

ARTICLE 7 REPORTING

Update

Week of the Standing Committee
meetings

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5MSP-BANGKOK (1)

- ☞ Place a renewed emphasis on ensuring reports under Article 7 are submitted as required in advance of 1RevCon;
- ☞ Exchanging information through Article 7 reporting has been essential in the implementation of the Convention;

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5MSP-BANGKOK (2)

- ☞ Promote implementation of the provisions of Article 7
- ☞ Promote means to assist States Parties in complying with them
 - *States Parties (individually/collectively)*
 - *The Article 7 Contact Group*
 - *The President*
 - *Interested organisations*

ARTICLE 7: TRANSPARENCY MEASURES

- ☞ Importance of Article 7
- ☞ Obligations of States Parties
 - *Initial Report*
 - *Annual Report*
- ☞ Voluntary reporting

WHEN TO REPORT ?

Initial report

- As soon as practicable
- No later than 180 days after entry into force

Annual report

- Every year
- No later than 30 April
- Covering the past calendar year

WHY REPORT ?

- ✓ Legal obligation
- ✓ Reinforce the humanitarian norm
- ✓ Measure progress
 - *Of individual States Parties*
 - *Of the Convention*
- ✓ Identifies needs
- ✓ Instrument for activities in the field
- ✓ Lessons

REPORT TO WHOM ?

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HOW TO REPORT ?

- ✔ Use standardised report forms
- ✔ Whenever possible: submit electronically
- ✔ If necessary: ask for assistance
- ✔ If unavoidable: submit at least information available (+motivate blank forms)
- ✔ Provide supplementary information
- ✔ Report forms are available from:
 - www.un.org/Depts/dda

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COMPLIANCE RATE (1)

Initial reports

- 2001: 63%
- 2002: 75%
- 2003: 88%
- 2004: ?

Late initial reports

- 2002: 30
- 2003: 16
- 2004: ?

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COMPLIANCE RATE (2)

Late initial reports (16):

- Equatorial Guinea
- Namibia
- Guinea
- Solomon Islands
- St. Lucia
- Liberia
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Nauru
- Sierra Leone
- Cape Verde
- Eritrea
- St. Vincent & Grenadines
- Nigeria
- Angola
- Central African Republic
- Cyprus

risks

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COMPLIANCE RATE (3)

Annual reports

- 2001: 59%
- 2002: 74%
- 2003: 65%
- 2004: ?

The Challenge to Nairobi

Initial Reports

- 16 late + 9 new deadlines (*Sao Tome e Principe, Timor Leste, Guyana, Belarus, Serbia & Montenegro, Greece, Turkey, Sudan, Burundi*)

Annual Reports

- *Completing the picture*

Voluntary Reports

- *UNGA Resolution 57/74*

Towards 1RevCon

- ✓ Letter on behalf of 5MSP
- ✓ Regional Initiatives
- ✓ Bilateral contacts
- ✓ Intersessional Meetings
- ✓ Actions by NGOs
- ✓

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APPEAL

From Ouagadougou to Nairobi

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