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# Annual report of the Implementation Support Unit

## Submitted by the Implementation Support Unit

Summary

This report describes the activities of the Implementation Support Unit in 2020 and 2021 to implement the mandate given to it by the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Review Conferences to support States Parties in the administration and comprehensive implementation of the Convention, to promote universalization of the Convention, to facilitate the exchange of Confidence-Building Measures, to establish and administer the assistance database, to administer the sponsorship programme and to support, as appropriate, the implementation by the States Parties of the decisions and recommendations of the Review Conferences. The Seventh Review Conference decided that the Unit "will submit a concise annual written report to all States Parties on its activities to implement its mandate" (BWC/CONF.VIII/7, Part III, paragraph 36) and the Eighth Review Conference decided to continue this practice (BWC/CONF.VIII/4, Part III, paragraph 8).



## I. Introduction

1. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 Meeting of States Parties was unable to take place as planned in December 2020 and the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) was therefore unable to submit its annual report covering its activities in 2020. The 2020 Meeting of States Parties was postponed several times and States Parties agreed by written silence procedure that it would take place from 22 to 25 November 2021 in Geneva. This report therefore covers the activities of the ISU in both 2020 and most of 2021.

2. In 2020 and 2021, the ISU continued to operate in accordance with the decisions and recommendations of the Eighth Review Conference (BWC/CONF.VIII/4, part III), which renewed for the period from 2017 to 2021 the mandate of the Unit originally decided by the Sixth Review Conference and extended by the Seventh Review Conference.

3. The ISU is funded by the States Parties to the Convention as part of the costs for the intersessional programme, which the Eighth Review Conference decided would be "shared by all States Parties to the Convention, based on the United Nations scale of assessment prorated to take into account differences in membership between the Convention and the United Nations" (BWC/CONF.VIII/4, Part III, paragraph 11). The budget for the ISU in 2020 can be found in the cost estimates approved by the Eighth Review Conference, (BWC/CONF.VIII/5) and in those approved by the 2017 Meeting of States Parties (BWC/MSP/2017/5). The budget for the ISU in 2021 can be found in the cost estimates approved by the 2019 Meeting of States Parties (BWC/MSP/2019/6).

4. As reported throughout the current intersessional programme, challenges have persisted with respect to the financial situation of the Convention and continuing attention has been given to its structural and financial arrangements as the perpetuation of financial liabilities is not a sustainable situation. However, the adoption of budgetary and financial measures by the 2018 Meeting of States Parties (BWC/MSP/2018/6, Part V, paragraphs 20-24) contributed to improving the overall financial situation. Detailed information on the overall financial situation of the Convention can be found in the report submitted by the Chairperson (BWC/MSP/2020/5). One-year contracts were given to the staff members of the ISU from July 2019 to June 2020 and from July 2020 to June 2021. In July 2021, because the mandate of the ISU expires at the end of 2021, the contracts of the staff members of the 2020 Meeting of States Parties to address the financial situation, including letters dated 9 February 2021 and 16 September 2021 to 22 States Parties with significant unpaid assessed contributions.

5. The ISU is housed within the Geneva Branch of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) which oversees and supports the operations of the ISU. Accordingly, UNODA is responsible for the recruitment, selection and performance reviews of staff members and for all other administrative issues such as office space, procurement of equipment, leave and travel requests and training. UNODA is also fiduciary responsible and manages the voluntary contributions described below in section VIII that are received in support of the Convention from States Parties and international/regional organizations, while the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) manages the assessed contributions received from States Parties and the Working Capital Fund.

6. The ISU comprises three full-time staff positions, subject to the Staff Rules and Regulations of the United Nations and funded by the assessed contributions received from States Parties. The activities of the ISU (and BWC activities in general) are supported by the United Nations in accordance with the annual resolution on the Convention adopted by the General Assembly but receive no funding from the regular budget of the United Nations.

7. This report contains sections devoted to each of the main elements of the ISU mandate, as well as three annexes (in English only):

Annex I:	Meetings and	events attended	by the II	mplementation	Support Unit;

- Annex II: National Points of Contact; and
- Annex III: Participation in the Confidence-Building Measures;

### **II.** Administrative support for the Convention

8. The ISU forms the substantive secretariat for the 2020 Meetings of Experts and the 2020 Meeting of States Parties and also supports the activities of the office-holders. The ISU continued to undertake a broad range of administrative functions as described in past reports, including the preparation of official documents for the Meetings of Experts and the Meeting of States Parties, among them many working papers submitted by States Parties.

9. As noted above, the 2020 Meetings of Experts and the 2020 Meeting of States Parties were postponed several times due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To facilitate informal discussions on the topics to be considered by each Meeting of Experts, the Chairperson of the Meeting of States Parties encouraged the organization of informal webinars. Five such webinars took place in October and November 2020, and a further four webinars took place in May, June and July 2021. Each webinar was moderated by the Chair of the respective Meeting of Experts, organized by the ISU and was attended by experts from around the world. Video recordings of the webinars, as well as presentations delivered, are available on the webpages of the 2020 Meetings of Experts.<sup>1</sup>

10. In 2021, the old UNOG website which had previously hosted the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC) website was decommissioned. As no provision was made in the new UNOG website for the websites of the disarmament conventions, it was decided that all disarmament conventions websites would be hosted on the UNODA website. The ISU therefore oversaw the migration of the BWC website to the UNODA website, including all official documents of past and current meetings. The new website is more user-friendly and provides greater accessibility and also hosts the Cooperation and Assistance Database and the eCBM platform.

11. The ISU also continued to make use of social media to increase awareness about the Convention. For example, the ISU Twitter account has attracted almost 3,000 followers.<sup>2</sup> It complements the BWC website which remains the primary repository of documents and information on the Convention. During 2021, the ISU also launched a BWC YouTube channel which hosts video recordings from the webinars mentioned above, as well as other video products.<sup>3</sup> In addition, the ISU publishes a quarterly "BWC Newsletter", an informal publication which provides information on developments relevant to the Convention, updates on ISU activities, details of assistance opportunities for States Parties and links to publications of relevance to the Convention. The Newsletter is circulated by e-mail and also posted on the BWC website.<sup>4</sup>

12. The ISU maintained regular contact with many scientific, professional and academic institutions as well as industry and non-governmental organisations. These contacts have provided insight and information that assisted the ISU in supporting the efforts of States Parties. The ISU also maintained regular contact with a wide range of international organizations relevant to the Convention. The ISU, in activities consistent with its mandate, remains an active participant in regular processes, outreach and implementation efforts undertaken by these organizations, although physical participation in events has been put on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **III.** Implementation of the Convention

13. The ISU continued to collect and update details of national points of contact for the Convention in 2020 and 2021 (see Annex II). As of 27 September 2021, 129 States Parties had nominated a national point of contact. One Signatory State, three States not party and one regional organization had also provided points of contact. Contact information for these national points of contact is provided in the restricted area of the BWC website.

14. Participation by the ISU in workshops and seminars usually plays a crucial role in raising awareness of the Convention and its implementation, both for national governments

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See https://meetings.unoda.org/meeting/bwc-mx-2020/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> www.twitter/com/BWCISU

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXU-Y\_IU5TsvVEaJC6LUrtw

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See http://mailchi.mp/734eb0c7439d/news-from-the-bwc-isu

and other relevant actors such as international and regional organizations, the scientific community, professional associations, academia and the private sector. However, the COVID-19 pandemic put a complete stop to physical participation in such events in early 2020 which continues to the time of writing of this report. In response, the ISU has participated in a large number of events virtually, and has also hosted a large number of virtual events. While such events can lack the impact of in-person events, they have allowed the ISU to conduct a larger number of more geographically diverse events than has previously been possible. Despite the pandemic, the ISU has continued to work closely with several regional and sub-regional organizations, *inter alia*, the African Union, the Association of South East Asian Nations, the Caribbean Community, the European Union, the Intergovernmental Authority for Development, the Organisation of American States and the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

15. With funding from the European Union, and input from a number of experts, the ISU has prepared a publication entitled "Guide to Implementing the Biological Weapons Convention" which will provide practical information on the implementation of the Convention for States Parties. The publication will be available in both hard copy for distribution at workshops and other such events, as well as on the BWC website.

16. The ISU continues to record a significant increase in the number of States Parties, regional and international organizations and other entities seeking assistance with the implementation or other aspects of the Convention. Such interest is expressed in the form of assistance requests submitted either through the cooperation and assistance database or raised bilaterally, or through approaches to the ISU regarding its participation in national assistance activities. These include national or regional activities in the context of, *inter alia*, European Union Council Decision 2019/97/CFSP, United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004) or the European Union Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Risk Mitigation Centres of Excellence (EU CBRN CoEs). Details of all such activities, and others, are provided in Annex I to this report.

17. In 2020 and 2021, the ISU conducted almost no official travel due to the COVID-19 pandemic and participation in the many events that took place was conducted virtually.

## IV. Confidence-Building Measures (CBMs)

18. In accordance with the decisions of previous Review Conferences, the ISU supports the exchange of confidence-building measures (CBMs). The ISU maintains electronic versions of the CBM forms on the BWC website in all official languages. Annex III lists the 2020 and 2021 submissions (covering the 2019 and 2020 calendar years) and includes a breakdown by each CBM form.

19. In accordance with the request of the Seventh Review Conference, the ISU developed an electronic CBM platform<sup>5</sup> with financial support from Germany and the European Union. The platform was introduced at the Meetings of Experts in August 2018 and utilized for the first time in 2019. It enables the electronic submission of CBMs in all six languages and also provides for data-search capabilities of CBMs. The platform also serves as the repository of all the CBMs submitted since 1987 with reports being either made publicly accessible or for States Parties only.<sup>6</sup> Furthermore, it facilitates a more user-friendly approach in the manner and format in which information is submitted by States Parties. The number of States Parties that have made their CBM submissions online via the eCBM platform increased considerably in 2021. A total of 20 States Parties (i.e. 24 per cent of all submissions received so far) have done so directly through the eCBM platform.

20. All 2020 and 2021 CBM returns are available to States Parties on the eCBM platform.

21. The year 2020 saw the then highest ever number of CBMs submitted with reports received from 85 States Parties. As of 31 December 2020:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://bwc-ecbm.unog.ch/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The eCBM platform replaces the secure internet site established by the ISU in 2007 as per the decision of the Sixth Review Conference.

(a) A total of 85 States Parties (46.4 per cent) had submitted a CBM in 2020 covering the calendar year 2019;

(b) Of these, 39 submitted their CBM on or before the deadline of 15 April 2020;

(c) A total of seven States Parties which submitted a CBM in 2019 had not done so in 2020;

(d) A total of 10 other States Parties which did not submit a CBM in 2019 had done so in 2020;

(e) One State Party submitted a CBM for the first time in 2020; and

(f) A total of 55 States Parties have never submitted a CBM.

22. However, this figure has already been eclipsed by 27 September 2021 with submissions made by 87 States Parties. This is 14 more submissions than at the same time last year and submissions continue to be made. As of 27 September 2021:

(a) A total of 87 States Parties (47.5 per cent) had submitted a CBM in 2021 covering the calendar year 2020;

(b) Of these, 48 submitted their CBM on or before the deadline of 15 April 2021;

(c) A total of nine States Parties which submitted a CBM in 2021 had not done so in 2020;

(d) A total of seven other States Parties which did not submit a CBM in 2021 had done so in 2020;

(e) Three States Parties submitted a CBM for the first time in 2021; and

(f) A total of 52 States Parties have never submitted a CBM.

23. With funding from the European Union and Germany, the ISU has conducted online CBM training courses for Kenya, Mali, Nigeria, Sudan and Sri Lanka. The courses are designed to respond to requests from these States Parties for assistance and guidance in preparing and submitting the annual CBM reports.

### V. Promotion of universalization

24. The ISU supported the Chairperson of the Meeting of States Parties in his activities to promote universalization by preparing correspondence and briefing materials.

25. The ISU also provided information and advice on the Convention to several Signatory States and States not party. In particular, the ISU, UNODA and Kenya co-organized a virtual regional universalization workshop on 4 March 2021 in the framework of European Union Council Decision 2019/97/CFSP. The workshop was intended to encourage the eight States not party in Africa (Chad, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Namibia, Somalia and South Sudan) to ratify or accede to the Convention as soon as possible. The workshop was attended by senior representatives from Chad, Egypt, Namibia and South Sudan. Also, in the framework of the European Union Council Decision, the ISU, UNODA and Kenya are planning to organize a virtual workshop for the Permanent Missions to the African Union in Addis Ababa of the eight States not party in late 2021.

26. More detailed information on these universalization activities, and the results to date, can be found in the Report of the Chairperson on Universalization Activities (BWC/MSP/2020/3).

#### VI. Database for assistance requests and offers

27. The Seventh Review Conference decided to establish a database system to facilitate requests for and offers of exchange of assistance and cooperation among States Parties (BWC/CONF.VII/7, part III, paragraphs 17–20). The Conference mandated the ISU to establish and administer the database; to facilitate, on request, the exchange of information

among States Parties relating to the database and any resulting cooperation and assistance activities; and to report to States Parties on the operation of the database detailing the offers made, requests sought and matches made during a calendar year. Following the launch of the new Database in 2017, which was supported through a voluntary contribution from Ireland, the ISU has continued to maintain and administer the database during 2020 and 2021.

28. As of 27 September 2021, the database contains:

(a) A total of 77 offers for assistance, from 10 States Parties and one group of States Parties; and

(b) A total of 51 requests for assistance, from 17 States Parties.

29. As reported below, in 2021 UNODA has received voluntary contributions from Norway and the Philippines to support the implementation of Article X. The contributions will be used to further improve the database to ensure that it is more user-friendly and comprehensive. This work will be undertaken in consultation with interested States Parties and will take account of the discussions at the Meetings of Experts on Cooperation and Assistance, with a Particular Focus on Strengthening Cooperation and Assistance under Article X in 2018, 2019 and 2021.

30. The ISU continues to maintain regular contact with relevant assistance providers in other settings. For example, the ISU continued to work closely with providers of assistance for related national legislation and enforcement measures such as the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA), the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism, the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), the World Customs Organization and the Committee established pursuant to United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004).

### VII. Sponsorship programme

31. The ISU administers the sponsorship programme established by the Seventh Review Conference to "support and increase the participation of developing States Parties in the meetings of the intersessional programme" (BWC/CONF.VII/7, part III, paragraph 21). In accordance with the decision of the Seventh Review Conference, the ISU allocates the available sponsorship resources in consultation with the Chairperson and Vice-chairs of the Meeting of States Parties, giving priority to those States Parties which had previously not participated in the meetings, or had been unable to regularly send experts from capital, and giving consideration to participation by States not party in order to promote universalization of the Convention.

32. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant postponement of the meetings in 2020, the sponsorship programme did not operate in 2020. As reported in the previous annual report, European Union Council Decision 2019/97 included substantial funds to support the sponsorship programme in 2019, 2020 and 2021. The 2020 funds will instead be used in 2021, and those allocated for 2021 will be used in 2022. In addition, other States Parties are supporting the sponsorship programme through bilateral arrangements.

33. Due to travel restrictions relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, only a limited sponsorship programme was operated for the Meetings of Experts in August and September 2021. National experts from five developing States Parties were sponsored to attend. The United States of America also sponsored a number of national experts bilaterally. The ISU hopes to be able to run a larger sponsorship programme for the Meeting of States Parties in November 2021.

### VIII. Voluntary contributions in support of the work of the ISU

34. The European Union (EU) continued its support to the Convention through Council Decision 2019/97/CFSP adopted on 21 January 2019.<sup>7</sup> As reported in the previous ISU annual report, the Decision involves a financial contribution to UNODA of EUR 3,029,856 over three years for activities in support of the Convention. Under the Decision, six main projects are being carried out, and three staff members are employed within UNODA's Geneva Branch to implement the Decision. The Council Decision was originally planned to expire in early 2022. However, the COVID-19 pandemic forced many activities to be postponed and rescheduled, and the EU therefore agreed to a no-cost extension so that the Decision will now expire in early 2023.

35. Furthermore, in 2020 and 2021 several States Parties have provided voluntary contributions through UNODA for specific activities in support of the implementation of the Convention:

(a) As previously reported (see sub-paragraph 7 (b) of BWC/MSP/2018/4), in 2018 Canada provided a two-year voluntary contribution of USD 665,000 to UNODA for the second phase of a project on strengthening global mechanisms and capacities for responding to deliberate use of biological agents. Activities under the first phase were reported in earlier annual reports (see paragraph 3 of BWC/MSP/2017/4 and sub-paragraph 7 (b) of BWC/MSP/2018/4), while initial activities under the second phase were reported in the previous annual report. The COVID-19 pandemic prevented any physical meetings in 2020 and 2021, but the funds were to organize several virtual events and to hire a consultant to implement the project. A portion of the contribution was also used for the sponsorship programme in 2019 and 2021, to support ISU travel and to hire an administrative assistant in 2020 to enhance the ability of the ISU to carry out its mandated tasks;

(b) As previously reported (see sub-paragraph 7 (b) of BWC/MSP/2019/4), in 2018 France provided a voluntary contribution of EUR 150,000 to UNODA to organize two tabletop exercises on Article VII. In 2021, the remaining funds from this completed project were used to conduct an analysis of lessons learned from assistance databases managed by relevant international organizations as well as to organize three online workshops on the topic of the Article VII Database. France also provided funds to support a Junior Professional Officer working alongside the staff members implementing European Union Council Decision 2019/97. In addition, in 2021 France provided an additional voluntary contribution of EUR 150,000 to UNODA to support the Sponsorship Programme for the Ninth Review Conference and its preceding Preparatory Committee. The funds will be used to support participation by nominees from Francophone States Parties, preferably from countries which have not previously attended meetings, or which have not been able to send experts from capitals on a regular basis.

As previously reported (see sub-paragraph 7 (d) of BWC/MSP/2018/4), in (c) 2018 Japan provided two voluntary contributions to UNODA for activities to be carried out in 2019 and 2020. The first contribution was for USD 80,000 for a training workshop for National Contact Points from South East Asia on domestic implementation aspects of the Convention. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it was not possible to organize this workshop as planned. However, the ISU and Japan co-organized an online training course for National Contact Points in South East Asia, and hope to be able to reschedule the training workshop when conditions permit. The second contribution was for USD 819,250 for improving the preparedness of the United Nations Secretariat and relevant international organizations to ensure a coordinated international response to the potential use of biological or chemical weapons. As reported in the previous annual report, during 2019 the ISU organized workshops in Bangkok, Thailand, in Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan and in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The final workshop, planned for Manila, Philippines, was scheduled for early 2020 and will take place when conditions allow. In addition, a total of three one-day seminars on assistance, response and preparedness issues were conducted in Geneva;

(d) Norway provided a voluntary contribution of NOK 3,300,000 to UNODA in 2021 for a three-year project focusing on reducing biological risks by promoting the peaceful

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> For more information on the Council Decision, see https://www.un.org/disarmament/biologicalweapons/eu-support-to-the-bwc

use of biology. The project will focus in particular on the implementation of Article X of the Convention and will therefore include sub-projects to, *inter alia*, build human capacities through South-South cooperation, support improvements to the Cooperation and Assistance Database and support events to encourage discussions around Article X in the context of the upcoming Ninth Review Conference;

(e) The Philippines provided a voluntary contribution of USD 10,000 to UNODA in 2021 to optimize the Cooperation and Assistance Database. The contribution will be allocated towards the recruitment of a consultant to support the ISU in its mandate to facilitate communication and match-making between States Parties that have raised offers or requests in the Database, as well as any potential technical upgrades that may be required to the current platform; and

(f) The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland provided a voluntary contribution of £126,161 to UNODA in 2021 for a project to strengthen the domestic implementation of the Convention in Member States of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM). The project will be carried between August 2021 and March 2022 and aims at supporting domestic implementation of the Convention in the Caribbean by facilitating the development and adoption of legislation in CARICOM Member States and considerably increasing their participation in the CBM process.

### IX. Conclusions and future work

36. During 2020 and 2021, the activities of the ISU were severely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Much of the ISU's work, particularly to support the implementation of the Convention, relies on physical participation in events and travel to States Parties, none of which has been possible since early 2020. However, the ISU has adapted its ways of working and conducted many activities online during 2020 and 2021, as reported above and as detailed in Annex I. While there are some downsides to virtual events, this shift has enabled the ISU to conduct more activities on a wider geographical basis and for a lower cost than had previously been the case.

37. The ISU has continued to record a significant increase in interest in and attention to the BWC at a national and regional level. This has been expressed in additional assistance requests, guidance regarding the submission of CBMs, interest from States not party in joining the Convention, an increased number of sponsorship applications, an increased number of national contact points and a rise in the number of events to which the ISU is invited. This reflects a welcome acknowledgement of the importance of the Convention within the multilateral disarmament framework. In 2022, the ISU will build upon this increased level of interest in the Convention and will seek synergies with relevant organizations and other entities to maintain the momentum.

38. Despite the resource limitations and challenges described above, the ISU has continued to make its best efforts to meet this increased demand and has been able to do so through cooperation with States Parties and relevant international organizations and other entities. The ISU will continue to seek efficiencies and innovations in its working methods in an effort to enhance implementation support and to reduce overall transaction costs. In 2022 the ISU will look to upgrade its platforms for communication with States Parties, in the framework of ongoing efforts being made by UNODA and UNOG.

39. The ISU would therefore like to record its appreciation for the cooperation and support of States Parties in the course of the implementation of its mandate during 2020 and 2021, particularly given the challenges posed by the pandemic.

### Annex I

[English only]

# Meetings and events attended by the Implementation Support Unit in 2020 and 2021

Representatives of the Implementation Support Unit participated in the following meetings and events in 2020:

- 1. On 9 January, in Geneva (Switzerland), a staff member of the ISU gave a presentation on the BWC to a group of students from the University of Fribourg (Alex Lampalzer)
- 2. From 13-15 January, in Steyning (United Kingdom), a staff member of the ISU participated in the Wilton Park conference on UNSCR 1540 Planning for 2021 and beyond (Alex Lampalzer)
- 3. From 13-16 January, in New Delhi (India), the Chief of the ISU participated in the Raisina Dialogue (Daniel Feakes)
- 4. On 16 January, in New Delhi (India), the Chief of the ISU gave a presentation to the Second Annual Disarmament and International Security Affairs Fellowship (Daniel Feakes)
- 5. On 16 January, in New Delhi (India), the Chief of the ISU gave a presentation at the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (Daniel Feakes)
- 6. On 13 February, in Munich, (Germany), the Chief of the ISU observed a Tabletop Exercise on High Consequence Biological Threats, organized by the Nuclear Threat Initiative (Daniel Feakes)
- On 13 May, the ISU organized a webinar on "The COVID-19 pandemic: Preliminary lessons for assistance, response and preparedness under the BWC" (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Mehran Rouzbahani)
- 8. On 19 May, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation on COVID-19 and the BWC, hosted by the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses in New Delhi (Daniel Feakes)
- 9. On 20 May, a staff member of the ISU participated in a virtual meeting of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact Working Group on Emerging Threats and Critical Infrastructure Protection (Alex Lampalzer)
- On 28 May, a staff member of the ISU participated in a virtual Spotlight Webinar on "Coronavirus and Biosecurity", organized by the Center for the Study of Weapons of Mass Destruction (Alex Lampalzer)
- 11. On 2 July, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation on "Are we fully prepared for the next biological event?" organized by the City, Security and Resilience Network (Daniel Feakes)
- 12. On 2 July, a staff member of the ISU participated in a webinar on "COVID-19 and future pandemics: the spectre of bioterrorism. Understanding the threat of deliberate transmission of COVID-19 and deliberate release of viruses", organized by the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (Alex Lampalzer)
- 13. On 6 July, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation on "Responding to the Threat of Bio and Cyber Terrorism", during the Virtual Counter-Terrorism Week organized by the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (Daniel Feakes)
- 14. On 15 July, a staff member of the ISU participated in an online international expert group meeting on "The Impact of COVID-19 on the Security of Major Sporting Events", organized by the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (Alex Lampalzer)
- 15. On 28 July, a staff member of the ISU participated in a virtual meeting of the Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction (Alex Lampalzer)

- 16. From 18 to 20 August, the Chief of the ISU gave a presentation to the virtual "Disarmament in Geneva: 2020 Orientation Course", co-organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs and the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (Daniel Feakes)
- 17. From 20 to 21 August, the Chief of the ISU participated in the "2020 Innovations Dialogue: Life Sciences, International Security and Disarmament", organized by the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (Daniel Feakes)
- 18. From 22 September to 1 October, the ISU organized an online training course for NCPs in South East Asia (Daniel Feakes, Ngoc Phuong van der Blij, Mehran Rouzbahani)
- 19. On 29 September, the Chief of the ISU gave a presentation during a webinar on "The International Legal Framework against Biological Terrorism", organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (Daniel Feakes)
- 20. On 30 September, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation during the "Training Programme on Disarmament and Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction", organized by the TMC Asser Institute (Daniel Feakes)
- On 14 October, UNODA in coordination with the ISU organized an online launch event for Nigeria's National Preparedness Programme under EU Council Decision 2019/97 in support of the BWC (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes)
- 22. On 15 October, UNODA in coordination with the ISU organized an online training course for Nigeria on the preparation and submission of BWC Confidence-Building Measures under EU Council Decision 2019/97 in support of the BWC (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 23. From 22 to 23 October, the Chief of the ISU participated in a virtual workshop on "Reducing Global Catastrophic Biological Risks", organized by the Nuclear Threat Initiative (Daniel Feakes)
- 24. On 28 October, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation to the "Leadership in International Security Course", organized by the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (Daniel Feakes)
- 25. On 29 October, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Review of Developments in the Field of Science and Technology Related to the BWC" (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 26. On 4 November, a staff member of the ISU participated in a virtual meeting of the Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction (Alex Lampalzer)
- 27. On 5 November, the Chief of the ISU participated in a virtual "BWC Engagement Workshop", organized by the U.S. Department of State (Daniel Feakes)
- 28. From 9 to 13 November, a staff member of the ISU observed a virtual UN Secretary-General's Mechanism training course: "Capstone Exercise Table Top Exercise on pre-mission planning", co-organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, the German Federal Foreign Office and the Robert Koch Institute (Alex Lampalzer)
- 29. On 10 November, a staff member of UNODA gave a presentation to a virtual meeting of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact Working Group on Emerging Threats and Critical Infrastructure Protection (Melanie Gerber)
- 30. On 12 November, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Assistance, Response and Preparedness" (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 31. On 16 November, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Strengthening National Implementation" (Daniel Feakes, Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- 32. On 18 November, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Institutional Strengthening of the Convention" (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)

- 33. On 24 November, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Cooperation and Assistance, with a Particular Focus on Strengthening Cooperation and Assistance under Article X" (Daniel Feakes, Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- 34. On 26 November, a staff member of the ISU participated in PGA Role of Women Parliamentarians and WMD (Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- 35. On 30 November, the Chief of the ISU participated in the BWC Orientation Workshop, organized by the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (Daniel Feakes)
- 36. On 3 December, the Chief of the ISU participated in the virtual 19<sup>th</sup> Republic of Korea-United Nations Joint Conference on Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Issues on New Technologies and its Impact on Disarmament and Non-proliferation Regime (Daniel Feakes)
- On 9 December, the ISU co-organized a virtual workshop on "Exploring science and technology reviews under the BWC" with the Federal Foreign Office of Germany (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 38. On 15 December, a staff member of UNODA delivered a virtual presentation to the Sub-Regional Webinar Series to Support the Regional Implementation of UNSCR 1540 (2004) in South Asia, organized by the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Development in Asia and the Pacific (Remi Bacouillard)
- On 18 December, the Chief of the ISU participated in a virtual session of the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Global Technology Summit organized by the Ministry of External Affairs of India and Carnegie India (Daniel Feakes)

As of 24 September 2021, representatives of the Implementation Support Unit participated, or are scheduled to participate, in the following meetings and events in 2021:

- 1. On 21 January and once a month throughout 2021, ISU and UNODA staff members participated in the virtual meetings of the Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA) Action Package Prevent 3 (APP3) Working Group
- On 9 February, the Chief of the ISU participated in the "Virtual Global Biosecurity Dialogue: Overcoming Challenges, Assessing Progress, and Setting Trajectories", organized by the Nuclear Threat Initiative (Daniel Feakes)
- 3. On 22 and 29 January, 5, 11 and 19 February, and 12 March, staff members of UNODA and the ISU organized the virtual second edition of the "Biosecurity Diplomacy Workshop for Young Scientists from the Global South" in the framework of European Union Council Decision 2019/97 (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 4. From 23 to 25 February, staff members of the ISU participated in the Second Informal Workshop on "Good Practices and Lessons Learned with respect to the implementation of Treaties establishing Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones", organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- On 23 February, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation to the "Introductory Course on the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction", organized by the Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (Daniel Feakes)
- 6. On 2 March, the Chief of the ISU gave a presentation to a virtual meeting of the Biosecurity Working Group of the InterAcademy Partnership (Daniel Feakes)
- 7. On 4 March, UNODA staff members organized a virtual "Regional Workshop on Achieving the Universalization of the BWC in Africa" co-organized with the Permanent Mission of Kenya in Geneva (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard)
- 8. On 10 March, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation at the Spring 2021 Workshop of the Emerging Leaders in Biosecurity Fellowship, organized by the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security (Daniel Feakes)

- On 11 March, the Chief of the ISU participated in a WHO Consultative Meeting on the development of a Global Framework Guidance to harness the responsible use of life sciences (Daniel Feakes)
- 10. On 17 March, the Chief of the ISU observed the virtual "Tabletop exercise on reducing high-consequence biological threats" organized by the Nuclear Threat Initiative (Daniel Feakes)
- 11. On 18 and 25 March, the Chief of the ISU gave a presentation at the first virtual workshop on the modalities of a scientific advisory process for the Biological Weapons Convention organized by the Federation of American Scientists (Daniel Feakes)
- 12. On 24 March, staff members of the ISU and UNODA participated in a virtual meeting of the Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction Working Group (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard)
- 13. On 1 April, staff members of the ISU organized an online training workshop for Kenyan authorities on the preparation and submission of CBMs under the BWC in collaboration with the National Commission for Science, Technology and Innovation (NACOSTI) of Kenya (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 14. On 4 April, the Chief of the ISU gave a virtual presentation about the BWC to an online course, organized by the NATO School Oberammergau (Daniel Feakes)
- 15. On 8 April and 26 May, staff members of the ISU participated in the "First Workshop of Experts to inform the development of the Tianjin Biosecurity Guidelines for Codes of Conduct for Scientists", co-organized by the John Hopkins Center for Health Security, Tianjin University and the InterAcademy Partnership (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 16. On 12 and 13 April, the Chief of the ISU gave a presentation to a virtual event on "Young Women in Non-Proliferation and Disarmament - Mentorship Programme", organized by the Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (Daniel Feakes)
- 17. On 14 April, staff members of the ISU, UNODA and a project consultant participated in a virtual intersessional meeting of the Global Partnership Biological Security Working Group (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Fanny Tonos Paniagua)
- 18. On 20 and 21 April, a staff member of the ISU gave a virtual presentation to the German National Dialogue Forum on the BWC (Alex Lampalzer)
- On 28 April, the Chief of the ISU observed the "Second Annual Meeting of the Technical Consortium to Develop an International Common Mechanism for DNA Synthesis Screening", organized by the Nuclear Threat Initiative (Daniel Feakes)
- 20. On 4 and 12 May and 2 June, staff members of the ISU and a project consultant organized a series of three international online workshops on the establishment of a database to facilitate assistance under the framework of Article VII (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Fanny Tonos Paniagua)
- 21. On 7 May, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Strengthening National Implementation" (Daniel Feakes, Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- 22. On 11 May, staff members of the ISU presented and participated in an online seminar on "The Biological Weapons Convention: Issues and Challenges", organized by the Regional Arms Control Verification and Implementation Assistance Centre (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 23. On 17 May and 7 June, the Chief of the ISU presented at a virtual Ad Hoc Seminar of the EU Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Consortium "Considering potential lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic to strengthen the BWC" (Daniel Feakes)
- 24. On 9 June, staff members of the ISU and UNODA participated in the "2021 Disarmament Orientation Course" organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs and the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (Daniel Feakes, Rémi Bacouillard)

- 25. On 16 June, staff members of the ISU and UNODA participated in a virtual intersessional meeting of the Global Partnership Biological Security Working Group (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard)
- On 22 June, UNODA in coordination with the ISU organized a virtual launch event for Sri Lanka's National Preparedness Programme under EU Council Decision 2019/97 in support of the BWC (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes)
- 27. On 23 June, UNODA in coordination with the ISU organized an online training for Sri Lanka on the preparation and submission of BWC Confidence-Building Measures under EU Council Decision 2019/97 in support of the BWC (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- On 22 June, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Cooperation and Assistance, with a Particular Focus on Strengthening Cooperation and Assistance under Article X" (Daniel Feakes, Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- 29. On 23 June, staff members of the ISU, UNODA and a project consultant participated in a meeting of the Global Partnership (Daniel Feakes, Fanny Tonos Paniagua, Remi Bacouillard)
- On 24 June, staff members of the ISU gave virtual presentations during the "Third International Conference on Global Biosecurity Challenges: Problems and Solutions" (Daniel Feakes and Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- On 25 June, the Chief of the ISU participated in the Second UN Counter Terrorism Week

   Launch of the Report on Science, Technology and Innovation: Understanding Advancements from the Perspective of Countering WMD Terrorism (Daniel Feakes)
- 32. On 29 June, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Review of Developments in the Field of Science and Technology Related to BWC" (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 33. On 30 June and 7 July, staff members of the ISU participated in the second virtual workshop on the modalities of a Scientific Advisory Board for the BWC, organized by the Federation of American Scientists (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 34. On 30 June, the ISU and the International Gender Champions Disarmament Impact Group co-organized an interactive discussion on "Advancing Gender Perspectives in the BWC" (Daniel Feakes, Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- 35. On 30 June, staff members of the ISU and UNODA participated in a virtual meeting of the Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction Working Group (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard)
- 36. On 2 July, a staff member of the ISU and a project consultant presented at a virtual workshop on the Security Council resolution 1540 National Action Plan for the Kyrgyz Republic (Alex Lampalzer, Fanny Tonos Paniagua)
- 37. On 8 July, staff members of the ISU and UNODA participated in a UN Global Compact ETCIP Working Group Meeting (Alex Lampalzer, Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard)
- 38. On 14 July, the ISU organized an informal webinar on "Institutional Strengthening of the Convention" (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- On 12 August, UNODA in coordination with the ISU organized a joint event with the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security on youth involvement in biosecurity (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes)
- 40. On 17 August, UNODA in coordination with the ISU organized the virtual launch event of Sudan's National Preparedness Programme under EU Council Decision 2019/97 in support of the BWC (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes)
- 41. On 18 August, UNODA in coordination with the ISU organized an online training course for Sudan on the preparation and submission of BWC Confidence-Building Measures under EU Council Decision 2019/97 in support of the BWC (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)

- 42. On 23 August, staff members of the ISU organized a virtual national workshop on the preparation and submission of Confidence-Building Measures under the BWC for Mali (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer)
- 43. On 24 August, the Chief of the ISU presented about the BWC during a virtual event organized by the Chicago Council on Global Affairs (Daniel Feakes)
- 44. On 26 August, staff members of the ISU organized an online briefing on the 2020 Meetings of Experts for civil society organizations (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Ngoc Phuong van der Blij)
- 45. On 26 August, UNODA in coordination with the ISU, organized an online briefing on the 2020 Meetings of Experts for to the 2021 cohort of the "Biosecurity Diplomacy Workshop for Young Scientists from the Global South" (Melanie Gerber, Remi Bacouillard, Daniel Feakes)
- 46. On 2 September, UNODA organized a side event in the margins of MX2 on "Promoting youth contributions to responsible innovation under the BWC" together with the International Federation of Biosafety Associations, the International Genetically Engineered Machine Foundation, the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security and the Nuclear Threat Initiative
- 47. From 13 to 15 September, the Chief of the ISU participated in the virtual Spiez Convergence workshop (Daniel Feakes)
- 48. On 16 September, staff members of the ISU and a project consultant organized an online briefing session on the "BWC Assistance Project for the Caribbean Region to enhance the implementation of the BWC" (Alex Lampalzer, Fanny Tonos Paniagua)
- 49. On 22 September, the Chief of the ISU presented at a virtual intersessional meeting of the Global Partnership Biological Security Working Group (Daniel Feakes)
- 50. On 27 September, the ISU in collaboration with the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit and the Bundeswehr Institute of Microbiology will coorganize an online workshop to strengthen the implementation of the BWC in the G5 Sahel Member States (Daniel Feakes, Alex Lampalzer, Fanny Tonos Paniagua)
- 51. From 18 to 22 October, staff members from UNODA will deliver a presentation during a virtual national training course for China Customs on Strategic Trade Control Enforcement organized by the World Customs Organization (Remi Bacouillard)
- 52. From 27 to 29 October, staff members of the ISU will deliver a virtual presentation at the Seventh African Conference on One Health and Biosecurity, Lagos, Nigeria
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## Annex II

[English only]

## **National Points of Contact**

The following States have nominated a national point of contact to the ISU by 27 September 2021.

Full contact details, including telephone numbers and e-mail addresses, are available to States Parties in the restricted area of the BWC website (https://unitednations.sharepoint.com/sites/BWC-NCP).

### I. States Parties

- 1. Afghanistan
- 2. Albania
- 3. Algeria
- 4. Antigua and Barbuda
- 5. Argentina
- 6. Armenia
- 7. Australia
- 8. Austria
- 9. Azerbaijan
- 10. Bahrain
- 11. Belarus
- 12. Belgium
- 13. Bhutan
- 14. Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 15. Botswana
- 16. Brazil
- 17. Bulgaria
- 18. Burkina Faso
- 19. Burundi
- 20. Cambodia
- 21. Cameroon
- 22. Canada
- 23. Chile
- 24. China
- 25. Colombia
- 26. Costa Rica
- 27. Côte d'Ivoire
- 28. Croatia
- 29. Cuba

- 30. Cyprus
   31. Czech Republic
   32. Democratic Republic of Congo
- 33. Denmark
- 34. Ecuador
- 35. Estonia
- 36. Ethiopia
- 37. Fiji
- 38. Finland
- 39. France
- 40. Georgia
- 41. Germany
- 42. Ghana
- 43. Greece
- 44. Guatemala
- 45. Guinea
- 46. Holy See
- 47. Hungary
- 48. Iceland
- 49. India
- 50. Indonesia
- 51. Iran (Islamic Republic of)
- 52. Iraq
- 53. Ireland
- 54. Italy
- 55. Japan
- 56. Jordan
- 57. Kazakhstan
- 58. Kenya
- 59. Kuwait
- 60. Kyrgyzstan
- 61. Lao People's Democratic Republic
- 62. Latvia
- 63. Lebanon
- 64. Liberia
- 65. Libya
- 66. Liechtenstein
- 67. Lithuania
- 68. Luxembourg
- 69. Madagascar

- 70. Malawi
- 71. Malaysia
- 72. Maldives
- 73. Mali
- 74. Malta
- 75. Mauritius
- 76. Mexico
- 77. Montenegro
- 78. Morocco
- 79. Mozambique
- 80. Myanmar
- 81. Nepal
- 82. Netherlands
- 83. New Zealand
- 84. Niger
- 85. Nigeria
- 86. North Macedonia
- 87. Norway
- 88. Oman
- 89. Pakistan
- 90. Palau
- 91. Peru
- 92. Philippines
- 93. Poland
- 94. Portugal
- 95. Qatar
- 96. Republic of Korea
- 97. Republic of Moldova
- 98. Romania
- 99. Russian Federation
- 100. Saint Kitts and Nevis
- 101. Samoa
- 102. Saudi Arabia
- 103. Senegal
- 104. Serbia
- 105. Slovakia
- 106. Slovenia
- 107. South Africa
- 108. Spain
- 109. Sri Lanka

- 110. State of Palestine
- 111. Sudan
- 112. Suriname
- 113. Sweden
- 114. Switzerland
- 115. Tajikistan
- 116. Thailand
- 117. Trinidad and Tobago
- 118. Turkey
- 119. Uganda
- 120. Ukraine
- 121. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 122. United Republic of Tanzania
- 123. United States of America
- 124. Uruguay
- 125. Uzbekistan
- 126. Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
- 127. Viet Nam
- 128. Yemen
- 129. Zambia

### **II.** Signatories

1. Haiti

### III. States not party

- 1. Israel
- 2. Micronesia (Federated States of)
- 3. Namibia

### **IV.** Regional organizations

1. European Union

## Annex III

# **Report on participation in the Confidence-Building Measures**

## Summary of participation in 2020

Key: D = declaration submitted; ND = nothing to declare; NN = nothing new to declare.

State Party	A1	A2(i)	A2(ii)	A2(iii)	В	С	E	F	G
Algeria	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	NN	NN	NN	NN
Argentina	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D	NN	ND	D
Armenia	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	ND	ND
Australia	NN	NN	D	D	NN	D	D	NN	D
Austria	D	NN	NN	D	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Belarus	D	NN	NN	ND	D	D	D	ND	D
Belgium	ND	D	D	D	ND	D	D	ND	D
Bhutan	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Bosnia and Herzegovina	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Brazil	D	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	D
Brunei Darussalam	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	D	D	D	D
Bulgaria	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN
Canada	D	NN	D	D	D	D	NN	NN	D
Chile	D	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	NN	ND	NN
China	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	D
Colombia	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	NN	ND	ND
Croatia	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Cuba	D	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	NN	NN	D
Cyprus	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN
Czech Republic	NN	NN	NN	ND	D	D	NN	NN	NN
Denmark	NN	NN	NN	D	ND	ND	D	NN	NN
Ecuador	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
El Salvador	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Estonia	D	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	NN	ND	ND
Finland	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	ND	ND

State Party	A1	A2(i)	A2(ii)	A2(iii)	В	С	Ε	F	G
France	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Georgia	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	D	ND
Germany	D	D	D	D	NN	D	NN	NN	D
Greece	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN
Hungary	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	D	NN	ND	D
India	NN	NN	D	D	D	NN	D	NN	NN
Iraq	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN
Ireland	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND	NN
Italy	D	D	D	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D
Japan	NN	NN	D	D	ND	D	D	NN	D
Jordan	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Kazakhstan	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Kenya	D	D	ND	ND	NN	ND	NN	ND	NN
Kyrgyzstan	D	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	D	ND	ND
Latvia	NN	NN	ND	NN	ND	ND	NN	NN	ND
Libya	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	ND	ND	ND
Liechtenstein	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN	ND	ND
Lithuania	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	NN
Luxembourg	NN	ND	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN	ND	ND
Malaysia	ND	NN	ND	ND	D	D	D	ND	NN
Maldives	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Malta	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	NN	NN	NN	NN
Mexico	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D	NN	ND	NN
Montenegro	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Morocco	NN	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	NN	ND	D
Myanmar	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Netherlands	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	D
New Zealand	D	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	NN	NN	ND
Nicaragua	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Nigeria	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	ND	ND	NN
Norway	ND	NN	NN	NN	ND	NN	NN	NN	NN
Oman	D	D	D	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Pakistan	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	NN

State Party	Al	A2(i)	A2(ii)	A2(iii)	В	С	Ε	F	G
Peru	D	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	D	D	D
Philippines	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D	D	ND	D
Poland	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	D	D	D	NN
Portugal	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN
Qatar	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	ND	ND	ND
Republic of Korea	NN	D	D	D	ND	D	D	ND	D
Republic of Moldova	NN	NN	NN	D	D	ND	ND	NN	ND
Romania	D	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	D	ND	D
Russian Federation	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	NN	D
Saudi Arabia	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN
Serbia	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Seychelles	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Singapore	ND	NN	NN	D	D	NN	NN	NN	D
Slovakia	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	NN	ND	ND
Slovenia	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
South Africa	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	NN	ND
Spain	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	ND	ND
Suriname	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Sweden	D	D	D	D	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN
Switzerland	D	NN	D	D	D	NN	D	NN	D
Thailand	NN	ND	ND	ND	NN	NN	D	ND	D
Turkey	D	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	NN	D
Ukraine	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D	D	ND	NN
United Arab Emirates	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	D
United States of America	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	D
Uzbekistan	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

# **Provisional summary of participation in 2021**

Key: D = declaration submitted; ND = nothing to declare; NN = nothing new to declare.

State Party	A1	A2(i)	A2(ii)	A2(iii)	В	С	Ε	F	G
Afghanistan	D	D	D	D	D	ND	D	ND	D
Algeria	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	NN	D	NN	NN
Argentina	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D	NN	ND	D
Armenia	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	ND	ND
Australia	NN	NN	D	D	NN	D	D	NN	D
Austria	D	NN	NN	D	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Azerbaijan	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Belarus	D	NN	NN	ND	D	D	D	ND	D
Belgium	ND	D	D	D	D	D	NN	ND	D
Bhutan	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Brazil	D	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	D
Bulgaria	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN
Canada	D	NN	D	D	D	D	NN	NN	D
Chile	NN	ND	ND	ND	D	D	D	ND	D
China	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	D
Colombia	NN	ND	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN	ND	NN
Croatia	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Cuba	D	NN	NN	NN	D	D	D	NN	D
Cyprus	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN
Czech Republic	NN	NN	NN	ND	D	D	NN	NN	NN
Denmark	NN	NN	NN	D	ND	ND	D	NN	NN
Ecuador	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
El Salvador	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Estonia	D	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	NN	ND	ND
Finland	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	ND	ND
France	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	ND	D
Georgia	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	D	ND
Germany	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	NN	D
Greece	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN
Guatemala	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	ND

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State Party	A1	A2(i)	A2(ii)	A2(iii)	B	C	E	F	G
Hungary	D	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	NN	ND	NN
India	NN	NN	D	D	D	NN	D	D	D
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	D	D	D	D	D	NN	NN	NN	D
Iraq	D	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	NN	ND	NN
Ireland	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND	NN
Italy	D	D	D	D	NN	NN	NN	D	D
Japan	NN	NN	D	D	ND	D	D	NN	NN
Jordan	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Kazakhstan	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Kenya	D	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	D	ND	D
Kyrgyzstan	D	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	D	NG	NG
Latvia	NN	NN	ND	NN	ND	ND	NN	NN	ND
Libya	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	ND	ND	ND
Liechtenstein	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	NN	NN	ND	ND
Lithuania	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	NN
Luxembourg	D	ND	ND	ND	D	NN	NN	NN	NN
Malaysia	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	D	NN	ND	NN
Maldives	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Malta	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Mauritius	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Mexico	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D	D	ND	D
Mongolia	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	D	D	ND	D
Montenegro	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Morocco	NN	ND	ND	ND	D	D	NN	ND	D
Mozambique	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Netherlands	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	NN	D
Nicaragua	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Nigeria	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND	ND	D
Norway	ND	NN	NN	NN	ND	NN	NN	NN	NN
Oman	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Peru	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
Philippines	D	ND	ND	ND	D	D	D	ND	D

State Party	A1	A2(i)	A2(ii)	A2(iii)	В	С	Ε	F	G
Poland	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN
Portugal	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN
Qatar	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	NN	ND	ND
Republic of Korea	NN	D	D	D	ND	D	D	ND	D
Republic of Moldova	NN	NN	NN	NN	D	ND	ND	NN	ND
Russian Federation	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	NN	D
Saudi Arabia	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN
Senegal	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Serbia	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Singapore	ND	NN	NN	D	D	NN	NN	NN	NN
Slovakia	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	D	NN	ND	ND
Slovenia	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NN	ND	ND
South Africa	D	D	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	NN	ND
Spain	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	ND	ND
Suriname	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Sweden	D	D	D	D	ND	ND	NN	NN	NN
Switzerland	D	NN	D	D	D	NN	D	NN	D
Tajikistan	D	ND	ND	ND	D	ND	D	ND	ND
Thailand	NN	ND	D	ND	D	NN	D	ND	NN
Turkey	D	D	D	D	ND	D	D	NN	D
Ukraine	D	D	ND	D	D	D	D	ND	NN
United Arab Emirates	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	D
United States of America	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	NN	D
Uzbekistan	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

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