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STATUS OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION¹

SUMMARY as of 17 August 2000			
Number of States Parties:		135	
Number of States which had deposited an instrument of accession or ratification and for which the Convention had not yet entered into force ² :		1	
Number of signatory States which had not yet ratified:		37	
States Parties:			
1. Albania	37. Eritrea	73. Mali	108. Seychelles
2. Algeria	38. Estonia	74. Malta	109. Singapore
3. Argentina	39. Ethiopia	75. Mauritania	110. Slovakia
4. Armenia	40. Fed. Rep. of Yugoslavia	76. Mauritius	111. Slovenia
5. Australia	41. Fiji	77. Mexico	112. South Africa
6. Austria	42. Finland	78. Micronesia (Federated States of)	113. Spain
7. Azerbaijan	43. France	79. Monaco	114. Sri Lanka
8. Bahrain	44. Gambia	80. Mongolia	115. Sudan
9. Bangladesh	45. Georgia	81. Morocco	116. Suriname
10. Belarus	46. Germany	82. Namibia	117. Swaziland
11. Belgium	47. Ghana	83. Nepal	118. Sweden
12. Benin	48. Greece	84. Netherlands	119. Switzerland
13. Bolivia	49. Guinea	85. New Zealand	120. Tajikistan
14. Bosnia and Herzegovina	50. Guyana		121. The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
15. Botswana	51. Holy See	86. Nicaragua	122. Togo
16. Brazil	52. Hungary	87. Niger	123. Trinidad and Tobago
17. Brunei Darussalam	53. Iceland	88. Nigeria	124. Tunisia
18. Bulgaria	54. India	89. Norway	125. Turkey
19. Burkina Faso	55. Indonesia	90. Oman	126. Turkmenistan
20. Burundi	56. Iran (Islamic Republic of)	91. Pakistan	127. Ukraine
21. Cameroon	57. Ireland	92. Panama	128. United Kingdom of Great Britain and N. Ireland
22. Canada	58. Italy	93. Papua New Guinea	129. United Republic of Tanzania
23. Chile	59. Japan	94. Paraguay	130. United States of America
24. China	60. Jordan	95. Peru	131. Uruguay
25. Colombia	61. Kazakhstan	96. Philippines	132. Uzbekistan
26. Cook Islands	62. Kenya	97. Poland	133. Venezuela
27. Costa Rica	63. Kuwait	98. Portugal	134. Viet Nam
28. Côte d'Ivoire	64. Lao People's Dem. Rep.	99. Qatar	135. Zimbabwe
29. Croatia	65. Latvia	100. Republic of Korea	
30. Cuba	66. Lesotho	101. Republic of Moldova	
31. Cyprus	67. Liechtenstein	102. Romania	
32. Czech Republic	68. Lithuania	103. Russian Federation	
33. Denmark	69. Luxembourg	104. Saint Lucia	
34. Ecuador	70. Malawi	105. San Marino	
35. El Salvador	71. Malaysia	106. Saudi Arabia	
36. Equatorial Guinea	72. Maldives	107. Senegal	

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 Depositary).

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 17 August 2000). 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 17 August 2000

No.	State	Signature ⁶	Deposit ⁷	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

⁶ Signatures affixed on the original of the Convention received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary.

⁷ 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	Signature⁶	Deposit⁷	Entry into force
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.	Ecuador	14-01-93	06-09-95	29-04-97
35.	El Salvador	14-01-93	30-10-95	29-04-97
36.	Equatorial Guinea	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
37.	Eritrea		14-02-00 [a]	15-03-00
38.	Estonia	14-01-93	26-05-99	25-06-99
39.	Ethiopia	14-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
40.	Federal Republic of Yugoslavia		20-04-00 [a]	20-05-00
41.	Fiji	14-01-93	20-01-93	29-04-97
42.	Finland	14-01-93	07-02-95	29-04-97
43.	France	13-01-93	02-03-95	29-04-97
44.	Gambia	13-01-93	19-05-98	18-06-98
45.	Georgia	14-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
46.	Germany	13-01-93	12-08-94	29-04-97
47.	Ghana	14-01-93	09-07-97	08-08-97
48.	Greece	13-01-93	22-12-94	29-04-97

No.	State	Signature⁶	Deposit⁷	Entry into force
49.	Guinea	14-01-93	09-06-97	09-07-97
50.	Guyana	06-10-93	12-09-97	12-10-97
51.	Holy See	14-01-93	12-05-99	11-06-99
52.	Hungary	13-01-93	31-10-96	29-04-97
53.	Iceland	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
54.	India	14-01-93	03-09-96	29-04-97
55.	Indonesia	13-01-93	12-11-98	12-12-98
56.	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	13-01-93	03-11-97	03-12-97
57.	Ireland	14-01-93	24-06-96	29-04-97
58.	Italy	13-01-93	08-12-95	29-04-97
59.	Japan	13-01-93	15-09-95	29-04-97
60.	Jordan		29-10-97 [a]	28-11-97
61.	Kazakhstan	14-01-93	23-03-00	22-04-00
62.	Kenya	15-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
63.	Kuwait	27-01-93	29-05-97	28-06-97
64.	Lao People's Democratic Republic	13-05-93	25-02-97	29-04-97
65.	Latvia	06-05-93	23-07-96	29-04-97
66.	Lesotho	07-12-94	07-12-94	29-04-97
67.	Liechtenstein	21-07-93	24-11-99	24-12-99
68.	Lithuania	13-01-93	15-04-98	15-05-98
69.	Luxembourg	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
70.	Malawi	14-01-93	11-06-98	11-07-98
71.	Malaysia	13-01-93	20-04-00	20-05-00
72.	Maldives	01-10-93	31-05-94	29-04-97
73.	Mali	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
74.	Malta	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
75.	Mauritania	13-01-93	09-02-98	11-03-98

No.	State	Signature⁶	Deposit⁷	Entry into force
76.	Mauritius	14-01-93	09-02-93	29-04-97
77.	Mexico	13-01-93	29-08-94	29-04-97
78.	Micronesia (Federated States of)	13-01-93	21-06-99	21-07-99
79.	Monaco	13-01-93	01-06-95	29-04-97
80.	Mongolia	14-01-93	17-01-95	29-04-97
81.	Morocco	13-01-93	28-12-95	29-04-97
82.	Mozambique		15-08-00 [a]	14-09-00
83.	Namibia	13-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
84.	Nepal	19-01-93	18-11-97	18-12-97
85.	Netherlands	14-01-93	30-06-95	29-04-97
86.	New Zealand	14-01-93	15-07-96	29-04-97
87.	Nicaragua	09-03-93	05-11-99	05-12-99
88.	Niger	14-01-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
89.	Nigeria	13-01-93	20-05-99	19-06-99
90.	Norway	13-01-93	07-04-94	29-04-97
91.	Oman	02-02-93	08-02-95	29-04-97
92.	Pakistan	13-01-93	28-10-97	27-11-97
93.	Panama	16-06-93	07-10-98	06-11-98
94.	Papua New Guinea	14-01-93	17-04-96	29-04-97
95.	Paraguay	14-01-93	01-12-94	29-04-97
96.	Peru	14-01-93	20-07-95	29-04-97
97.	Philippines	13-01-93	11-12-96	29-04-97
98.	Poland	13-01-93	23-08-95	29-04-97
99.	Portugal	13-01-93	10-09-96	29-04-97
100.	Qatar	01-02-93	03-09-97	03-10-97
101.	Republic of Korea	14-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
102.	Republic of Moldova	13-01-93	08-07-96	29-04-97

No.	State	Signature⁶	Deposit⁷	Entry into force
103.	Romania	13-01-93	15-02-95	29-04-97
104.	Russian Federation	13-01-93	05-11-97	05-12-97
105.	Saint Lucia	29-03-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
106.	San Marino	13-01-93	10-12-99	09-01-00
107.	Saudi Arabia	20-01-93	09-08-96	29-04-97
108.	Senegal	13-01-93	20-07-98	19-08-98
109.	Seychelles	15-01-93	07-04-93	29-04-97
110.	Singapore	14-01-93	21-05-97	20-06-97
111.	Slovakia	14-01-93	27-10-95	29-04-97
112.	Slovenia	14-01-93	11-06-97	11-07-97
113.	South Africa	14-01-93	13-09-95	29-04-97
114.	Spain	13-01-93	03-08-94	29-04-97
115.	Sri Lanka	14-01-93	19-08-94	29-04-97
116.	Sudan		24-05-99 [a]	23-06-99
117.	Suriname	28-04-97	28-04-97	29-04-97
118.	Swaziland	23-09-93	20-11-96	29-04-97
119.	Sweden	13-01-93	17-06-93	29-04-97
120.	Switzerland	14-01-93	10-03-95	29-04-97
121.	Tajikistan	14-01-93	11-01-95	29-04-97
122.	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		20-06-97 [a]	20-07-97
123.	Togo	13-01-93	23-04-97	29-04-97
124.	Trinidad and Tobago		24-06-97 [a]	24-07-97
125.	Tunisia	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
126.	Turkey	14-01-93	12-05-97	11-06-97
127.	Turkmenistan	12-10-93	29-09-94	29-04-97
128.	Ukraine	13-01-93	16-10-98	15-11-98
129.	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	13-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97

No.	State	Signature⁶	Deposit⁷	Entry into force
130.	United Republic of Tanzania	25-02-94	25-06-98	25-07-98
131.	United States of America	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
132.	Uruguay	15-01-93	06-10-94	29-04-97
133.	Uzbekistan	24-11-95	23-07-96	29-04-97
134.	Venezuela	14-01-93	03-12-97	02-01-98
135.	Viet Nam	13-01-93	30-09-98	30-10-98
136.	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 17 August 2000**

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.	Dominica	02-08-93
13.	Dominican Republic	13-01-93
14.	Gabon	13-01-93
15.	Grenada	09-04-97
16.	Guatemala	14-01-93
17.	Guinea-Bissau	14-01-93
18.	Haiti	14-01-93
19.	Honduras	13-01-93
20.	Israel	13-01-93
21.	Jamaica	18-04-97
22.	Kyrgyzstan	22-02-93
23.	Liberia	15-01-93
24.	Madagascar	15-01-93

No.	State	Signature
25.	Marshall Islands	13-01-93
26.	Myanmar	14-01-93
27.	Nauru	13-01-93
28.	Rwanda	17-05-93
29.	Saint Kitts and Nevis	16-03-94
30.	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	20-09-93
31.	Samoa	14-01-93
32.	Sierra Leone	15-01-93
33.	Thailand	14-01-93
34.	Uganda	14-01-93
35.	United Arab Emirates	02-02-93
36.	Yemen	08-02-93
37.	Zambia	13-01-93

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