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## Annotated provisional agenda

## Provisional agenda

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#### **Annotations**

## 1. Opening of the session

The representative of the Secretary-General will open the thirty-ninth session of the Committee.

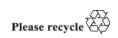
#### 2. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with rule 5 of the Committee's rules of procedure, the present annotated provisional agenda has been prepared by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Chair of the Committee.

In accordance with rule 6 of the rules of procedure, the adoption of the agenda will be the first item on the provisional agenda of any session, except where the election of officers is required pursuant to rule 13. In accordance with rule 7, the Committee may revise the agenda during a session and may, as appropriate, defer or delete items.

#### 3. Organizational matters

The thirty-ninth session of the Committee will be held at Palais Wilson, from 2 to 13 December 2024. The first meeting of the session will be convened on Monday, 2 December, at 10 a.m.





The Committee will consider its programme of work and issues relevant to its business, including the dates of its future sessions. The programme of work will be made available on the web page of the Committee.<sup>1</sup>

#### 4. Submission of reports by States parties

During their thirty-fourth meeting, the Chairs of the treaty bodies decided that the simplified reporting procedure would become the default procedure for all Committees, with the possibility for States parties to opt out; at their thirty-fifth meeting, the Chairs reaffirmed the decision, with a clarification that the simplified procedure applied to both initial and periodic reports. In accordance with those decisions, and based on its available human resources, the Committee will adopt lists of issues prior to reporting for the States that have not opted out.

As at 23 September 2024, the initial reports of the following States parties were due but had not been received by the Committee for consideration:

State party Initial date due		Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting	
Chad <sup>a</sup>	1 June 2023		
$\mathrm{Fiji}^a$	1 December 2020		
$Gambia^b$	1 January 2020 19 August 2024		
Guinea-Bissau <sup>a</sup>	1 February 2020		
Malawi <sup>a</sup>	1 January 2024		
$Togo^a$	1 April 2022		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.

The Committee received the second periodic report of Peru (CMW/C/PER/2) on 1 July 2024. The second periodic reports of the following States parties were due but had not yet been received as at 23 September 2024:

State party	Initial date due	Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting
Bangladesh <sup>a</sup>	1 May 2022	
Guinea <sup>b</sup>	9 September 2020	
Guyana <sup>b</sup>	1 May 2023	
Indonesia <sup>c</sup>	1 October 2022	
Lesotho <sup>b</sup>	1 May 2021	
Libya <sup>b</sup>	1 May 2024	
Madagascar <sup>b</sup>	1 October 2023	
$Mozambique^b$	1 October 2023	
Nicaragua <sup>b</sup>	1 October 2021	
$Niger^d$	1 October 2021	29 December 2023
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<sup>1</sup> See

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> The list of issues prior to reporting (CMW/C/GMB/QPR/1) was adopted by the Committee at its thirty-seventh session.

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State party	Initial date due	Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting
Timor-Leste <sup>c</sup>	9 September 2020	
$Uganda^b$	24 April 2020	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> On 28 March 2023, the State party opted out of the simplified reporting procedure, and will submit its report under the traditional procedure.

The Committee received the third periodic report of Tajikistan on 6 May 2024. The third periodic reports of the following States parties were due but had not yet been received as at 23 September 2024:

State party	Initial date due	Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting
Albania <sup>a</sup>	1 May 2024	
Algeria <sup>b</sup>	1 May 2023	
Guatemala <sup>a</sup>	1 May 2024	
$\mathbf{Mali}^c$	1 May 2019	
Sri Lanka <sup>d</sup>	1 October 2021	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.

The Committee received the fourth periodic report of Mexico on 13 September 2024. The fourth periodic report of the following State party was due but had not yet been received as at 23 September 2024:

State party	Initial date due	Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting
Ecuador <sup>a</sup>	1 October 2022	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.

The following States parties were reviewed in the absence of a report and were each requested to submit combined initial and periodic reports:

State party	Due date of initial report	Due date of combined initial and periodic reports	Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting
Belize <sup>a</sup>	1 July 2004	5 September 2016	1 November 2020
Jamaica <sup>b</sup>	1 January 2010	1 May 2019	1 March 2022
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines <sup>c</sup>	1 February 2012	1 May 2019	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> At its thirty-ninth session, the Committee will have before it for adoption the list of issues prior to reporting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> The list of issues prior to reporting (CMW/C/NER/QPR/2) was adopted by the Committee at its thirty-sixth session.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> On 31 March 2023, the State party opted out of the simplified reporting procedure, and will submit its report under the traditional procedure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> At its thirty-ninth session, the Committee will have before it for adoption the list of issues prior to reporting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> On 16 May 2023, the State party opted out of the simplified reporting procedure, and will submit its report under the traditional procedure.

- <sup>a</sup> The State party was reviewed in the absence of a report at the twenty-first session of the Committee. At the same session, Belize was requested to submit its combined initial to third periodic reports. A list of issues prior to reporting (CMW/C/BLZ/QPR/1-3) was adopted by the Committee at its thirty-first session.
- <sup>b</sup> The State party was reviewed in the absence of a report at the twenty-sixth session of the Committee. At the same session, Jamaica was requested to submit its combined initial and second periodic reports. Owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, the list of issues prior to reporting for Jamaica (CMW/C/JAM/QPR/1-2) was adopted by the Committee intersessionally, on 5 February 2021.
- <sup>c</sup> The State party was reviewed by the Committee in the absence of a report at its twenty-eighth session. At the same session, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines was requested to submit its combined initial and second periodic reports. A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.

# 5. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 73 of the Convention

At its thirty-ninth session, the Committee will consider the initial report of Benin (CMW/C/BEN/1), the combined second to fourth periodic reports of Egypt (CMW/C/EGY/2-4), the second periodic report of Peru (CMW/C/PER/2) and the second periodic report of Seychelles. It will adopt concluding observations on the reports.

The Secretary-General has informed the States parties concerned of the dates on which their reports are scheduled for consideration by the Committee, in accordance with its provisional programme of work.

At its fourteenth session, the Committee established a simplified reporting procedure, which consists in the preparation and adoption of a list of issues and the transmittal thereof to the State party concerned prior to the submission of its report. The replies of the State party to the list of issues constitute its report under article 73 (1) of the Convention. In order to support an increased use of the simplified reporting procedure by States parties, the Committee decided, at its thirty-fourth session, that the procedure would be implemented on an opt-out basis, rather than an opt-in basis, whereby the simplified reporting procedure under rule 33 (2) of its rules of procedure is henceforth the default procedure and the traditional reporting procedure the exception. The Committee will therefore adopt a list of issues prior to reporting for any State party to the Convention that has not explicitly requested use of the traditional reporting procedure, after States parties have been duly informed of the decision taken by the Committee. At its thirty-ninth session, the Committee will adopt lists of issues prior to reporting in respect of Indonesia, Mali and Timor-Leste, and a list of issues in relation to the second periodic report of Mauritania.

### 6. Methods of work of the Committee

On 8 December 2023, during its thirty-seventh session, and pursuant to General Assembly resolution 68/268 on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system, the Committee adopted its revised guidelines on the harmonization of its working methods.

The Committee recalls the conclusions adopted at the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Chairs of the treaty bodies that were aimed at: ensuring a harmonized approach to the State party reporting procedure in line with paragraphs 1 and 2 of General Assembly resolution 68/268; ensuring the consistent implementation by all Committees with a periodic reporting procedure of the decisions taken by the Chairs of the treaty bodies at their thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth annual meetings to introduce the simplified reporting procedure as the default procedure for initial and periodic reports with the possibility for States parties to opt out; saving resources under the traditional reporting procedure; and guaranteeing that the information and data contained in State party reports are still up to date (A/79/292, para. 59).

The Committee notes in that regard that, subject to the availability of resources and in view of the discrepancies in the time required for the preparation and adoption of lists of issues prior to reporting by the respective Committees, the Chairs reiterated the conclusions of their

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thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth meetings and reaffirmed that the simplified reporting procedure would become the default procedure for all Committees with a periodic reporting cycle and for both initial and periodic reports, with the possibility for States parties to opt out.

## 7. Promotion of the Convention

The Committee will discuss its involvement in and support for various events and initiatives in promotion of the Convention, including meetings with stakeholders, days of general discussion and the preparation of general comments.

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