



Observation by  
Kazakhstan of requests  
and observations of UN  
human rights treaty  
bodies

### On February 1, 2022, the procedure for observing requests and observations of UN human rights bodies was approved

The mechanism for observation of requests and observations is formed on the basis of established practice and aims to provide a systematic approach to their observation.

In accordance with the procedure, the mechanism has the right to involve in the review process of requests and observations of the complainant and the UN representative in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Requests and observations will be observed collectively by an interagency working group (IAWG), those activities are coordinated by the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Legal analysis of compliance with the law on issues raised in a request or observation will be carried out by the Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Kazakhstan within the framework of the LAWG. The position of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the human rights treaty bodies will be transmitted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

## Un Committees

**The Committee against Torture (CAT)** oversees the implementation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment through the examination of State reports, individual complaints, interstate communications and requests for investigations, and its preparation of general observations, statements and letters of reprisal, as well as general discussions. As of October 2021, 172 states are parties to the Convention against Torture.

**The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)** is very specific: it monitors progress made for women in countries that are participating States 1979 Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

**The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)** oversees the implementation of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD) through the observation of state reports, individual complaints, interstate communications, early warning and urgent procedures, as well as the preparation of general comments and thematic discussions. As of October 2021, 182 states are members of the ICERD.

**The Human Rights Committee (CCRP)** is the UN human rights treaty body responsible for overseeing the implementation of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) by examining state reports, individual complaints and interstate communications and preparing general comments, substantive statements and general discussions topics covered by the ICCPR. As of September 2021, 173 states are parties to the ICCPR.

### Mechanism for consideration of requests and views of human rights treaty bodies.

1. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs sends a request or consideration to the Prosecutor General's Office and the Ministry of Justice.
2. The Prosecutor General's Office sends the received request or consideration to the interested bodies.
3. The interested bodies, within their competence, carry out an analysis of the issues raised, following which they send information to the Prosecutor General's Office.
4. The Prosecutor General's Office, based on the results of studying the request or observation, conducts a legal analysis of compliance with the rule of law, which to be sent to the Ministry of Justice.
5. The Ministry of Justice organizes the meeting of the interagency working group.
6. According to the results of the meeting, the Ministry of Justice sends the position of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
7. The Foreign Office sends the position to the relevant treaty body.
8. Interaction of the Republic of Kazakhstan with treaty bodies is carried out in accordance with the rules of the treaty body.