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**NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT**

**STATUS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
AS AT 28 SEPTEMBER 2005<sup>1</sup>**

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
Number of States Parties:	<b>173</b>
Number of States that had deposited an instrument of accession or ratification and for which the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”) had not yet entered into force <sup>2</sup> :	<b>1</b>
Number of signatory States that had not yet ratified the Convention:	<b>12</b>
Number of States that had neither signed nor acceded to the Convention:	<b>8</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.

<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, dated 16 December 1992



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.
3. The following list shows all States Parties as at 28 September 2005. The table that follows it lists, for each State Party as at 16 October 2005, the dates on which it signed the Convention and/or deposited its instrument of ratification or accession with the Depositary, and on which the Convention entered or will enter into force for it. The last two tables list signatory and non-signatory States, respectively, as at 28 September 2005. All lists are alphabetical.

**STATES PARTIES TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
AS AT 28 SEPTEMBER 2005**

1. Afghanistan	41. Denmark	80. Latvia
2. Albania	42. Dominica	81. Lesotho
3. Algeria	43. Ecuador	82. Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
4. Andorra	44. El Salvador	83. Liechtenstein
5. Antigua and Barbuda	45. Equatorial Guinea	84. Lithuania
6. Argentina	46. Eritrea	85. Luxembourg
7. Armenia	47. Estonia	86. Madagascar
8. Australia	48. Ethiopia	87. Malawi
9. Austria	49. Fiji	88. Malaysia
10. Azerbaijan	50. Finland	89. Maldives
11. Bahrain	51. France	90. Mali
12. Bangladesh	52. Gabon	91. Malta
13. Belarus	53. Gambia	92. Marshall Islands
14. Belgium	54. Georgia	93. Mauritania
15. Belize	55. Germany	94. Mauritius
16. Benin	56. Ghana	95. Mexico
17. Bhutan	57. Greece	96. Micronesia (Federated States of)
18. Bolivia	58. Grenada	97. Monaco
19. Bosnia and Herzegovina	59. Guatemala	98. Mongolia
20. Botswana	60. Guinea	99. Morocco
21. Brazil	61. Guyana	100. Mozambique
22. Brunei Darussalam	62. Holy See	101. Namibia
23. Bulgaria	63. Honduras	102. Nauru
24. Burkina Faso	64. Hungary	103. Nepal
25. Burundi	65. Iceland	104. Netherlands
26. Cambodia	66. India	105. New Zealand
27. Cameroon	67. Indonesia	106. Nicaragua
28. Canada	68. Iran (Islamic Republic of)	107. Niger
29. Cape Verde	69. Ireland	108. Nigeria
30. Chad	70. Italy	109. Niue
31. Chile	71. Jamaica	110. Norway
32. China	72. Japan	111. Oman
33. Colombia	73. Jordan	112. Pakistan
34. Cook Islands	74. Kazakhstan	113. Palau
35. Costa Rica	75. Kenya	114. Panama
36. Côte d'Ivoire	76. Kiribati	115. Papua New Guinea
37. Croatia	77. Kuwait	116. Paraguay
38. Cuba	78. Kyrgyzstan	117. Peru
39. Cyprus	79. Lao People's Democratic Republic	118. Philippines
40. Czech Republic		

119. Poland
120. Portugal
121. Qatar
122. Republic of Korea
123. Republic of Moldova
124. Romania
125. Russian Federation
126. Rwanda
127. Saint Kitts and Nevis
128. Saint Lucia
129. Saint Vincent and the  
Grenadines
130. Samoa
131. San Marino
132. Sao Tome and Principe
133. Saudi Arabia
134. Senegal
135. Serbia and Montenegro
136. Seychelles
137. Sierra Leone
138. Singapore
139. Slovakia
140. Slovenia
141. Solomon Islands
142. South Africa
143. Spain
144. Sri Lanka
145. Sudan
146. Suriname
147. Swaziland
148. Sweden
149. Switzerland
150. Tajikistan
151. Thailand
152. The former Yugoslav  
Republic of Macedonia
153. Timor-Leste
154. Togo
155. Tonga
156. Trinidad and Tobago
157. Tunisia
158. Turkey
159. Turkmenistan
160. Tuvalu
161. Uganda
162. Ukraine
163. United Arab Emirates
164. United Kingdom
165. United Republic of  
Tanzania
166. United States of America
167. Uruguay
168. Uzbekistan
169. Venezuela
170. Viet Nam
171. Yemen
172. Zambia
173. Zimbabwe

**Entry into force pending:**  
Vanuatu  
(16 October 2005)

**STATES PARTIES TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
AS AT 16 OCTOBER 2005<sup>5</sup>**

No.	State Party	Dates		
		Signature	Deposit	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.	Antigua and Barbuda		29-08-05[a]	28-09-05
6.	Argentina	13-01-93	02-10-95	29-04-97
7.	Armenia	19-03-93	27-01-95	29-04-97
8.	Australia	13-01-93	06-05-94	29-04-97
9.	Austria	13-01-93	17-08-95	29-04-97
10.	Azerbaijan	13-01-93	29-02-00	30-03-00
11.	Bahrain	24-02-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
12.	Bangladesh	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
13.	Belarus	14-01-93	11-07-96	29-04-97
14.	Belgium	13-01-93	27-01-97	29-04-97
15.	Belize		01-12-03 [a]	31-12-03
16.	Benin	14-01-93	14-05-98	13-06-98
17.	Bhutan	24-04-97	18-08-05	17-09-05
18.	Bolivia	14-01-93	14-08-98	13-09-98
19.	Bosnia and Herzegovina	16-01-97	25-02-97	29-04-97
20.	Botswana		31-08-98[a]	30-09-98
21.	Brazil	13-01-93	13-03-96	29-04-97
22.	Brunei Darussalam	13-01-93	28-07-97	27-08-97
23.	Bulgaria	13-01-93	10-08-94	29-04-97
24.	Burkina Faso	14-01-93	08-07-97	07-08-97
25.	Burundi	15-01-93	04-09-98	04-10-98
26.	Cambodia	15-01-93	19-07-05	18-08-05
27.	Cameroon	14-01-93	16-09-96	29-04-97
28.	Canada	13-01-93	26-09-95	29-04-97
29.	Cape Verde	15-01-93	10-10-03	09-11-03
30.	Chad	11-10-94	13-02-04	14-03-04
31.	Chile	14-01-93	12-07-96	29-04-97
32.	China	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
33.	Colombia	13-01-93	05-04-00	05-05-00

<sup>5</sup> For each State Party listed below, the date in the "Signature" column is that on which it signed the original of the Convention, which was received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations (UN) as Depositary, while the date in the "Deposit" column is that on which the Secretary-General received an instrument of accession or ratification by the State Party. Throughout the table, "[a]" means "deposit of instrument of accession".

No.	State Party	Dates		
		Signature	Deposit	Entry into Force
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	28-08-98	27-09-98
40.	Czech Republic	14-01-93	06-03-96	29-04-97
41.	Denmark	14-01-93	13-07-95	29-04-97
42.	Dominica	02-08-93	12-02-01	14-03-01
43.	Ecuador	14-01-93	06-09-95	29-04-97
44.	El Salvador	14-01-93	30-10-95	29-04-97
45.	Equatorial Guinea	14-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
46.	Eritrea		14-02-00[a]	15-03-00
47.	Estonia	14-01-93	26-05-99	25-06-99
48.	Ethiopia	14-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
49.	Fiji	14-01-93	20-01-93	29-04-97
50.	Finland	14-01-93	07-02-95	29-04-97
51.	France	13-01-93	02-03-95	29-04-97
52.	Gabon	13-01-93	08-09-00	08-10-00
53.	Gambia	13-01-93	19-05-98	18-06-98
54.	Georgia	14-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
55.	Germany	13-01-93	12-08-94	29-04-97
56.	Ghana	14-01-93	09-07-97	08-08-97
57.	Greece	13-01-93	22-12-94	29-04-97
58.	Grenada	09-04-97	03-06-05	03-07-05
59.	Guatemala	14-01-93	12-02-03	14-03-03
60.	Guinea	14-01-93	09-06-97	09-07-97
61.	Guyana	06-10-93	12-09-97	12-10-97
62.	Holy See	14-01-93	12-05-99	11-06-99
63.	Honduras	13-01-93	29-08-05	28-09-05
64.	Hungary	13-01-93	31-10-96	29-04-97
65.	Iceland	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
66.	India	14-01-93	03-09-96	29-04-97
67.	Indonesia	13-01-93	12-11-98	12-12-98
68.	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	13-01-93	03-11-97	03-12-97
69.	Ireland	14-01-93	24-06-96	29-04-97
70.	Italy	13-01-93	08-12-95	29-04-97
71.	Jamaica	18-04-97	08-09-00	08-10-00
72.	Japan	13-01-93	15-09-95	29-04-97
73.	Jordan		29-10-97[a]	28-11-97
74.	Kazakhstan	14-01-93	23-03-00	22-04-00
75.	Kenya	15-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
76.	Kiribati		07-09-00[a]	07-10-00

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		Signature	Deposit	Entry into Force
77.	Kuwait	27-01-93	29-05-97	28-06-97
78.	Kyrgyzstan	22-02-93	29-09-03	29-10-03
79.	Lao People's Democratic Republic	13-05-93	25-02-97	29-04-97
80.	Latvia	06-05-93	23-07-96	29-04-97
81.	Lesotho	07-12-94	07-12-94	29-04-97
82.	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya		06-01-04[a]	05-02-04
83.	Liechtenstein	21-07-93	24-11-99	24-12-99
84.	Lithuania	13-01-93	15-04-98	15-05-98
85.	Luxembourg	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
86.	Madagascar	15-01-93	20-10-04	19-11-04
87.	Malawi	14-01-93	11-06-98	11-07-98
88.	Malaysia	13-01-93	20-04-00	20-05-00
89.	Maldives	01-10-93	31-05-94	29-04-97
90.	Mali	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
91.	Malta	13-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
92.	Marshall Islands	13-01-93	19-05-04	18-06-04
93.	Mauritania	13-01-93	09-02-98	11-03-98
94.	Mauritius	14-01-93	09-02-93	29-04-97
95.	Mexico	13-01-93	29-08-94	29-04-97
96.	Micronesia (Federated States of)	13-01-93	21-06-99	21-07-99
97.	Monaco	13-01-93	01-06-95	29-04-97
98.	Mongolia	14-01-93	17-01-95	29-04-97
99.	Morocco	13-01-93	28-12-95	29-04-97
100.	Mozambique		15-08-00[a]	14-09-00
101.	Namibia	13-01-93	27-11-95	29-04-97
102.	Nauru	13-01-93	12-11-01	12-12-01
103.	Nepal	19-01-93	18-11-97	18-12-97
104.	Netherlands	14-01-93	30-06-95	29-04-97
105.	New Zealand	14-01-93	15-07-96	29-04-97
106.	Nicaragua	09-03-93	05-11-99	05-12-99
107.	Niger	14-01-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
108.	Nigeria	13-01-93	20-05-99	19-06-99
109.	Niue		21-04-05[a]	21-05-05
110.	Norway	13-01-93	07-04-94	29-04-97
111.	Oman	02-02-93	08-02-95	29-04-97
112.	Pakistan	13-01-93	28-10-97	27-11-97
113.	Palau		03-02-03[a]	05-03-03
114.	Panama	16-06-93	07-10-98	06-11-98
115.	Papua New Guinea	14-01-93	17-04-96	29-04-97
116.	Paraguay	14-01-93	01-12-94	29-04-97
117.	Peru	14-01-93	20-07-95	29-04-97
118.	Philippines	13-01-93	11-12-96	29-04-97

No.	State Party	Dates		
		Signature	Deposit	Entry into Force
119.	Poland	13-01-93	23-08-95	29-04-97
120.	Portugal	13-01-93	10-09-96	29-04-97
121.	Qatar	01-02-93	03-09-97	03-10-97
122.	Republic of Korea	14-01-93	28-04-97	29-04-97
123.	Republic of Moldova	13-01-93	08-07-96	29-04-97
124.	Romania	13-01-93	15-02-95	29-04-97
125.	Russian Federation	13-01-93	05-11-97	05-12-97
126.	Rwanda	17-05-93	31-03-04	30-04-04
127.	Saint Kitts and Nevis	16-03-94	21-05-04	20-06-04
128.	Saint Lucia	29-03-93	09-04-97	29-04-97
129.	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	20-09-93	18-09-02	18-10-02
130.	Samoa	14-01-93	27-09-02	27-10-02
131.	San Marino	13-01-93	10-12-99	09-01-00
132.	Sao Tome and Principe		09-09-03[a]	09-10-03
133.	Saudi Arabia	20-01-93	09-08-96	29-04-97
134.	Senegal	13-01-93	20-07-98	19-08-98
135.	Serbia and Montenegro		20-04-00[a]	20-05-00
136.	Seychelles	15-01-93	07-04-93	29-04-97
137.	Sierra Leone	15-01-93	30-09-04	30-10-04
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.	Solomon Islands		23-09-04[a]	23-10-04
142.	South Africa	14-01-93	13-09-95	29-04-97
143.	Spain	13-01-93	03-08-94	29-04-97
144.	Sri Lanka	14-01-93	19-08-94	29-04-97
145.	Sudan		24-05-99[a]	23-06-99
146.	Suriname	28-04-97	28-04-97	29-04-97
147.	Swaziland	23-09-93	20-11-96	29-04-97
148.	Sweden	13-01-93	17-06-93	29-04-97
149.	Switzerland	14-01-93	10-03-95	29-04-97
150.	Tajikistan	14-01-93	11-01-95	29-04-97
151.	Thailand	14-01-93	10-12-02	09-01-03
152.	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		20-06-97[a]	20-07-97
153.	Timor-Leste		07-05-03[a]	06-06-03
154.	Togo	13-01-93	23-04-97	29-04-97
155.	Tonga		29-05-03[a]	28-06-03
156.	Trinidad and Tobago		24-06-97[a]	24-07-97
157.	Tunisia	13-01-93	15-04-97	29-04-97
158.	Turkey	14-01-93	12-05-97	11-06-97
159.	Turkmenistan	12-10-93	29-09-94	29-04-97
160.	Tuvalu		19-01-04[a]	18-02-04

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		Signature	Deposit	Entry into Force
161.	Uganda	14-01-93	30-11-01	30-12-01
162.	Ukraine	13-01-93	16-10-98	15-11-98
163.	United Arab Emirates	02-02-93	28-11-00	28-12-00
164.	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	13-01-93	13-05-96	29-04-97
165.	United Republic of Tanzania	25-02-94	25-06-98	25-07-98
166.	United States of America	13-01-93	25-04-97	29-04-97
167.	Uruguay	15-01-93	06-10-94	29-04-97
168.	Uzbekistan	24-11-95	23-07-96	29-04-97
169.	Vanuatu		16-09-05[a]	16-10-05
170.	Venezuela	14-01-93	03-12-97	02-01-98
171.	Viet Nam	13-01-93	30-09-98	30-10-98
172.	Yemen	08-02-93	02-10-00	01-11-00
173.	Zambia	13-01-93	09-02-01	11-03-01
174.	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 28 SEPTEMBER 2005**

<b>No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Date of Signature</b>
1.	Bahamas	02-03-94
2.	Central African Republic	14-01-93
3.	Comoros	13-01-93
4.	Congo	15-01-93
5.	Democratic Republic of the Congo	14-01-93
6.	Djibouti	28-09-93
7.	Dominican Republic	13-01-93
8.	Guinea-Bissau	14-01-93
9.	Haiti	14-01-93
10.	Israel	13-01-93
11.	Liberia	15-01-93
12.	Myanmar	14-01-93

**STATES NOT PARTY**

**STATES THAT HAD NEITHER SIGNED NOR ACCEDED  
TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
AS AT 28 SEPTEMBER 2005**

<b>No.</b>	<b>State</b>
1.	Angola
2.	Barbados
3.	Democratic People's Republic of Korea
4.	Egypt
5.	Iraq
6.	Lebanon
7.	Somalia
8.	Syrian Arab Republic

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