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**NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT**

**STATUS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION AS  
AT 31 DECEMBER 2003<sup>1</sup>**

**SUMMARY**

Number of States Parties:	<b>158</b>
Number of States that had deposited an instrument of accession or ratification and for which the Convention had not yet entered into force <sup>2</sup> :	<b>0</b>
Number of signatory States that had not yet ratified the Convention:	<b>22</b>
Number of States that had neither signed nor acceded to the Convention:	<b>14</b>

**Introductory note**

1. The Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction (hereinafter “the Convention”) was adopted in Geneva on 3 September 1992 by the Conference on Disarmament,<sup>3</sup> 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 1993.<sup>4</sup> The Convention remained open for signature in Paris from 13 to 15 January 1993, and thereafter at United Nations headquarters, New York, until 29 April 1997, when it entered into force. It had been signed by 165 States. States that did not sign the Convention before entry into force may accede to it at any time thereafter.
2. For States that ratify or accede to the Convention after 29 April 1997, it 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, the Depositary of the Convention.

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> 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).

<sup>3</sup> Report of the Conference on Disarmament, Official Records of the General Assembly, forty-seventh session, Supplement no. 27 (A/47/27), paragraphs 73 and 74.

<sup>4</sup> A/RES/47/39 of 16 December 1992.



3. The list immediately below shows all States Parties as at 31 December 2003. The table that follows it lists, for each State Party as at that date, the dates on which it signed the Convention and/or deposited its instrument of ratification or accession with the Depositary, and the date on which the Convention entered into force for it. The last two tables list signatory and non-signatory States, respectively, as at 31 December 2003. All lists are alphabetical.

### STATES PARTIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2003

- |                            |   |   |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| 1. Afghanistan             | 56. Guyana                              | 109. Poland                                       |
| 2. Albania                 | 57. Holy See                            | 110. Portugal                                     |
| 3. Algeria                 | 58. Hungary                             | 111. Qatar  |
| 4. Andorra                 | 59. Iceland                             | 112. Republic of Korea                            |
| 5. Argentina               | 60. India                               | 113. Republic of Moldova                          |
| 6. Armenia                 | 61. Indonesia                           | 114. Romania                                      |
| 7. Australia               | 62. Iran (Islamic Republic of)          | 115. Russian Federation                           |
| 8. Austria                 | 63. Ireland                             | 116. Saint Lucia                                  |
| 9. Azerbaijan              | 64. Italy                               | 117. Saint Vincent and the<br>Grenadines          |
| 10. Bahrain                | 65. Jamaica                             | 118. Samoa  |
| 11. Bangladesh             | 66. Japan                               | 119. San Marino                                   |
| 12. Belarus                | 67. Jordan                              | 120. Sao Tome and Principe                        |
| 13. Belgium                | 68. Kazakhstan                          | 121. Saudi Arabia                                 |
| 14. Belize                 | 69. Kenya                               | 122. Senegal                                      |
| 15. Benin                  | 70. Kiribati                            | 123. Serbia and Montenegro                        |
| 16. Bolivia                | 71. Kuwait                              | 124. Seychelles                                   |
| 17. Bosnia and Herzegovina | 72. Kyrgyzstan                          | 125. Singapore                                    |
| 18. Botswana               | 73. Lao People's Democratic<br>Republic | 126. Slovakia                                     |
| 19. Brazil                 | 74. Latvia                              | 127. Slovenia                                     |
| 20. Brunei Darussalam      | 75. Lesotho                             | 128. South Africa                                 |
| 21. Bulgaria               | 76. Liechtenstein                       | 129. Spain  |
| 22. Burkina Faso           | 77. Lithuania                           | 130. Sri Lanka                                    |
| 23. Burundi                | 78. Luxembourg                          | 131. Sudan  |
| 24. Cameroon               | 79. Malawi                              | 132. Suriname                                     |
| 25. Canada                 | 80. Malaysia                            | 133. Swaziland                                    |
| 26. Cape Verde             | 81. Maldives                            | 134. Sweden                                       |
| 27. Chile                  | 82. Mali                                | 135. Switzerland                                  |
| 28. China                  | 83. Malta                               | 136. Tajikistan                                   |
| 29. Colombia               | 84. Mauritania                          | 137. Thailand                                     |
| 30. Cook Islands           | 85. Mauritius                           | 138. The former Yugoslav<br>Republic of Macedonia |
| 31. Costa Rica             | 86. Mexico                              | 139. Timor-Leste                                  |
| 32. Côte d'Ivoire          | 87. Micronesia (Federated<br>States of) | 140. Togo   |
| 33. Croatia                | 88. Monaco                              | 141. Tonga  |
| 34. Cuba                   | 89. Mongolia                            | 142. Trinidad and Tobago                          |
| 35. Cyprus                 | 90. Morocco                             | 143. Tunisia                                      |
| 36. Czech Republic         | 91. Mozambique                          | 144. Turkey                                       |
| 37. Denmark                | 92. Namibia                             | 145. Turkmenistan                                 |
| 38. Dominica               | 93. Nauru                               | 146. Uganda                                       |
| 39. Ecuador                | 94. Nepal                               | 147. Ukraine                                      |
| 40. El Salvador            | 95. Netherlands                         | 148. United Arab Emirates                         |
| 41. Equatorial Guinea      | 96. New Zealand                         | 149. United Kingdom                               |
| 42. Eritrea                | 97. Nicaragua                           | 150. United Republic of<br>Tanzania               |
| 43. Estonia                | 98. Niger                               | 151. United States                                |
| 44. Ethiopia               | 99. Nigeria                             | 152. Uruguay                                      |
| 45. Fiji                   | 100. Norway                             | 153. Uzbekistan                                   |
| 46. Finland                | 101. Oman                               | 154. Venezuela                                    |
| 47. France                 | 102. Pakistan                           | 155. Viet Nam                                     |
| 48. Gabon                  | 103. Palau                              | 156. Yemen  |
| 49. Gambia                 | 104. Panama                             | 157. Zambia                                       |
| 50. Georgia                | 105. Papua New Guinea                   | 158. Zimbabwe                                     |
| 51. Germany                | 106. Paraguay                           |   |
| 52. Ghana                  | 107. Peru                               |   |
| 53. Greece                 | 108. Philippines                        |   |
| 54. Guatemala              |   |   |
| 55. Guinea                 |   |   |

**STATES PARTIES TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2003**

No.	State	Dates		
		Signature <sup>5</sup>	Deposit <sup>6</sup>	Entry into Force
1.	Afghanistan	14-01-93	24-09-03	24-10-03
2.	Albania	14-01-93	11-05-94	29-04-97
3.	Algeria	13-01-93	14-08-95	29-04-97
4.	Andorra		27-02-03[a]	29-03-03
5.	Argentina	13-01-93	02-10-95	29-04-97
6.	Armenia	19-03-93	27-01-95	29-04-97
7.	Australia	13-01-93	06-05-94	29-04-97
8.	Austria	13-01-93	17-08-95	29-04-97
9.	Azerbaijan	13-01-93	29-02-00	30-03-00
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.	Belize		01-12-03 [a]	31-12-03
15.	Benin	14-01-93	14-05-98	13-06-98
16.	Bolivia	14-01-93	14-08-98	13-09-98
17.	Bosnia and Herzegovina	16-01-97	25-02-97	29-04-97
18.	Botswana		31-08-98[a]	30-09-98
19.	Brazil	13-01-93	13-03-96	29-04-97
20.	Brunei Darussalam	13-01-93	28-07-97	27-08-97
21.	Bulgaria	13-01-93	10-08-94	29-04-97
22.	Burkina Faso	14-01-93	08-07-97	07-08-97
23.	Burundi	15-01-93	04-09-98	04-10-98
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	10-10-03	09-11-03
27.	Chile	14-01-93	12-07-96	29-04-97
28.	China	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
29.	Colombia	13-01-93	05-04-00	05-05-00
30.	Cook Islands	14-01-93	15-07-94	29-04-97
31.	Costa Rica	14-01-93	31-05-96	29-04-97
32.	Côte d'Ivoire	13-01-93	18-12-95	29-04-97
33.	Croatia	13-01-93	23-05-95	29-04-97
34.	Cuba	13-01-93	29-04-97	29-05-97
35.	Cyprus	13-01-93	28-08-98	27-09-98

<sup>5</sup> Signatures affixed on the original of the Convention, which was received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary.

<sup>6</sup> 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	Dates		
		Signature <sup>5</sup>	Deposit <sup>6</sup>	Entry into Force
36.	Czech Republic	14-01-93	06-03-96	29-04-97
37.	Denmark	14-01-93	13-07-95	29-04-97
38.	Dominica	02-08-93	12-02-01	14-03-01
39.	Ecuador	14-01-93	06-09-95	29-04-97
40.	El Salvador	14-01-93	30-10-95	29-04-97
41.	Equatorial Guinea	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
42.	Eritrea		14-02-00[a]	15-03-00
43.	Estonia	14-01-93	26-05-99	25-06-99
44.	Ethiopia	14-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
45.	Fiji	14-01-93	20-01-93	29-04-97
46.	Finland	14-01-93	07-02-95	29-04-97
47.	France	13-01-93	02-03-95	29-04-97
48.	Gabon	13-01-93	08-09-00	08-10-00
49.	Gambia	13-01-93	19-05-98	18-06-98
50.	Georgia	14-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
51.	Germany	13-01-93	12-08-94	29-04-97
52.	Ghana	14-01-93	09-07-97	08-08-97
53.	Greece	13-01-93	22-12-94	29-04-97
54.	Guatemala	14-01-93	12-02-03	14-03-03
55.	Guinea	14-01-93	09-06-97	09-07-97
56.	Guyana	06-10-93	12-09-97	12-10-97
57.	Holy See	14-01-93	12-05-99	11-06-99
58.	Hungary	13-01-93	31-10-96	29-04-97
59.	Iceland	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
60.	India	14-01-93	03-09-96	29-04-97
61.	Indonesia	13-01-93	12-11-98	12-12-98
62.	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	13-01-93	03-11-97	03-12-97
63.	Ireland	14-01-93	24-06-96	29-04-97
64.	Italy	13-01-93	08-12-95	29-04-97
65.	Jamaica	18-04-97	08-09-00	08-10-00
66.	Japan	13-01-93	15-09-95	29-04-97
67.	Jordan		29-10-97[a]	28-11-97
68.	Kazakhstan	14-01-93	23-03-00	22-04-00
69.	Kenya	15-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
70.	Kiribati		07-09-00[a]	07-10-00
71.	Kuwait	27-01-93	29-05-97	28-06-97
72.	Kyrgyzstan	22-02-93	29-09-03	29-10-03
73.	Lao People's Democratic Republic	13-05-93	25-02-97	29-04-97
74.	Latvia	06-05-93	23-07-96	29-04-97
75.	Lesotho	07-12-94	07-12-94	29-04-97
76.	Liechtenstein	21-07-93	24-11-99	24-12-99
77.	Lithuania	13-01-93	15-04-98	15-05-98

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78.	Luxembourg	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
79.	Malawi	14-01-93	11-06-98	11-07-98
80.	Malaysia	13-01-93	20-04-00	20-05-00
81.	Maldives	01-10-93	31-05-94	29-04-97
82.	Mali	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
83.	Malta	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
84.	Mauritania	13-01-93	09-02-98	11-03-98
85.	Mauritius	14-01-93	09-02-93	29-04-97
86.	Mexico	13-01-93	29-08-94	29-04-97
87.	Micronesia (Federated States of)	13-01-93	21-06-99	21-07-99
88.	Monaco	13-01-93	01-06-95	29-04-97
89.	Mongolia	14-01-93	17-01-95	29-04-97
90.	Morocco	13-01-93	28-12-95	29-04-97
91.	Mozambique		15-08-00[a]	14-09-00
92.	Namibia	13-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
93.	Nauru	13-01-93	12-11-01	12-12-01
94.	Nepal	19-01-93	18-11-97	18-12-97
95.	Netherlands	14-01-93	30-06-95	29-04-97
96.	New Zealand	14-01-93	15-07-96	29-04-97
97.	Nicaragua	09-03-93	05-11-99	05-12-99
98.	Niger	14-01-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
99.	Nigeria	13-01-93	20-05-99	19-06-99
100.	Norway	13-01-93	07-04-94	29-04-97
101.	Oman	02-02-93	08-02-95	29-04-97
102.	Pakistan	13-01-93	28-10-97	27-11-97
103.	Palau		03-02-03[a]	05-03-03
104.	Panama	16-06-93	07-10-98	06-11-98
105.	Papua New Guinea	14-01-93	17-04-96	29-04-97
106.	Paraguay	14-01-93	01-12-94	29-04-97
107.	Peru	14-01-93	20-07-95	29-04-97
108.	Philippines	13-01-93	11-12-96	29-04-97
109.	Poland	13-01-93	23-08-95	29-04-97
110.	Portugal	13-01-93	10-09-96	29-04-97
111.	Qatar	01-02-93	03-09-97	03-10-97
112.	Republic of Korea	14-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
113.	Republic of Moldova	13-01-93	08-07-96	29-04-97
114.	Romania	13-01-93	15-02-95	29-04-97
115.	Russian Federation	13-01-93	05-11-97	05-12-97
116.	Saint Lucia	29-03-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
117.	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	20-09-93	18-09-02	18-10-02
118.	Samoa	14-01-93	27-09-02	27-10-02
119.	San Marino	13-01-93	10-12-99	09-01-00
120.	Sao Tome and Principe		09-09-03[a]	09-10-03

No.	State	Dates		
		Signature <sup>5</sup>	Deposit <sup>6</sup>	Entry into Force
121.	Saudi Arabia	20-01-93	09-08-96	29-04-97
122.	Senegal	13-01-93	20-07-98	19-08-98
123.	Serbia and Montenegro		20-04-00[a]	20-05-00
124.	Seychelles	15-01-93	07-04-93	29-04-97
125.	Singapore	14-01-93	21-05-97	20-06-97
126.	Slovakia	14-01-93	27-10-95	29-04-97
127.	Slovenia	14-01-93	11-06-97	11-07-97
128.	South Africa	14-01-93	13-09-95	29-04-97
129.	Spain	13-01-93	03-08-94	29-04-97
130.	Sri Lanka	14-01-93	19-08-94	29-04-97
131.	Sudan		24-05-99[a]	23-06-99
132.	Suriname	28-04-97	28-04-97	29-04-97
133.	Swaziland	23-09-93	20-11-96	29-04-97
134.	Sweden	13-01-93	17-06-93	29-04-97
135.	Switzerland	14-01-93	10-03-95	29-04-97
136.	Tajikistan	14-01-93	11-01-95	29-04-97
137.	Thailand	14-01-93	10-12-02	09-01-03
138.	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		20-06-97[a]	20-07-97
139.	Timor-Leste		07-05-03[a]	06-06-03
140.	Togo	13-01-93	23-04-97	29-04-97
141.	Tonga		29-05-03[a]	28-06-03
142.	Trinidad and Tobago		24-06-97[a]	24-07-97
143.	Tunisia	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
144.	Turkey	14-01-93	12-05-97	11-06-97
145.	Turkmenistan	12-10-93	29-09-94	29-04-97
146.	Uganda	14-01-93	30-11-01	30-12-01
147.	Ukraine	13-01-93	16-10-98	15-11-98
148.	United Arab Emirates	02-02-93	28-11-00	28-12-00
149.	United Kingdom	13-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
150.	United Republic of Tanzania	25-02-94	25-06-98	25-07-98
151.	United States	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
152.	Uruguay	15-01-93	06-10-94	29-04-97
153.	Uzbekistan	24-11-95	23-07-96	29-04-97
154.	Venezuela	14-01-93	03-12-97	02-01-98
155.	Viet Nam	13-01-93	30-09-98	30-10-98
156.	Yemen	08-02-93	02-10-00	01-11-00
157.	Zambia	13-01-93	09-02-01	11-03-01
158.	Zimbabwe	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97

**STATES NOT PARTY**

**SIGNATORY STATES THAT HAD NOT RATIFIED  
THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2003**

<b>No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Signature</b>
1.	Bahamas	02-03-94
2.	Bhutan	24-04-97
3.	Cambodia	15-01-93
4.	Central African Republic	14-01-93
5.	Chad	11-10-94
6.	Comoros	13-01-93
7.	Congo	15-01-93
8.	Democratic Republic of the Congo	14-01-93
9.	Djibouti	28-09-93
10.	Dominican Republic	13-01-93
11.	Grenada	09-04-97
12.	Guinea-Bissau	14-01-93
13.	Haiti	14-01-93
14.	Honduras	13-01-93
15.	Israel	13-01-93
16.	Liberia	15-01-93
17.	Madagascar	15-01-93
18.	Marshall Islands	13-01-93
19.	Myanmar	14-01-93
20.	Rwanda	17-05-93
21.	Saint Kitts and Nevis	16-03-94
22.	Sierra Leone	15-01-93

**STATES NOT PARTY**

**STATES THAT HAD NEITHER SIGNED NOR ACCEDED  
TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2003**

1.	Angola
2.	Antigua and Barbuda
3.	Barbados
4.	Democratic People's Republic of Korea
5.	Egypt
6.	Iraq
7.	Lebanon
8.	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
9.	Niue
10.	Solomon Islands
11.	Somalia
12.	Syrian Arab Republic
13.	Tuvalu
14.	Vanuatu

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