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STATUS OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION¹

SUMMARY as of 21 February 2001			
	Number of States Parties:		141
	Number of States which had deposited an instrument of accession or ratification and for which the Convention had not yet entered into force ² :		2
	Number of signatory States which had not yet ratified:		31
States Parties:			
1. Albania	38. Estonia	75. Maldives	111. Senegal
2. Algeria	39. Ethiopia	76. Mali	112. Seychelles
3. Argentina	40. Fed. Rep. of Yugoslavia	77. Malta	113. Singapore
4. Armenia	41. Fiji	78. Mauritania	114. Slovakia
5. Australia	42. Finland	79. Mauritius	115. Slovenia
6. Austria	43. France	80. Mexico	116. South Africa
7. Azerbaijan	44. Gabon	81. Micronesia (Federated States of)	117. Spain
8. Bahrain	45. Gambia	82. Monaco	118. Sri Lanka
9. Bangladesh	46. Georgia	83. Mongolia	119. Sudan
10. Belarus	47. Germany	84. Morocco	120. Suriname
11. Belgium	48. Ghana	85. Mozambique	121. Swaziland
12. Benin	49. Greece	86. Namibia	122. Sweden
13. Bolivia	50. Guinea	87. Nepal	123. Switzerland
14. Bosnia and Herzegovina	51. Guyana	88. Netherlands	124. Tajikistan
15. Botswana	52. Holy See	89. New Zealand	125. The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
16. Brazil	53. Hungary	90. Nicaragua	126. Togo
17. Brunei Darussalam	54. Iceland	91. Niger	127. Trinidad and Tobago
18. Bulgaria	55. India	92. Nigeria	128. Tunisia
19. Burkina Faso	56. Indonesia	93. Norway	129. Turkey
20. Burundi	57. Iran (Islamic Republic of)	94. Oman	130. Turkmenistan
21. Cameroon	58. Ireland	95. Pakistan	131. Ukraine
22. Canada	59. Italy	96. Panama	132. United Arab Emirates
23. Chile	60. Jamaica	97. Papua New Guinea	133. United Kingdom of Great Britain and N. Ireland
24. China	61. Japan	98. Paraguay	134. United Republic of Tanzania
25. Colombia	62. Jordan	99. Peru	135. United States of America
26. Cook Islands	63. Kazakhstan	100. Philippines	136. Uruguay
27. Costa Rica	64. Kenya	101. Poland	137. Uzbekistan
28. Côte d'Ivoire	65. Kiribati	102. Portugal	138. Venezuela
29. Croatia	66. Kuwait	103. Qatar	139. Viet Nam
30. Cuba	67. Lao People's Dem. Rep.	104. Republic of Korea	140. Yemen
31. Cyprus	68. Latvia	105. Republic of Moldova	141. Zimbabwe
32. Czech Republic	69. Lesotho	106. Romania	
33. Denmark	70. Liechtenstein	107. Russian Federation	
34. Ecuador	71. Lithuania	108. Saint Lucia	EIF pending :
35. El Salvador	72. Luxembourg	109. San Marino	1. Zambia (EIF 11-03-01)
36. Equatorial Guinea	73. Malawi	110. Saudi Arabia	2. Dominica (EIF 14-03-01)
37. Eritrea	74. Malaysia		

¹ The Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, which entered into force on 29 April 1997.

² Article XXI, paragraph 2, of the Convention (the Convention enters into force on the 30th day following the date of deposit of the instrument of ratification or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations in his capacity as Depository).

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,³ which transmitted it to the United Nations General Assembly at its Forty-Seventh Session. The General Assembly commended the Convention and requested the United Nations Secretary-General, as Depositary, to open it for signature in Paris on 13 January 1993⁴. 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 entry into force may accede to it at any time thereafter.
2. For States which ratify or accede to the Convention after 29 April 1997, the Convention enters into force for that State 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 [21 February 2001](#). 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 parties to the Convention in alphabetical order; and the second, listing signatory States which have not yet ratified the Convention.

³ Report of the Conference on Disarmament, Official Records of the General Assembly, 47th Session, Supplement no. 27 (A/47/27), paragraphs 73 -74.

⁴ A/RES/47/39 of 16 December 1992.

Table 1

**PARTIES TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION
as of 21 February 2001**

No.	State	Signature ⁵	Deposit ⁶	Entry into force
1.	Albania	14-01-93	11-05-94	29-04-97
2.	Algeria	13-01-93	14-08-95	29-04-97
3.	Argentina	13-01-93	02-10-95	29-04-97
4.	Armenia	19-03-93	27-01-95	29-04-97
5.	Australia	13-01-93	06-05-94	29-04-97
6.	Austria	13-01-93	17-08-95	29-04-97
7.	Azerbaijan	13-01-93	29-02-00	30-03-00
8.	Bahrain	24-02-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
9.	Bangladesh	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
10.	Belarus	14-01-93	11-07-96	29-04-97
11.	Belgium	13-01-93	27-01-97	29-04-97
12.	Benin	14-01-93	14-05-98	13-06-98
13.	Bolivia	14-01-93	14-08-98	13-09-98
14.	Bosnia and Herzegovina	16-01-97	25-02-97	29-04-97
15.	Botswana		31-08-98[a]	30-09-98
16.	Brazil	13-01-93	13-03-96	29-04-97
17.	Brunei Darussalam	13-01-93	28-07-97	27-08-97
18.	Bulgaria	13-01-93	10-08-94	29-04-97
19.	Burkina Faso	14-01-93	08-07-97	07-08-97
20.	Burundi	15-01-93	04-09-98	04-10-98
21.	Cameroon	14-01-93	16-09-96	29-04-97
22.	Canada	13-01-93	26-09-95	29-04-97
23.	Chile	14-01-93	12-07-96	29-04-97
24.	China	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
25.	Colombia	13-01-93	05-04-00	05-05-00
26.	Cook Islands	14-01-93	15-07-94	29-04-97
27.	Costa Rica	14-01-93	31-05-96	29-04-97
28.	Côte d'Ivoire	13-01-93	18-12-95	29-04-97
29.	Croatia	13-01-93	23-05-95	29-04-97
30.	Cuba	13-01-93	29-04-97	29-05-97
31.	Cyprus	13-01-93	28-08-98	27-09-98
32.	Czech Republic	14-01-93	06-03-96	29-04-97
33.	Denmark	14-01-93	13-07-95	29-04-97
34.	Dominica	02-08-93	12-02-01	14-03-01
35.	Ecuador	14-01-93	06-09-95	29-04-97
36.	El Salvador	14-01-93	30-10-95	29-04-97
37.	Equatorial Guinea	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
38.	Eritrea		14-02-00 [a]	15-03-00
39.	Estonia	14-01-93	26-05-99	25-06-99
40.	Ethiopia	14-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
41.	Federal Republic of Yugoslavia		20-04-00 [a]	20-05-00
42.	Fiji	14-01-93	20-01-93	29-04-97
43.	Finland	14-01-93	07-02-95	29-04-97

⁵ Signatures affixed on the original of the Convention received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary.

⁶ The date of deposit is the date on which the instrument of accession or ratification is received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary. Throughout this table, “[a]” means “deposit of instrument of accession”.

No.	State	Signature ⁵	Deposit ⁶	Entry into force
44.	France	13-01-93	02-03-95	29-04-97
45.	Gabon	13-01-93	08-09-00	08-10-00
46.	Gambia	13-01-93	19-05-98	18-06-98
47.	Georgia	14-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
48.	Germany	13-01-93	12-08-94	29-04-97
49.	Ghana	14-01-93	09-07-97	08-08-97
50.	Greece	13-01-93	22-12-94	29-04-97
51.	Guinea	14-01-93	09-06-97	09-07-97
52.	Guyana	06-10-93	12-09-97	12-10-97
53.	Holy See	14-01-93	12-05-99	11-06-99
54.	Hungary	13-01-93	31-10-96	29-04-97
55.	Iceland	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
56.	India	14-01-93	03-09-96	29-04-97
57.	Indonesia	13-01-93	12-11-98	12-12-98
58.	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	13-01-93	03-11-97	03-12-97
59.	Ireland	14-01-93	24-06-96	29-04-97
60.	Italy	13-01-93	08-12-95	29-04-97
61.	Jamaica	18-04-97	08-09-00	08-10-00
62.	Japan	13-01-93	15-09-95	29-04-97
63.	Jordan		29-10-97 [a]	28-11-97
64.	Kazakhstan	14-01-93	23-03-00	22-04-00
65.	Kenya	15-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
66.	Kiribati		07-09-00 [a]	07-10-00
67.	Kuwait	27-01-93	29-05-97	28-06-97
68.	Lao People's Democratic Republic	13-05-93	25-02-97	29-04-97
69.	Latvia	06-05-93	23-07-96	29-04-97
70.	Lesotho	07-12-94	07-12-94	29-04-97
71.	Liechtenstein	21-07-93	24-11-99	24-12-99
72.	Lithuania	13-01-93	15-04-98	15-05-98
73.	Luxembourg	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
74.	Malawi	14-01-93	11-06-98	11-07-98
75.	Malaysia	13-01-93	20-04-00	20-05-00
76.	Maldives	01-10-93	31-05-94	29-04-97
77.	Mali	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
78.	Malta	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
79.	Mauritania	13-01-93	09-02-98	11-03-98
80.	Mauritius	14-01-93	09-02-93	29-04-97
81.	Mexico	13-01-93	29-08-94	29-04-97
82.	Micronesia (Federated States of)	13-01-93	21-06-99	21-07-99
83.	Monaco	13-01-93	01-06-95	29-04-97
84.	Mongolia	14-01-93	17-01-95	29-04-97
85.	Morocco	13-01-93	28-12-95	29-04-97
86.	Mozambique		15-08-00 [a]	14-09-00
87.	Namibia	13-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
88.	Nepal	19-01-93	18-11-97	18-12-97
89.	Netherlands	14-01-93	30-06-95	29-04-97
90.	New Zealand	14-01-93	15-07-96	29-04-97
91.	Nicaragua	09-03-93	05-11-99	05-12-99
92.	Niger	14-01-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
93.	Nigeria	13-01-93	20-05-99	19-06-99
94.	Norway	13-01-93	07-04-94	29-04-97
95.	Oman	02-02-93	08-02-95	29-04-97
96.	Pakistan	13-01-93	28-10-97	27-11-97
97.	Panama	16-06-93	07-10-98	06-11-98

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98.	Papua New Guinea	14-01-93	17-04-96	29-04-97
99.	Paraguay	14-01-93	01-12-94	29-04-97
100.	Peru	14-01-93	20-07-95	29-04-97
101.	Philippines	13-01-93	11-12-96	29-04-97
102.	Poland	13-01-93	23-08-95	29-04-97
103.	Portugal	13-01-93	10-09-96	29-04-97
104.	Qatar	01-02-93	03-09-97	03-10-97
105.	Republic of Korea	14-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
106.	Republic of Moldova	13-01-93	08-07-96	29-04-97
107.	Romania	13-01-93	15-02-95	29-04-97
108.	Russian Federation	13-01-93	05-11-97	05-12-97
109.	Saint Lucia	29-03-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
110.	San Marino	13-01-93	10-12-99	09-01-00
111.	Saudi Arabia	20-01-93	09-08-96	29-04-97
112.	Senegal	13-01-93	20-07-98	19-08-98
113.	Seychelles	15-01-93	07-04-93	29-04-97
114.	Singapore	14-01-93	21-05-97	20-06-97
115.	Slovakia	14-01-93	27-10-95	29-04-97
116.	Slovenia	14-01-93	11-06-97	11-07-97
117.	South Africa	14-01-93	13-09-95	29-04-97
118.	Spain	13-01-93	03-08-94	29-04-97
119.	Sri Lanka	14-01-93	19-08-94	29-04-97
120.	Sudan		24-05-99 [a]	23-06-99
121.	Suriname	28-04-97	28-04-97	29-04-97
122.	Swaziland	23-09-93	20-11-96	29-04-97
123.	Sweden	13-01-93	17-06-93	29-04-97
124.	Switzerland	14-01-93	10-03-95	29-04-97
125.	Tajikistan	14-01-93	11-01-95	29-04-97
126.	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		20-06-97 [a]	20-07-97
127.	Togo	13-01-93	23-04-97	29-04-97
128.	Trinidad and Tobago		24-06-97 [a]	24-07-97
129.	Tunisia	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
130.	Turkey	14-01-93	12-05-97	11-06-97
131.	Turkmenistan	12-10-93	29-09-94	29-04-97
132.	Ukraine	13-01-93	16-10-98	15-11-98
133.	United Arab Emirates	02-02-93	28-11-00	28-12-00
134.	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	13-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
135.	United Republic of Tanzania	25-02-94	25-06-98	25-07-98
136.	United States of America	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
137.	Uruguay	15-01-93	06-10-94	29-04-97
138.	Uzbekistan	24-11-95	23-07-96	29-04-97
139.	Venezuela	14-01-93	03-12-97	02-01-98
140.	Viet Nam	13-01-93	30-09-98	30-10-98
141.	Yemen	08-02-93	02-10-00	01-11-00
142.	Zambia	13-01-93	09-02-01	11-03-01
143.	Zimbabwe	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97

Table 2

**SIGNATORY STATES WHICH HAD NOT YET RATIFIED
THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION
as of 21 February 2001**

No.	State	Signature
1.	Afghanistan	14-01-93
2.	Bahamas	02-03-94
3.	Bhutan	24-04-97
4.	Cambodia	15-01-93
5.	Cape Verde	15-01-93
6.	Central African Republic	14-01-93
7.	Chad	11-10-94
8.	Comoros	13-01-93
9.	Congo	15-01-93
10.	Democratic Republic of the Congo	14-01-93
11.	Djibouti	28-09-93
12.	Dominican Republic	13-01-93
13.	Grenada	09-04-97
14.	Guatemala	14-01-93
15.	Guinea-Bissau	14-01-93
16.	Haiti	14-01-93
17.	Honduras	13-01-93
18.	Israel	13-01-93
19.	Kyrgyzstan	22-02-93
20.	Liberia	15-01-93
21.	Madagascar	15-01-93
22.	Marshall Islands	13-01-93
23.	Myanmar	14-01-93
24.	Nauru	13-01-93
25.	Rwanda	17-05-93
26.	Saint Kitts and Nevis	16-03-94
27.	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	20-09-93
28.	Samoa	14-01-93
29.	Sierra Leone	15-01-93
30.	Thailand	14-01-93
31.	Uganda	14-01-93