-93	29-09-94	29-04-97
156.	Uganda	14-01-93		
157.	Ukraine	13-01-93		
158.	United Arab Emirates	02-02-93		
159.	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	13-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
160.	United Republic of Tanzania	25-02-94	25-06-98	25-07-98
161.	United States of America	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
162.	Uruguay	15-01-93	06-10-94	29-04-97
163.	Uzbekistan	24-11-95	23-07-96	29-04-97
164.	Venezuela	14-01-93	03-12-97	02-01-98
165.	Viet Nam	13-01-93		
166.	Yemen	08-02-93		
167.	Zambia	13-01-93		
168.	Zimbabwe	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97

**Table 2**

**SIGNATORY STATES WHICH HAVE NOT YET RATIFIED THE  
CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
as of 26 June 1998**

Afghanistan	Jamaica
Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan
Bahamas	Kyrgyzstan
Bhutan	Liberia
Bolivia	Liechtenstein
Burundi	Madagascar
Cambodia	Malaysia
Cape Verde	Marshall Islands
Central African Republic	Micronesia (Federated States of)
Chad	Myanmar
Colombia	Nauru
Comoros	Nicaragua
Congo	Nigeria
Cyprus	Panama
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Rwanda
Djibouti	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Dominica	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Dominican Republic	Samoa
Estonia	San Marino
Gabon	Senegal
Grenada	Sierra Leone
Guatemala	Thailand
Guinea-Bissau	Uganda
Haiti	Ukraine
Holy See	United Arab Emirates
Honduras	Viet Nam
Indonesia	Yemen
Israel	Zambia