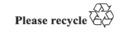


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#### I. Decisions adopted by the Committee

#### Decision 29/1

1. The Committee elected Álvaro Botero Navarro by acclamation as Rapporteur to replace Khedidja Ladjel, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Committee. Ms. Ladjel was elected as Rapporteur at the twenty-eighth session; she passed away prior to the twenty-ninth session.

#### Decision 29/2

2. The Committee approved the candidate put forward by the Government of Algeria, Lazhar Soualem, to replace Khedidja Ladjel, in accordance with article 72 (6) of the Convention.

#### Decision 29/3

3. The Committee adopted the aligned procedure for follow-up to concluding observations, as contained in annex II to the report of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies at their thirtieth meeting (A/73/140).

#### Decision 29/4

4. The Committee adopted the aligned procedure for follow-up to decisions and views as contained in annex II of to the report of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies at their thirtieth meeting (A/73/140).

#### Decision 29/5

5. The Committee decided to appoint Ermal Frasheri as the focal point to facilitate discussions within the Committee with a view to preparing a common treaty body contribution to the 2020 General Assembly review of the status of the human rights treaty bodies.

#### Decision 29/6

6. The Committee decided to reinstate the follow-up paragraph in its concluding observations, noting that the assessments would be done by the Rapporteur assigned to the country concerned due to staffing constraints, in line with the aligned procedure for follow-up to concluding observations.

#### Decision 29/7

7. In order to further strengthen the dialogue with States parties, the Committee decided to cluster questions for States parties in the order of the articles of the Convention and to use a dialogue checklist with sample questions to ensure coverage of priority issues and to avoid repetition. It also decided that the checklist and sample questions should be translated into the working languages of the Committee.

#### Decision 30/1

8. The Committee approved the candidate put forward by the Government of Morocco, Mohammed Charef, to replace Abdelhamid El Jamri, in accordance with article 72 (6) of the Convention. Mr. El Jamri passed away prior to the thirtieth session.

#### Decision 30/2

9. The Committee adopted a position with a view to preparing a common treaty body contribution to the 2020 General Assembly review of the status of the human rights treaty bodies.

#### Decision 30/3

10. For the development of a new general comment on migrants' rights to liberty and freedom from arbitrary detention, the Committee decided to prepare a zero draft for deliberation at its thirty-first session.

#### Decision 30/4

11. The Committee decided to include a standard paragraph in its concluding observations noting positively if the State party had voted in support of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, endorsed by the General Assembly on 19 December 2018 in its resolution 73/195, and recommending that the State party work towards its implementation, ensuring full compliance with the Convention.

#### Decision 30/5

12. In follow-up to a meeting with member countries of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) during its thirtieth session, the Committee decided to send letters to all signatory States to the Convention and to States not parties among the member countries of ECOWAS requesting that they consider ratifying or acceding to the Convention.

#### Decision 30/6

13. The Committee established a working group on the Convention and the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, with Mohammed Charef as its coordinator. Activities of the working group will include a comparative analysis of the Convention and the Global Compact for Migration.

#### Decision 30/7

14. The Committee adopted a communication concept for the promotion of the Convention, based on a draft prepared by Can Ünver.

#### II. Organizational and other matters

#### A. States parties to the Convention

- 15. On 12 April 2019, the closing date of the thirtieth session of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, there were 54 States parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families. During the period covered by the present report there were three additional ratifications to the Convention, by Benin on 6 July 2018, by the Gambia on 28 September 2018 and by Guinea-Bissau on 22 October 2018. The Convention was adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 45/158 on 18 December 1990 and entered into force on 1 July 2003, in accordance with the provisions of its article 87 (1).
- 16. A list of States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the Convention is contained in annex I. The updated status of the Convention, together with the texts of declarations and reservations and other relevant information, may be found in the United Nations Treaty Collection online at http://treaties.un.org, which is maintained by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, which discharges the depositary functions of the Secretary-General.

#### B. Meetings and sessions

17. The Committee held its twenty-ninth session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 3 to 12 September 2018. The session consisted of 14 plenary meetings (see CMW/C/SR.396–409). The provisional agenda (CMW/C/29/1) was adopted by the Committee at its 396th meeting on 3 September 2018.

18. The Committee held its thirtieth session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 1 to 12 April 2019. The session consisted of 20 plenary meetings (see CMW/C/SR.410–429). The provisional agenda (CMW/C/30/1) was adopted by the Committee at its 410th meeting, on 1 April 2019.

#### C. Membership and attendance

- 19. Two members of the Committee passed away in 2018. Khedidja Ladjel passed away on 22 June 2018. She was elected to the Committee in 2012 and served as its Rapporteur. Abdelhamid El Jamri, who passed away on 6 November 2018, was one of the longest serving members of the Committee. He was elected to the Committee in 2004 and served as Vice-Chair, Rapporteur and, notably, as Chair for three terms from 2008 to 2014 the only member to do so. On 18 December 2018, the Committee issued a joint press statement with the international steering committee of the Global Campaign for Ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Migrants to pay tribute to Mr. El Jamri and Ms. Ladjel. The international steering committee comprises representatives of intergovernmental agencies and leading international human rights, church, labour, migrant and women's organizations.
- 20. All the members of the Committee attended its twenty-ninth session, except for Md. Shahidul Haque and Prasad Kariyawasam. All the members of the Committee attended its thirtieth session, except for Mr. Haque. Ermal Frasheri attended the thirtieth session from 1 to 5 April 2019, and connected to the session via video link on 8 and 11 April 2019.
- 21. The list of the members of the Committee as at 12 April 2019, together with the duration of their terms of office, is provided in annex II to the present report.

#### D. Solemn declaration

22. At its twenty-ninth session, the Committee approved the expert nominated by the Government of Algeria, Lazhar Soualem, to replace Ms. Ladjel. On 28 January 2019, the Committee approved the expert nominated by the Government of Morocco, Mohammed Charef, to replace Mr. El Jamri. At the opening of the thirtieth session on 1 April 2019, Mr. Soualem and Mr. Charef, whose terms will expire on 31 December 2019, made the solemn declaration in accordance with rule 11 of the Committee's rules of procedure.

#### E. Election of officers

23. Also at its twenty-ninth session, the Committee elected Álvaro Botero Navarro as Rapporteur to replace Ms. Ladjel, in accordance with its rules of procedure.

#### F. Future meetings of the Committee

- 24. The thirty-first session of the Committee will be held from 2 to 11 September 2019 at the United Nations Office at Geneva.
- 25. The thirty-second session of the Committee will be held for a two-week period in April 2020 at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The dates have not yet been confirmed.

## G. Participation in the thirtieth meeting of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies

26. The Chair of the Committee participated in the thirtieth meeting of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies, held in New York from 28 May to 1 June 2018. The meeting provided an opportunity to review progress made in response to General Assembly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/CMW/StatementElJamri\_Ladjel\_18Dec2018.doc.

resolution 68/268 on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system and to discuss a strategy of the treaty bodies in preparation for the 2020 General Assembly review of the status of the human rights treaty bodies. The Chairs discussed progress made in the alignment of the working methods and procedures of the treaty bodies; follow-up to concluding observations, decisions and views; reporting compliance by States parties; implementation of the guidelines on the independence and impartiality of members of the human rights treaty bodies and the guidelines against intimidation or reprisals; inquiries; and the treaty bodies and the Sustainable Development Goals. The Chairs also held consultations with States, United Nations entities and civil society organizations, and met with the Secretary-General and the Deputy Secretary-General.

27. During the meeting, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders and the Chairs of the treaty bodies issued a joint statement on the twentieth anniversary of the adoption by the General Assembly of the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, urging States to boost protection for human rights defenders at a time when they were increasingly coming under pressure globally. The statement was endorsed by the Committee at its twenty-ninth session. A press release was also issued in that regard.<sup>2</sup> Following the meeting, the Committee appointed Mr. Frasheri as the focal point to facilitate discussions within the Committee with a view to preparing a common treaty body contribution to the 2020 General Assembly review of the status of the human rights treaty bodies. During its thirtieth session, the Committee adopted a position with a view to preparing a common treaty body contribution to the 2020 General Assembly review of the status of the human rights treaty bodies.

#### H. General comments and general discussion days

- 28. Following its decision at its twenty-eighth session to develop a new general comment on the right to liberty of migrant workers and protection against their arbitrary detention, at its twenty-ninth session the Committee adopted a concept note for the draft general comment and put out a call for inputs from all stakeholders.<sup>3</sup> Various partners, including the University of Virginia School of Law, Uppsala University, Stockholm University and the National Human Rights Commission of Mexico, have indicated their interest in supporting the initiative.
- 29. In response to its call for inputs, the Committee received submissions from States parties and signatories to the Convention, other States Members of the United Nations, United Nations organizations and entities, national human rights institutions, civil society organizations and academia.<sup>4</sup> It decided to prepare a zero draft general comment for deliberation at its thirty-first session and to organize regional consultations following that session. During its thirtieth session, the Committee also held a meeting with representatives of the International Human Rights Law Clinic of the University of Virginia School of Law.

#### I. Promotion of the Convention

30. Members of the Committee continued to promote the Convention and the human rights of migrant workers and members of their families by: (a) participating in conferences, meetings, workshops and side events of United Nations entities and other international organizations, including the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), the International Labour Organization (ILO), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=23154&LangID=E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/GC5.aspx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ibid.

Organization of American States and civil society organizations; (b) advising States parties on treaty implementation and the reporting process; (c) contributing to publications on the human rights of migrant workers and on other migration-related issues; and (d) participating in various forums with academics, students and other stakeholders. Members who reported on activities at the twenty-ninth and thirtieth sessions included Mr. Botero Navarro, Mr. Charef, Jasminka Dzumhur, Mr. Frasheri, María Landázuri de Mora, Marco Núñez-Melgar Maguiña, Mamane Oumaria, Azad Taghi-Zada, Ahmadou Tall and Mr. Ünver.

- 31. The Chair participated in a conference in Rabat on 11 July 2018 on the topic of migration in the context of Africa and Morocco sponsored by the Economic, Social and Environmental Council of Morocco. On 18 and 19 July 2018, the Chair participated in a regional workshop in Dakar on gender, human rights and migration in West Africa, organized by OHCHR, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the International Organization of la Francophonie and the Netherlands, where he spoke on migration and human rights, highlighting the importance of the Convention and the international human rights treaty framework. The Chair additionally participated in a capacity-building workshop on drafting alternative reports for civil society organizations on 2 August 2018 in Dakar.
- 32. On 30 and 31 October 2018, the Chair participated in an international seminar, organized by the Economic, Social and Environmental Council and the House of Representatives of Morocco, focused on the role of economic and social councils and similar institutions, as well as parliaments, in the face of the new challenges of migration. The Chair also participated in an intergovernmental conference organized by the OHCHR regional office for West Africa ahead of the adoption of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration in Marrakech, Morocco, in December 2018. The Chair further participated in a workshop to promote the ratification of the Convention organized by the OHCHR Regional Office for West Africa in Côte d'Ivoire, in November 2018.
- 33. The Committee continued its advocacy for a human rights-based approach grounded in international human rights law in the Global Compact for Migration. The expert working group for addressing women's human rights in the Global Compact for Migration, of which Ms. Dzumhur, Ms. Landázuri de Mora and Mr. Ünver were members, worked on advocacy documents and initiatives.
- 34. The expert working group issued its third statement on 6 August 2018, reflecting on the Global Compact for Migration.<sup>5</sup> In the statement, the expert working group noted its commitment to support States and other key stakeholders in the design and implementation of national migration policies that effectively promoted gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls. The expert working group also developed a practical online guide to provide concrete guidance to States, United Nations agencies, civil society, regional bodies and the private sector on how to ensure that the human rights of all women and girls in migration were at the core of the Global Compact for Migration, through the development and implementation of gender-responsive migration policies in accordance with an international human rights framework.<sup>6</sup>
- 35. The Committee transmitted letters to the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration requesting an invitation to the Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration and indicating its keen interest in the follow-up and implementation of the Global Compact through the United Nations Network on Migration.

<sup>5</sup> See https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CMW/Shared%20Documents/1\_Global/INT\_CMW\_STA\_ 8640\_E.pdf.

<sup>6 &</sup>quot;Policies and practice: a guide to gender-responsive implementation of the Global Compact for Migration". Available at www.unwomen.org/-/media/headquarters/attachments/sections/library/ publications/2018/guide-for-gender-responsive-implementation-of-the-global-compact-for-migration-en.pdf?la=en&vs=5533.

- 36. On 18 October 2018, the Chair of the Committee on Migrant Workers presented the annual report of the Committee on Migrant Workers, covering its twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sessions, to the Third Committee of the General Assembly (A/73/48). The Chair also issued a joint press statement with the Chairs of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the Committee on the Rights of the Child, and the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants. The statement underscored that addressing irregular migration through harsh border control measures and criminalizing irregular migrants contributed to rising intolerance and xenophobia, and also that separating children from undocumented migrant parents was shocking, inhumane and had dire effects on children.<sup>7</sup> The Chair met with representatives of the Permanent Missions of Cameroon, Chad, Gabon and Togo to the United Nations to discuss ratification of the Convention. The Chair also met with the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on International Migration to discuss the Committee's interest in participating in the implementation of and follow-up to the Global Compact for Migration.
- 37. The Committee issued a statement together with the Committee on the Rights of the Child on 26 October 2018, urging States to protect the human rights of Central American migrants, in particular child migrants. The Chair also attended both the Global Forum on Migration and Development and the Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, both held in Marrakech in December 2018, and participated in several side events organized by various partners, including OHCHR, UN-Women, Caritas Internationalis and the Quaker United Nations Office. In addition to the joint statement issued together with the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants (see para. 62 below) on the occasion of International Migrants Day, the Chair issued a statement on the launching of a regional partnership on gender, migration and human rights in West Africa, supported by OHCHR.
- 38. Ms. Dzumhur held a number of meetings with IOM, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and civil society organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina to advocate for the human rights of migrants. She participated in a seminar on the role of local and international mechanisms in combating discrimination, held in Istanbul in May 2018, and a training workshop with the European Border and Coast Guard Agency in June 2018 in Montenegro, at which she highlighted the relevant provisions of the Convention and the Committee's jurisprudence on returns. Ms. Dzumhur also met with representatives of the Permanent Mission of Montenegro to the United Nations to discuss the progress of Montenegro towards ratification of the Convention.
- Mr. Botero Navarro participated in a capacity-building workshop on reporting under the Convention in Mozambique in July 2018 organized by the OHCHR Regional Office in South Africa. He also met with representatives of the Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic to discuss the signature and ratification of the Convention. He participated in a webinar on the Convention with former Committee member Pablo Ceriani Cernadas organized by the Centre for Human Rights at the National University of Lanús in Argentina. He also worked with the judiciary in El Salvador on how to implement the human rights norms contained in the Convention in court decisions. In March 2019, Mr. Botero Navarro participated in two workshops on the protection of the human rights of migrant workers and members of their families under the Convention and on the functions of the Committee, which were organized by the Human Rights Centre of Andres Bello Catholic University and held on the University's campuses in Caracas and Ciudad Guayana in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. Also in March 2019, Mr. Botero Navarro spoke on the protection offered by treaty bodies as part of the universal human rights system, in particular focusing on the protection of the Committee, but also by organs of the inter-American human rights system, of the rights of migrants, refugees and other persons in the context of mixed migration movements, at a conference organized by Sergio Arboleda University Law School in Barranquilla, Colombia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=23764&LangID=E.

<sup>8</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=23867&LangID=E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See http://westafrica.ohchr.org/Declaration-d-Ahmadou-TALL-pour-la-Journee-internationale-des-migrants.html (in French).

- 40. Mr. Ünver published an article entitled "Migration in International Relations: Towards a Rights-Based Approach with the Global Compact?" in Perceptions, a publication of the Turkish Ministry for Foreign Affairs. Mr. Oumaria participated in several capacity-building seminars in the Niger on the Convention, both in 2018 and 2019, organized by IOM, UNODC, UNDP and other partners, focusing, respectively, on parliamentarians, judges and law enforcement personnel.
- From 12 to 14 March 2019, Mr. Charef participated in a regional symposium entitled "Irregular migration from West Africa to Europe: what challenges for the countries of ECOWAS?", in Grand Bassam, Côte d'Ivoire, co-organized by the Ivorian National Commission for UNESCO, the Ministry of African Integration and Ivorians Abroad and the Embassy of the European Union to Côte d'Ivoire. Participants included ministers for African integration of Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) member countries, civil society representatives, experts and members of academia from Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinea, Italy, Mali, Morocco, the Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo and the European Union. On 21 March 2019, in the framework of the sixth international seminar, entitled "Migrations, agriculture, food and sustainable development: Africa and Europe (and beyond) facing the new challenges of globalization", co-organized by the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (Spain), LabexMed (France) and the Ibn Zohr University of Agadir (Morocco), Mr. Charef gave an inaugural lecture entitled "Climate change and human mobility in Africa: an attempt to understand the factors and impacts of rural migration". Also in Agadir, on 23 March 2019, Mr. Charef took part in a public speaking competition on the theme of the rights of migrants, co-organized by the EDTIc research team and the Ibn Zohr University Centre for Studies in Legal and Political Sciences. Finally, Mr. Charef spoke at an inaugural conference held from 27 to 29 March 2019, "Reflections on African migration: between rejection, distance, proximity and commitment", co-organized by the University of Nantes and Western Catholic University (France) and Ibn Zohr University.
- 42. The Committee sent letters to all signatory States requesting that they consider ratifying the Convention, as well as to States parties that had not yet made the declaration under article 77 of the Convention recognizing the competence of the Committee to consider individual communications. The Committee also followed up with States that had made the commitment to consider ratifying the Convention as part of the universal periodic review process.
- 43. With a view to promoting the wider ratification and better implementation of the Convention, the Committee, at its thirtieth session, held a meeting with representatives of ECOWAS member countries, namely Burkina Faso, Liberia, Mali, the Niger, Nigeria, Senegal and Togo. The Committee decided to send letters to all signatory States to the Convention and to States not parties among the ECOWAS member countries requesting that they consider ratifying or acceding to the Convention.
- 44. The Committee decided during its thirtieth session to establish a working group on the Convention and the Global Compact for Migration, with Mr. Charef as its coordinator and Mr. Botero Navarro, Ms. Landázuri, Mr. Oumaria and Mr. Soualem as additional members. Activities of the working group will include a comparative analysis of the Convention and the Global Compact for Migration in cooperation with relevant stakeholders, which the Committee may decide to develop into a general comment. The working group will also coordinate the Committee's input to General Assembly resolutions on the modalities to review the implementation of the Global Compact within the respective regions, beginning in 2020, alternating with discussions at the global level at a four-year interval. It will also facilitate the participation of Committee members in meetings and conferences of the United Nations Network on Migration, develop the Committee's input for the Global Forum on Migration and Development and coordinate participation of Committee members in events alongside the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Global Compact for Migration, para. 50.

45. The Committee accepted the invitation by Azerbaijan to host an informal meeting after its thirty-first session in Baku. The meeting, which will be attended by high-level representatives of the State party, the diplomatic community, United Nations organizations and entities, national human rights institutions and civil society organizations, would provide an opportunity to reflect on the implementation of the Convention in the State party, including analysing national and potentially regional trends on the promotion and protection of the rights of migrant workers and members of their families.

#### J. Meeting with States parties

- 46. The Committee held a meeting with States and other stakeholders on 5 September 2018 during its twenty-ninth session. Over 32 permanent missions of both States parties and States not party to the Convention were represented, along with United Nations agencies and civil society organizations, with over 50 participants in total. The Committee provided an overview of the status of ratification, reporting, the meeting of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies, general comments, cooperation with stakeholders, initiatives related to the promotion of ratification of the Convention and advocacy initiatives regarding the Global Compact for Migration.
- 47. Representatives of the Permanent Missions of the Philippines and Mexico took the floor, expressing their country's support for the Committee and for the promotion of the ratification of the Convention, something that both States did at the regional level. Representatives of permanent missions also inquired about the role of the Committee in the United Nations Network on Migration and expressed the need to involve the United Nations human rights mechanisms in the implementation of the Global Compact for Migration through the United Nations Network on Migration. A representative of the Permanent Mission of Uruguay highlighted the excellent work of the Committee on two joint general comments on the human rights of children in the context of international migration that it had prepared with the Committee on the Rights of the Child as very topical guidelines for States.<sup>11</sup> The representative also underscored the importance of joint initiatives and strengthening cooperation among the treaty bodies.
- 48. Following the meeting, the Chair sent letters to the 32 permanent missions represented at the meeting, requesting States to sign, ratify or accede to the Convention if they had not already done so.

#### K. Adoption of the report

49. On 12 April 2019, during its thirtieth session (429th meeting), the Committee adopted the present annual report to the General Assembly.

#### III. Methods of work

- 50. During its twenty-ninth and thirtieth sessions, the Committee, in line with its long-term programme of work, continued its cooperation with relevant United Nations agencies, offices, entities and other partners, including ILO, IOM, UN-Women, UNICEF and the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention.
- 51. Ms. Landázuri de Mora finalized the Committee's programme of work for 2018–2020 prior to the twenty-ninth session and updated it during the thirtieth session. The

Joint general comment No. 3 (2017) of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families and No. 22 (2017) of the Committee on the Rights of the Child on the general principles regarding the human rights of children in the context of international migration; and joint general comment No. 4 (2017) of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families and No. 23 (2017) of the Committee on the Rights of the Child on State obligations regarding the human rights of children in the context of international migration in countries of origin, transit, destination and return.

programme of work is now available in English, French and Spanish. During the twenty-ninth session, the Committee discussed ways to strengthen the dialogues with States parties, including by clustering questions in order of the articles of the Convention and using a dialogue checklist with lists of sample questions to ensure coverage of the priority issues and avoid repetition. It decided to have those documents made available in English, French and Spanish to facilitate further discussion and implementation. As part of its programme of work, the Committee, during its thirtieth session, discussed and adopted a communication concept for the promotion of the Convention, drafted by Mr. Ünver. It includes a number of information-sharing and awareness-raising initiatives for the promotion of the Convention and its wider ratification, which the Committee will embark on in States parties as well as in States that have not yet ratified or acceded to the Convention. The target audience will be primarily government bodies, political parties, trade unions, United Nations entities and other international and regional organizations, civil society organizations, including migrants associations and international human rights organizations, academia, the media and the general public.

- 52. The Committee adopted the aligned procedure for follow-up to concluding observations and follow-up to decisions and views, as contained in annex II to the report of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies on their thirtieth meeting (A/73/140). The Committee also decided to reinstate the follow-up paragraph in its concluding observations, noting that the assessments were to be carried out by the Rapporteurs assigned to the country concerned pursuant to the aligned procedure for follow-up to concluding observations. It adopted three follow-up letters, for Kyrgyzstan and Peru during its twenty-ninth session, and for Honduras during its thirtieth session. The Committee also decided to include a standard paragraph in its concluding observations noting positively when the State party had voted in support of the Global Compact for Migration and recommending that the State party work towards its implementation, ensuring full compliance with the Convention.
- 53. The Committee was briefed on its first allegation of reprisal with respect to civil society organizations that had cooperated with the Committee by submitting an alternative report in relation to a review of a State party by the Committee.<sup>13</sup>
- 54. Ms. Landázuri de Mora and Mr. Ünver participated in a workshop on the simplified reporting procedure, held on 10 and 11 December 2018 in Geneva, organized by OHCHR and the Geneva Academy. Mr. Botero Navarro participated in a workshop on reprisals, held on 12 and 13 December in Geneva, organized by OHCHR. On 26 and 27 February 2019, Ms. Landázuri de Mora participated in a meeting organized by the Danish Institute against Torture Dignity entitled, "Developing a treaty body oriented position for the 2020 review", in Copenhagen.

#### IV. Cooperation with bodies concerned

- 55. The Committee continued its cooperation with United Nations specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations and national human rights institutions. While welcoming their contributions in relation to consideration of the reports of States parties, the Committee encouraged them to cooperate more actively with it by submitting country-specific information.
- 56. The Committee continued its close cooperation with ILO, which provided assistance in a consultative capacity, in accordance with article 74 (5) of the Convention, and with IOM, UNICEF and UN-Women.

Information on follow-up to concluding observations can be found on the Committee's web page at https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/\_layouts/TreatyBodyExternal/FollowUp.aspx?Treaty=CMW&Lang=en.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Information on allegations of reprisals can be found on the Committee's web page at www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/Reprisals.aspx. See also A/HRC/39/41, para. 54, and annex, paras. 69–70.

- 57. As members of the UN-Women expert working group for addressing women's human rights in the Global Compact for Migration, Ms. Dzumhur, Ms. Landázuri de Mora and Mr. Ünver worked on advocacy documents and initiatives to ensure that the human rights of all women and girls in migration were at the core of the Global Compact for Migration. Mr. Ünver also met with representatives of UN-Women during the Committee's twenty-ninth session to discuss a possible general comment on the human rights of women in situations of international migration.
- 58. Ms. Dzumhur, Ms. Landázuri de Mora and Mr. Ünver conferred via video link during the Committee's thirtieth session; participated in the meetings of the UN-Women expert working group for addressing women's human rights on 20 September, 2 November and 20 December 2018 and on 21 February and 11 April 2019; supported the development of a policies and practice guide to be delivered at the Global Forum on Migration and Development in 2019, in Marrakech; supported the update of the terms of reference of the expert working group with activities and objectives for 2019; disseminated the call for inputs and submission for the Committee's draft general comment; and solicited inputs and support for the statement for International Women's Day 2019.
- 59. During its twenty-ninth session, the Committee adopted a joint statement with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and other United Nations human rights mechanisms for the development of a regional response to the massive arrival of Venezuelan migrants in neighbouring countries.<sup>14</sup> It also adopted a joint press statement together with the Committee on the Rights of the Child on the protection of the human rights of Venezuelan migrants, including children.<sup>15</sup> Following its twenty-ninth session, the Committee issued a joint press statement together with the Committee on the Rights of the Child calling on the relevant States to protect the human rights of Central American migrants.<sup>16</sup>
- 60. As Co-Chair of the Working Group on Human Rights and Gender Equality, OHCHR had established a framework for cooperation with the World Health Organization for the promotion of the health and human rights of women, children and adolescents. To take that initiative forward, a meeting of treaty body experts, in which Ms. Dzumhur and Mr. Frasheri participated, was convened in November 2018 to consider strategies for acting on recommendations contained in the report of the High-level Working Group on the Health and Human Rights of Women, Children and Adolescents.
- 61. Numerous civil society partners also advocated for a framework for governing migration that was respectful of human rights and the rule of law. A joint statement calling on States to end child immigration detention was coordinated by the Inter-Agency Working Group to End Child Immigration Detention. The statement, which was issued in May 2018, made reference to the Committee's general comment No. 4.
- 62. The Committee continued its cooperation with the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, including the issuance of a joint press release for International Migrants' Day.<sup>17</sup> During its twenty-ninth and thirtieth sessions, the Committee met with the Special Rapporteur, who briefed the Committee on his activities, including upcoming country visits, his thematic report presented to the Human Rights Council in June 2018, which focused on return and reintegration of migrants, and his forthcoming thematic report to the General Assembly on access to justice for migrants. He also briefed the Committee on his advocacy initiatives related to the Global Compact for Migration, relevant conferences and meetings with stakeholders and promotional activities regarding the Convention.
- 63. During its twenty-ninth session, the Committee met with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders, who briefed the Committee on his activities, including his country visits to Australia and Mexico, as well as his upcoming thematic report on the situation of women human rights defenders to be submitted to the Human

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/CMW/JointStatement\_Venezuela5September2018\_SP.pdf.

<sup>15</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=23505&LangID=E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=23867&LangID=E.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/CMW/StatementCMW\_SRMigrants\_18Dec2018.docx.

Rights Council at its fortieth session. He also discussed ways in which cooperation between the Committee and his mandate could be strengthened in relation to the submission of inputs for the review of States parties by the Committee, joint statements and reprisals. He also informed the Committee about the joint statement on safeguarding and protecting human rights defenders adopted by the Special Rapporteur and the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies at the annual meeting of the treaty body Chairs in June 2018, which the Committee endorsed at its twenty-ninth session (see para. 27 above).<sup>18</sup>

64. The Committee met with the OHCHR migration team during the Committee's twenty-ninth and the thirtieth sessions and was briefed on the migration-related activities of OHCHR, including advocacy initiatives to ensure a human rights-based approach to the Global Compact for Migration, ensuring a role for OHCHR and the human rights mechanisms in the implementation and follow-up to the Global Compact, various country visits, outreach to field presences on migration, capacity-building initiatives and publications.

#### V. Reports of States parties under article 73 of the Convention

65. The Committee notes that, as at 12 April 2019, 14 States parties had not yet submitted their initial and periodic reports due under article 73 of the Convention. Annex III contains a table showing the due dates of the reports of States parties.

## VI. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article 74 of the Convention

#### A. Adoption of lists of issues and lists of issues prior to reporting

66. At its twenty-ninth and thirtieth sessions, the Committee adopted four lists of issues, on the initial to third combined periodic reports of Cabo Verde and on the third periodic reports of Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina and Colombia. It also adopted three lists of issues prior to reporting, in relation to States parties that had accepted to report under the simplified reporting procedure, namely Azerbaijan, and those that had been notified under rule 31 bis of the provisional rules of procedure (A/67/48 and Corr.1, para. 26), namely Sao Tome and Principe and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

State party	Type of report (due since)	Symbol of list of issues or list of issues prior to reporting
Azerbaijan	Third periodic report (1 May 2018)	CMW/C/AZE/QPR/3
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Third periodic report (1 July 2018)	CMW/C/BOL/Q/3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Third periodic report (1 October 2017)	CMW/C/BIH/Q/3
Cabo Verde	Combined initial to third periodic reports (1 September 2016)	CMW/C/CPV/Q/1-3
Colombia	Third periodic report (1 May 2018)	CMW/C/COL/Q/3
Sao Tome and Principe	Initial report (1 May 2018)	CMW/C/STP/QPR/1
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	Initial report (1 February 2018)	CMW/C/VEN/QPR/1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=23173&LangID=E.

#### B. Adoption of concluding observations

- 67. At its twenty-ninth session, the Committee considered the initial reports of Madagascar and Mozambique in relation to the implementation of the Convention, and adopted concluding observations with respect to those States parties, in accordance with article 74 of the Convention.
- 68. At its thirtieth session, the Committee considered the initial report of Libya and the second periodic reports of Albania, Guatemala and Tajikistan with respect to the implementation of the Convention, and adopted concluding observations thereon, in accordance with article 74 of the Convention.
- 69. The concluding observations adopted by the Committee at its twenty-ninth and thirtieth sessions are available from the Committee's web page<sup>19</sup> and from the Official Document System of the United Nations (http://documents.un.org) under the symbols indicated below.

State party	Symbol of concluding observations	
Albania	CMW/C/ALB/CO/2	
Guatemala	CMW/C/GTM/CO/2	
Libya	CMW/C/LBY/CO/1	
Madagascar	CMW/C/MDG/CO/1	
Mozambique	CMW/C/MOZ/CO/1	
Tajikistan	CMW/C/TJK/CO/2	

- 70. Comments and observations by States parties on the concluding observations are available from the Committee's web page<sup>20</sup> under the relevant session number.
- 71. All documents issued in connection with sessions of the Committee can be found on the web page of the Committee.<sup>21</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> See www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/CMWIndex.aspx.

<sup>20</sup> Ibid

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> See http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/\_layouts/TreatyBodyExternal/SessionsList.aspx?Treaty=CMW.

#### Annex I

# States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families as at 12 April 2019

State	Signature or succession to signature	Ratification, accession or succession
Albania	-	5 June 2007 <sup>a</sup>
Algeria	-	21 April 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Argentina	10 August 2004	23 February 2007
Armenia	26 September 2013	-
Azerbaijan	-	11 January 1999 <sup>a</sup>
Bangladesh	7 October 1998	24 August 2011
Belize	-	14 November 2001 <sup>a</sup>
Benin	15 September 2005	6 July 2018
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	-	16 October 2000 <sup>a</sup>
Bosnia and Herzegovina	-	13 December 1996 <sup>a</sup>
Burkina Faso	16 November 2001	26 November 2003
Cambodia	27 September 2004	-
Cameroon	15 December 2009	-
Cabo Verde	-	16 September 1997 <sup>a</sup>
Chad	26 September 2012	-
Chile	24 September 1993	21 March 2005
Colombia	-	24 May 1995 <sup>a</sup>
Comoros	22 September 2000	-
Congo	29 September 2008	31 March 2017
Ecuador	-	5 February 2002 <sup>a, b</sup>
Egypt	-	19 February 1993 <sup>a</sup>
El Salvador	13 September 2002	14 March 2003 <sup>c</sup>
Gabon	15 December 2004	-
Gambia	20 September 2017	28 September 2018
Ghana	7 September 2000	7 September 2000
Guatemala	7 September 2000	14 March 2003 <sup>d</sup>
Guinea	-	7 September 2000 <sup>a</sup>
Guinea-Bissau	12 September 2000	22 October 2018 <sup>e</sup>
Guyana	15 September 2005	7 July 2010

State	Signature or succession to signature	Ratification, accession or succession
Haiti	5 December 2013	-
Honduras	-	9 August 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Indonesia	22 September 2004	31 May 2012
Jamaica	25 September 2008	25 September 2008
Kyrgyzstan	-	29 September 2003 <sup>a</sup>
Lesotho	24 September 2004	16 September 2005
Liberia	22 September 2004	-
Libya	-	18 June 2004 <sup>a</sup>
Madagascar	24 September 2014	13 May 2015
Mali	-	5 June 2003 <sup>a</sup>
Mauritania	-	22 January 2007 <sup>a</sup>
Mexico	22 May 1991	8 March 1999 <sup>f</sup>
Montenegro	23 October 2006 <sup>g</sup>	-
Morocco	15 August 1991	21 June 1993
Mozambique	15 March 2012	19 August 2013
Nicaragua	-	26 October 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Niger	-	18 March 2009 <sup>a</sup>
Nigeria	-	27 July 2009 <sup>a</sup>
Palau	20 September 2011	-
Paraguay	13 September 2000	23 September 2008
Peru	22 September 2004	14 September 2005
Philippines	15 November 1993	5 July 1995
Rwanda	-	15 December 2008 <sup>a</sup>
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	-	29 October 2010 <sup>a</sup>
Sao Tome and Principe	6 September 2000	10 January 2017
Senegal	-	9 June 1999 <sup>a</sup>
Serbia	11 November 2004	-
Seychelles	-	15 December 1994 <sup>a</sup>
Sierra Leone	15 September 2000	-
Sri Lanka	-	11 March 1996 <sup>a</sup>
Syrian Arab Republic	-	2 June 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Гаjikistan	7 September 2000	8 January 2002
Timor-Leste	-	30 January 2004 <sup>a</sup>
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Годо	15 November 2001	-

State	Signature or succession to signature	Ratification, accession or succession
Uganda	-	14 November 1995 <sup>a</sup>
Uruguay	-	15 February 2001 <sup>a, h</sup>
Venezuela (Bolivarian Rep	ublic of) 4 October 2011	25 October 2016

- <sup>a</sup> Accession.
- b On 12 January 2018, Ecuador made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under articles 76 and 77 of the Convention to receive and consider inter-State and individual communications.
- On 23 January 2015, El Salvador made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under articles 76 and 77 of the Convention to receive and consider inter-State and individual communications.
- d On 11 September 2007, Guatemala made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under articles 76 and 77 of the Convention to receive and consider inter-State and individual communications.
- <sup>e</sup> On 22 October 2018, Guinea-Bissau made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under article 76 (1) of the Convention to receive and consider inter-State communications.
- f On 15 September 2008, Mexico made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under article 77 of the Convention to receive individual communications.
  - <sup>g</sup> Succession to signature.
- h On 13 April 2012, Uruguay made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under article 77 of the Convention to receive individual communications.

#### **Annex II**

#### Membership of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families as at 12 April 2019

Name of member	Country of nationality	Term expires on 31 December
Álvaro Botero Navarro	Colombia	2021
Mohammed Charef	Morocco	2019
Jasminka <b>Dzumhur</b>	Bosnia and Herzegovina	2019
Ahmed Hassan El-Borai	Egypt	2019
Ermal <b>Frasheri</b>	Albania	2021
Md. Shahidul <b>Haque</b>	Bangladesh	2021
Prasad Kariyawasam	Sri Lanka	2021
María <b>Landázuri de Mora</b>	Ecuador	2019
Marco Núñez-Melgar Maguiña	Peru	2019
Mamane Oumaria	Niger	2021
Lazhar Soualem	Algeria	2019
Azad <b>Taghi-Zada</b>	Azerbaijan	2021
Ahmadou Tall	Senegal	2021
Can Ünver	Turkey	2019

#### Composition of the Bureau

Chair: Ahmadou Tall

Vice-Chairs: Jasminka Dzumhur

María Landázuri de Mora

Can Ünver

Rapporteur: Álvaro Botero Navarro

#### **Annex III**

## Submission of reports under article 73 of the Convention as at 12 April 2019

State party	Type of report	Date due	Date report received/date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure	Session at which (will be) examined
Albania	Initial	1 October 2008	6 October 2009	Thirteenth (2010)
	Second	1 November 2015 <sup>a</sup>	19 December 2016	Thirtieth (2019)
	Third	1 May 2024	-	-
Algeria	Initial	1 August 2006	3 June 2008	Twelfth (2010)
	Second	1 May 2012	7 December 2015	Twenty-eighth (2018)
	Third	1 May 2023	-	-
Argentina	Initial	1 June 2008	2 February 2010	Fifteenth (2011)
	Second	1 October 2016	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-eighth session (2018)	Thirty-first (2019)
Azerbaijan <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	22 June 2007	Tenth (2009)
	Second	1 May 2011	26 October 2011	Eighteenth (2013)
	Third	1 May 2018	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-ninth session (2018)	-
Bangladesh	Initial	1 December 2012	28 December 2015	Twenty-sixth (2017)
	Second	1 May 2022	-	-
Belize	Initial	1 July 2004	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the eighteenth session (2013)	Twenty-first (2014) in the absence of a report and of a delegation
	Combined initial to third	5 September 2016	-	-
Benin	Initial	1 November 2019	-	-
Bolivia	Initial	1 July 2004	22 January 2007	Eighth (2008)
(Plurinational State of)	Second	1 July 2009	18 October 2011	Eighteenth (2013)
	Third	1 July 2018	29 November 2018	-
Bosnia and	Initial	1 July 2004	2 August 2007	Tenth (2009)
Herzegovina	Second	1 May 2011	12 August 2011	Seventeenth (2012)
	Third	1 October 2017	1 November 2017	Thirty-first (2019)

State party	Type of report	Date due	Date report received/date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure	Session at which (will be) examined
Burkina Faso	Initial	1 March 2005	6 November 2012	Nineteenth (2013)
	Second	13 September 2018	-	-
Cabo Verde	Initial	1 July 2004	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twentieth session (2014)	Twenty-third session (2015), in the absence of a report and of a delegation
	Combined initial to third	9 September 2016	2 August 2018	Thirty-second (2020)
Chile	Initial	1 July 2006	9 February 2010	Fifteenth (2011)
	Second	1 October 2016	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-eighth session (2018)	Thirty-second (2020)
Colombia	Initial	1 July 2004	25 January 2008	Tenth (2010)
	Second	1 May 2011	18 October 2011	Eighteenth (2013)
	Third	1 May 2018	2 May 2018	Thirty-first (2019)
Congo	Initial	1 July 2018	-	-
Ecuador <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	27 October 2006	Seventh (2007)
	Second	1 July 2009	23 November 2009	Thirteenth (2010)
	Third	1 July 2015	3 May 2017	Twenty-seventh (2017)
	Fourth	1 October 2022	-	-
Egypt	Initial	1 July 2004	6 April 2006	Sixth (2007)
	Second	1 July 2009	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-sixth session (2017)	-
El Salvador	Initial	1 July 2004	19 February 2007	Ninth (2008)
	Second	1 December 2010	19 February 2014	Twentieth (2014)
	Third	1 May 2019	-	-
Gambia	Initial	1 January 2020	-	-
Ghana	Initial	1 July 2004	31 August 2014	Twenty-first (2014)
	Second	5 September 2019	-	-
Guatemala <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	8 March 2010	Fifteenth (2011)
	Second	1 October 2016	1 November 2018	Thirtieth (2019)
	Third	1 May 2024	-	-
Guinea	Initial	1 July 2004	22 July 2015	Twenty-third (2015)
	Second	9 September 2020	-	-

State party	Type of report	Date due	Date report received/date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure	Session at which (will be) examined
Guinea-Bissau	Initial	1 February 2020	-	-
Guyana	Initial	1 November 2011	9 April 2018	Twenty-eighth (2018)
	Second	1 May 2023	-	-
Honduras	Initial	1 December 2006	28 April 2016	Twenty-fifth (2016)
	Second	1 October 2021	-	-
Indonesia	Initial	1 September 2013	28 April 2017	Twenty-seventh (2017)
	Second	1 October 2022	-	-
Jamaica	Initial	1 January 2010	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-third session (2015)	Twenty-sixth (2017), in the absence of a report
	Combined initial and second	1 May 2019	-	-
Kyrgyzstan	Initial	1 January 2005	10 June 2014	Twenty-second (2015)
	Second	24 April 2020	-	-
Lesotho	Initial	1 January 2007	1 December 2015	Twenty-fourth (2016)
	Second	1 May 2021	-	-
Libya	Initial	1 October 2005	27 March 2019	Thirtieth (2019)
	Second	1 May 2024	-	-
Madagascar	Initial	1 September 2016	8 August 2018	Twenty-ninth (2018)
	Second	1 October 2023	-	-
Mali	Initial	1 October 2004	29 July 2005	Fourth (2006)
	Second	1 October 2009	1 October 2013	Twentieth (2014)
	Third	1 May 2019	-	-
Mauritania	Initial	1 May 2008	13 October 2015	Twenty-fourth (2016)
	Second	1 May 2021	-	-
Mexico <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	14 November 2005	Fifth (2006)
	Second	1 July 2009	9 December 2009	Fourteenth (2011)
	Third	1 April 2016	19 May 2017	Twenty-seventh (2017)
	Fourth	1 October 2022	-	-
Morocco	Initial	1 July 2004	12 July 2012	Nineteenth (2013)
	Second	13 September 2018	-	-
Mozambique	Initial	1 December 2014	14 August 2018	Twenty-ninth (2018)
	Second	1 October 2023	-	-

State party	Type of report	Date due	Date report received/date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure	Session at which (will be) examined
Nicaragua	Initial	1 February 2007	31 August 2016	Twenty-fifth (2016)
	Second	1 October 2021	-	-
Niger	Initial	1 July 2010	25 July 2016	Twenty-fifth (2016)
	Second	1 October 2021	-	-
Nigeria	Initial	1 November 2010	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-third session (2015)	Twenty-sixth (2017) in the absence of a report and of a delegation
	Combined initial and second	1 May 2018	-	-
Paraguay	Initial	1 January 2010	10 January 2011	Sixteenth (2012)
	Second	1 May 2017	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-eighth session (2018)	Thirty-second (2020)
Peru	Initial	1 January 2007	14 August 2013	Twenty-second (2015)
	Second	24 April 2020	-	-
Philippines	Initial	1 July 2004	7 March 2008	Tenth (2009)
	Second	1 May 2011	13 March 2014	Twentieth (2014)
	Third	1 May 2019	-	-
Rwanda	Initial	1 April 2010	21 October 2011	Seventeenth (2012)
	Second	1 October 2017	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-eighth session (2018)	Thirty-second (2020)
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Initial	1 February 2012	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-fourth session (2016)	Twenty-eighth (2018) in the absence of a report and of a delegation
	Initial and second	1 May 2019	-	-
Sao Tome and Principe	Initial	1 May 2018	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the thirtieth session (2019)	-
Senegal <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	1 December 2009	Thirteenth (2010)
	Second and third	1 November 2014	25 February 2016	Twenty-fourth (2016)
	Fourth	1 May 2021	-	-
Seychelles	Initial	1 July 2004	21 August 2015	Twenty-third (2015)
	Second	9 September 2020	-	-

State party	Type of report	Date due	Date report received/date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure	Session at which (will be) examined
Sri Lanka	Initial	1 July 2004	23 April 2008	Eleventh (2009)
	Second	1 November 2011	3 May 2016	Twenty-fifth (2016)
	Third	1 October 2021	-	-
Syrian Arab Republic	Initial	1 October 2006	21 December 2006	Eighth (2008)
	Second	1 October 2011	-	-
Tajikistan	Initial	1 July 2004	3 December 2010	Sixteenth (2012)
	Second	1 May 2017	2 May 2017	Thirtieth (2019)
	Third	1 May 2024	-	-
Timor-Leste	Initial	1 May 2005	1 September 2015	Twenty-third (2015)
	Second	9 September 2020	-	-
Turkey	Initial	1 January 2006	8 April 2016	Twenty-fourth (2016)
	Second	1 May 2021	-	-
Uganda	Initial	1 July 2004	31 March 2015	Twenty-second (2015)
	Second	24 April 2020	-	-
Uruguay	Initial	1 July 2004	30 January 2013	Twentieth (2014)
	Second	1 May 2019	-	-
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	Initial	1 February 2018	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-ninth session (2018)	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Extension requested until 1 February 2016.

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<sup>b States parties that have accepted the simplified reporting procedure of the Committee by which the lists of issues prior to reporting adopted by the Committee and the written replies to the lists of issues prior to reporting shall be considered as the initial or periodic reports under article 73 (1) (b) of the Convention. The Committee may also adopt lists of issues prior to reporting in cases where it decides to review the implementation of the Convention in the absence of a report, under rule 34 of its rules of procedure (CMW/C/2).</sup>