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CHAPTER IV  
HUMAN RIGHTS

4. International Covenant on Civil and Political  
Rights

New York, 16 December 1966

**Entry into force** : 23 March 1976, in accordance with article 49 , for all provisions except those of article 41; 28 March 1979 for the provisions of article 41 (Human Rights Committee), in accordance with paragraph 2 of the said article 41.

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**Note** : The Covenant was opened for signature at New York on 19 December 1966.

<b>Participant</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Formal confirmation(c), Accession(a), Ratification</b>
Afghanistan		18 Sep 2012 a
Albania	22 Dec 2009	11 Feb 2013
Algeria	30 Mar 2007	4 Dec 2009
Andorra	27 Apr 2007	11 Mar 2014
Angola		19 May 2014 a
Antigua and Barbuda	30 Mar 2007	7 Jan 2016
Argentina	30 Mar 2007	2 Sep 2008
Armenia	30 Mar 2007	22 Sep 2010
<u>Australia</u>	30 Mar 2007	17 Jul 2008
Austria	30 Mar 2007	26 Sep 2008
<u>Azerbaijan</u>	9 Jan 2008	28 Jan 2009
Bahamas	24 Sep 2013	28 Sep 2015
Bahrain	25 Jun 2007	22 Sep 2011
Bangladesh	9 May 2007	30 Nov 2007
Barbados	19 Jul 2007	27 Feb 2013
Belarus	28 Sep 2015	29 Nov 2016
<u>Belgium</u>	30 Mar 2007	2 Jul 2009
Belize	9 May 2011	2 Jun 2011
Benin	8 Feb 2008	5 Jul 2012
Bhutan	21 Sep 2010	
Bolivia (Plurinational State of) <sup>1</sup>	13 Aug 2007	16 Nov 2009
Bosnia and Herzegovina	29 Jul 2009	12 Mar 2010
Botswana		12 Jul 2021 a
Brazil	30 Mar 2007	1 Aug 2008
<u>Brunei Darussalam</u>	18 Dec 2007	11 Apr 2016
Bulgaria	27 Sep 2007	22 Mar 2012
Burkina Faso	23 May 2007	23 Jul 2009
Burundi	26 Apr 2007	22 May 2014
Cabo Verde	30 Mar 2007	10 Oct 2011
Cambodia	1 Oct 2007	20 Dec 2012
Cameroon	1 Oct 2008	28 Sep 2023
<u>Canada</u>	30 Mar 2007	11 Mar 2010
Central African Republic	9 May 2007	11 Oct 2016
Chad	26 Sep 2012	20 Jun 2019
Chile	30 Mar 2007	29 Jul 2008
China <sup>2</sup>	30 Mar 2007	1 Aug 2008
Colombia	30 Mar 2007	10 May 2011
Comoros	26 Sep 2007	16 Jun 2016

<u>Ireland</u>	1 Oct 1973	8 Dec 1989
<u>Israel</u>	19 Dec 1966	3 Oct 1991
<u>Italy</u>	18 Jan 1967	15 Sep 1978
<u>Jamaica</u>	19 Dec 1966	3 Oct 1975
<u>Japan</u>	30 May 1978	21 Jun 1979
Jordan	30 Jun 1972	28 May 1975
Kazakhstan	2 Dec 2003	24 Jan 2006
Kenya		1 May 1972 a
<u>Kuwait</u>		21 May 1996 a
<u>Kyrgyzstan</u>		7 Oct 1994 a
<u>Lao People's Democratic Republic</u>	7 Dec 2000	25 Sep 2009
<u>Latvia</u>		14 Apr 1992 a
Lebanon		3 Nov 1972 a
Lesotho		9 Sep 1992 a
Liberia	18 Apr 1967	22 Sep 2004
<u>Libya</u>		15 May 1970 a
<u>Liechtenstein</u>		10 Dec 1998 a
Lithuania		20 Nov 1991 a
<u>Luxembourg</u>	26 Nov 1974	18 Aug 1983
Madagascar	17 Sep 1969	21 Jun 1971
Malawi		22 Dec 1993 a
<u>Maldives</u>		19 Sep 2006 a
Mali		16 Jul 1974 a
<u>Malta</u>		13 Sep 1990 a
Marshall Islands		12 Mar 2018 a
<u>Mauritania</u>		17 Nov 2004 a
Mauritius		12 Dec 1973 a
<u>Mexico</u>		23 Mar 1981 a
<u>Monaco</u>	26 Jun 1997	28 Aug 1997
<u>Mongolia</u>	5 Jun 1968	18 Nov 1974
Montenegro <sup>11</sup>		23 Oct 2006 d
Morocco	19 Jan 1977	3 May 1979
Mozambique		21 Jul 1993 a
<u>Namibia</u>		28 Nov 1994 a
Nauru	12 Nov 2001	
<u>Nepal</u>		14 May 1991 a
<u>Netherlands (Kingdom of the)</u>	25 Jun 1969	11 Dec 1978
<u>New Zealand</u> <sup>12</sup>	12 Nov 1968	28 Dec 1978
Nicaragua		12 Mar 1980 a
Niger		7 Mar 1986 a