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Annotations

1. Opening of the session

The representative of the Secretary-General will open the forty-first 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 forty-first session of the Committee will be held at Palais Wilson, from 1 to 11 December 2025. The first meeting of the session will be convened on Monday, 1 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.¹

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 Parties that have not opted out.

The Committee received the initial report of Chad on 1 April 2025 and the initial report of Côte d'Ivoire on 27 June 2025. As at 22 September 2025, the initial reports of the following States Parties were due but had not been received by the Committee for consideration:

		Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to	
State Party	Initial date due	reporting	
Gambia ^a	1 January 2020	19 August 2024	
Guinea-Bissau ^b	1 February 2020		
$Malawi^b$	1 January 2024	1 January 2024	
$Togo^b$	1 April 2022		

^a The list of issues prior to reporting (CMW/C/GMB/QPR/1) was adopted by the Committee at its thirty-seventh session.

The Committee received the second periodic report of Lesotho on 19 February 2025 and the second periodic report of Indonesia on 31 July 2025. The second periodic reports of the following States Parties were due but had not yet been received as at 22 September 2025:

State Party	Initial date due	Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting
Bangladesh ^a	1 May 2022	
$Ghana^b$	5 September 2019	3 March 2025
Guyana ^c	1 May 2023	
Libya ^c	1 May 2024	
Madagascar ^c	1 October 2023	
Mozambique ^c	1 October 2023	
Nicaragua ^c	1 October 2021	
Timor-Leste ^d	9 September 2020	31 July 2025
Uganda ^e	24 April 2020	

¹ See https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/15/TreatyBodyExternal/SessionsList.aspx?Lang=en.

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^b A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.

- ^a On 28 March 2023, the State Party opted out of the simplified reporting procedure, and will submit its report under the traditional procedure.
- ^b The list of issues prior to reporting (CMW/C/GHA/QPR/2) was adopted by the Committee at its thirty-eighth session.
 - ^c A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.
- ^d The list of issues prior to reporting (CMW/C/TLS/QPR/2) was adopted by the Committee at its thirty-ninth session.
- ^e At its forty-first session, the Committee will have before it for adoption the list of issues prior to reporting.

The third periodic reports of the following States Parties were due but had not yet been received as at 22 September 2025:

State Party	Initial date due	Deadline for submission of the replies to the list of issues prior to reporting
Albania ^a	1 May 2024	
Algeria ^b	1 May 2023	
Argentina ^c	1 October 2024	
Guatemala ^c	1 May 2024	
\mathbf{Mali}^d	1 May 2019	31 July 2025
Sri Lanka ^e	1 October 2021	

^a At its forty-first session, the Committee will have before it for adoption the list of issues prior to reporting.

The Committee received the fourth periodic report of Bosnia and Herzegovina on 24 July 2025.

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 ^a	1 July 2004	5 September 2016	1 November 2020
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines b	1 February 2012	1 May 2019	

^a 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.

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^b On 31 March 2023, the State Party opted out of the simplified reporting procedure, and will submit its report under the traditional procedure.

 $^{^{}c}\,$ A list of issues prior to reporting will be adopted by the Committee at a future session.

^d The list of issues prior to reporting (CMW/C/MLI/QPR/3) was adopted by the Committee at its thirty-ninth session.

^e On 16 May 2023, the State Party opted out of the simplified reporting procedure, and will submit its report under the traditional procedure.

^b The State Party was reviewed in the absence of a report at the twenty-eighth session of the Committee. 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 forty-first session, the Committee will consider the second periodic reports of Honduras (CMW/C/HND/2), Indonesia (CMW/C/IDN/2) and Mauritania (CMW/C/MRT/2). 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 forty-first session, the Committee will adopt lists of issues prior to reporting in respect of Albania and Uganda, and a list of issues in relation to the fourth periodic report of Colombia.

6. Methods of work of the Committee

The Chairs, at their thirty-seventh annual meeting, recalled the conclusions adopted at their thirty-sixth meeting relating to the simplified reporting procedure (A/79/292, para. 59). In order to ensure a harmonized approach to the State Party reporting procedure in line with paragraphs 1 and 2 of General Assembly resolution 68/268 and the consistent implementation thereof by all Committees with periodic reporting procedures, the Chairs concluded that the process of drafting and adopting lists of issues prior to reporting should be further simplified and improved, with a view to significantly reducing the number of questions and further coordinating substantively the issues raised therein.

At its future sessions, the Committee will continue to discuss its methods of work, the harmonization of the treaty bodies' working methods, and other issues arising from General Assembly resolution 68/268 on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system and from subsequent General Assembly resolutions on the human rights treaty body system.

7. Promotion of the Convention

The Committee continues to promote its ratification campaign, including through awareness-raising in collaboration with States Parties, the Inter-Parliamentary Union and civil society organizations, as well as the dissemination of its general comments, taking advantage of the Global Forum for Migration and Development – such as at the side event that the Committee held on its general comment No. 6 (2024), during the Global Forum's fifteenth summit, in Riohacha, Colombia, on 3 September 2025. While 60 ratifications constitute a milestone, the Convention remains the least ratified of the core international human rights treaties.

8. Adoption of joint general recommendations No. 38 and No. 39 of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination/general comments No. 7 and No. 8 of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families on eradicating xenophobia towards migrants and others perceived as such

The Committee will adopt joint general recommendation No. 38 (2025) of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and general comment No. 7 (2025) of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families and joint general recommendation No. 39 (2025) of the Committee on the

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Elimination of Racial Discrimination and general comment No. 8 (2025) of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families. The two Committees will publicly launch these general recommendations/general comments at a public side event, which will be held on 5 December 2025, during their overlapping sessions.

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