Cape Verde's third through ninth periodic reports have not been submitted (covering the period 1984–1996); the ninth periodic report was due 2 November 1996.

#### **Discrimination against Women**

Acceded: 5 December 1980.

Cape Verde's initial through fourth periodic reports have not been submitted (covering the period 1982–1994); the fourth periodic report was due 3 September 1994.

### Torture

Acceded: 4 June 1992.

Cape Verde's initial and second periodic reports were due 3 July 1993 and 1997 respectively.

## **Rights of the Child**

Acceded: 4 June 1992. Cape Verde's initial report was due 3 July 1994.

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# CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Date of admission to UN: 20 September 1960.

## **TREATIES AND REPORTS TO TREATY BODIES**

Land and People: The Central African Republic has not submitted a core document for use by the treaty bodies.

#### Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Acceded: 8 May 1981.

The Republic's initial report was due 30 June 1996.

#### **Civil and Political Rights**

Acceded: 8 May 1981.

The Republic's second periodic report was due 9 April 1989; the third periodic report was due 7 August 1992; the fourth periodic report was due 7 August 1997.

Optional Protocol: Acceded: 8 May 1981.

#### **Racial Discrimination**

Signed: 7 March 1966; ratified: 16 March 1971. The Republic has not submitted a report since 1985; the eighth through 13<sup>th</sup> reports are overdue; the 13<sup>th</sup> periodic report was due 15 April 1996.

#### **Discrimination against Women**

Acceded: 21 June 1991. The Republic's initial report was due 21 July 1992; the second periodic report was due 21 July 1996.

#### **Rights of the Child**

Signed: 30 July 1990; ratified: 23 April 1992. The Republic's initial report was due 23 May 1994.

## THEMATIC REPORTS

## Mechanisms of the Commission on Human Rights

Sale of children, child prostitution, child pornography, Special Rapporteur on: (A/52/482, para. 19)

The Special Rapporteur's interim report to the General Assembly refers to information received related to the practice of families marrying daughters as young as 11 or 12 years, to older husbands, for financial gain.

## Mechanisms and Reports of the Sub-Commission

States of emergency, Special Rapporteur on: (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1997/19/Add.1. Section II)

The report notes that the rebellions and disturbances that occurred in November 1996 had resulted in the introduction of curfews on several occasions.

#### **Other Reports**

Detention of international civil servants, Report of the S-G to the CHR: (E/CN.4/1997/25, paras. 3, 20, 51)

The report of the Secretary-General notes that the deterioration of the security situation in the Central African Republic (CAR) had led to the relocation of dependents and/or nonessential staff to safe havens. The UNHCR reported that the upsurge in violence had added to the problems the agency is expected to handle and resolve on a continuing basis. The World Food Programme (WFP) reported that, following the mutiny of some members of the military in May 1996, incidents of looting and heavy fighting had taken place. The WFP office and the home of one WFP staff member were looted and burned. The agency's staff, along with other international staff, were evacuated. All local personnel were sheltered in the UNDP compound with adequate security measures.

## SECURITY COUNCIL

Resolutions adopted by the Security Council (S/RES/ 1125, 6 August 1997; S/RES/1136, 6 November 1997) inter alia: expressed concern about the crisis facing the Central African Republic; noted the signing of the Bangui Agreements of 25 January 1997 and the creation of the Inter-African Mission to Monitor the Implementation of the Bangui Agreements (MISAB); expressed concern over the fact that former mutineers, members of militias and other persons continued to bear arms in contravention of the Bangui Agreements; stressed the need for all signatories of the Bangui Agreements to continue to cooperate fully in respecting and implementing these Agreements; welcomed the support provided by the UNDP for the follow-up of the Bangui Agreements and encouraged it to continue this support; and, urged all states, international organizations and financial institutions to assist in post-conflict development in the Central African Republic.

## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* CHAD

Date of admission to UN: 20 September 1960.

## TREATIES AND REPORTS TO TREATY BODIES

Land and People: Chad has not submitted a core document for use by the treaty bodies.

**Economic, Social and Cultural Rights** Acceded: 9 June 1995. Chad's initial report was due 30 June 1997.

## **Civil and Political Rights**

Acceded: 9 June 1995. Chad's initial report was due 8 September 1996.