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| Country | Date of ratification/accession | National Preventive Mechanism (NPM) | Information received from States Parties following requests from the SPT | | | |
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| Designated N | Designated NPM notified by the State Party to the SPT | | | | | |
| Albania | 01.10.2003 (a) | People's Advocate | Correspondence | | | |
| Azerbaijan | 28.01.2009 | The Human Rights Commissioner (Ombudsman) | Correspondence | | | |
| Chile | 12.12.2008 | Instituto Nacional de Derechos Humanos | Correspondence | | | |
| Costa Rica | 01.12.2005 | Defensoria de los Habitantes | Correspondence | | | |
| Cyprus | 29.04.2009 | Commissioner of Administration/Ombudsman | Correspondence | | | |
| Czech Republic | 10.07.2006 | Public Defender of Rights | Correspondence | | | |
| Denmark | 25.06.2004 | Ombudsman Greenland's Ombudsperson | Correspondence | | | |
| Estonia | 18.12.2006 | Chancellor of Justice | Correspondence | | | |
| France | 11.11.2008 | Contrôleur Général des lieux de privation de liberté | Correspondence | | | |
| Georgia | 09.08.2005 (a) | Office of the Public Defender | Correspondence Correspondence | | | |
| | 04.12.2008 | The Federal Agency for the Prevention of Torture and the Join Commission of the Lander were designated as NPM | Correspondence | | | |
| Germany | | The first one will deal with federal | Correspondence | | | |
| | | institutions and the second one will deal with Lander authorities. | Correspondence | | | |
| Honduras | 23.05.2006 | National Committee for the Prevention of Torture | Correspondence | | | |
| | | | Information contained in the public SPT visit report | | | |
| Liechtenstein | 03.11.2006 | Corrections Commission | Correspondence | | | |
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Commission of Human
Rights
INTERIGHTS
IRCT
OMCT
Torture Reporting Book
IDA
Human Rights
Implementation Centre
of the University of
Bristol

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| Luxembourg | 19.05.2010 | | |
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| Maldives | 15.02.2006 | Human Rights Commission | Correspondence Public SPT Report on the first periodic visit to Maldives, CAT/OP/MDV/1 |
| Mali | 12.05.2005 | Commission nationale des Droits de l'Homme | Correspondence |
| | | | Correspondence |
| Malta | 24.09.2003 | Board of Visitors for Detained Persons and the Board of Visitors of the Prisons | Chapter 260 Prison regulations LN 118 LN 265 LN 266 LN 341 Extent to which Legal Notices reflect preventive mandate in OPCAT's NPM (Unofficial Comparative Table) |
| | | | Correspondence |
| Mauritius | 21.06.2005 (a) | | Information contained in the confidential SPT visit report |
| | 11.04.2005 | | Correspondence |
| Mexico | | National Human Rights Commission | Information contained in the public SPT visit report |
| New Zealand | 14.03.2007 | Human Rights Commission (central NPM) + the Ombudsman's Office, the Children's Commissioner, the Police Complaints Authority and the Judge Advocate General | Correspondence |
| Poland | 14.09.2005 | The Commissioner for Civil Rights Protection (Ombudsman) | Correspondence |
| | | Centre for Human Rights (Ombudsman) in combination with the Consultative Council | Correspondence |
| Republic of Moldova | 24.07.2006 | | Correspondence |
| | | | Annexes: 1-2 |
| Senegal | 18.10.2006 | Observateur national des lieux de privation de liberté | Correspondence |
| Serbia | 26.09.2006 | Protector of Citizens (Ombudsman) | |
| Slovenia | 23.01.2007 (a) | Human Rights Ombudsman | Correspondence |
| Spain | 04.04.2006 | El Defensor del Pueblo | Correspondence Correspondence |
| Sweden | 14.09.2005 | Parliamentary Ombudsman and the Chancellor of Justice | Correspondence Replies from Sweden to the Recommendations and Questions of the SPT in its report on the First Periodic Visit to Sweden CAT/OP/SWE/1/Add.1 Public SPT Report on the first periodic visit |

| | | | to Sweden, CAT/OP/SWE/1 |
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| Switzerland | 24.09.2009 | Commission nationale de prévention de la torture | Correspondence |
| The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | 13.02.2009 | Ombudsman of the Republic of Macedonia"; The non-governmental organizations registered in the State Party and organizations which have acquired the status of humanitarian organizations in the State Party, may perform some of the competences of the national preventive mechanism, in agreement with, and with prior consent of the "Ombudsman of the Republic of Macedonia" http://www.ombudsman.mk | Correspondence |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northen Ireland | 10.12.2003 | Eighteen organizations, including the lay visitor scheme organisations (ICVA), the HM Inspectorate for Prisons, and the HM Inspectorate for Constabulary, coordinated by the HM Inspector for Prisons | Correspondence |
| Uruguay | 08.12.2005 | Institución Nacional de Derechos Humanos | Correspondence Annexes: 1-2-3-4 |
| No designation | on of NPM notified by th | e State Party to the SPT | Correspondence |
| Argentina | 15.11.2004 | | Correspondence Correspondence |
| Armenia | 14.09.2006 (a) | | |
| Benin | 20.09.2006 | | Information contained in the public SPT visit report |
| Bolivia | 23.05.2006 | | Correspondence Annexes: 1-2-3-4 Information contained in the confidential SPT visit report |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | 24.10.2008 | | |
| Brazil | 12.01.2007 | | Correspondence Correspondence |
| Bulgaria* | 01.06.2011 | | |
| Burkina Faso | 07.07.2010 | | |
| Cambodia | 30.03.2007 | | Correspondence Information contained in the confidential SPT visit report |
| Croatia | 25.04.2005 | | |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | 23.09.2010 | | |
| Ecuador | 20.07.2010 | | |
| Gabon | 22.09.2010 | | |
| Guatemala | 09.06.2008 | | Correspondence - Not for public distribution |

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|---|-------------------|--|--|--|
| Hungary* | 12.01.2012 (a) | | | |
| Kazakhstan** | 22.10.2008 | | | |
| Kyrgyzstan | 29.12.2008 (a) | | | |
| Lebanon | 22.12.2008 (a) | | Information contained in the confidential SPT visit report | |
| Liberia | 22.09.2004 (a) | | | |
| Montenegro** | 06.03.2009 | | | |
| Netherlands | 28 September 2010 | | | |
| Nicaragua | 25.02.2009 | | | |
| Nigeria | 27.07.09 (a) | | | |
| Panama* | 02.06.2011 | | | |
| Paraguay | 02.12.2005 | | Information contained in the public SPT visit report | |
| Peru | 14.09.2006 (a) | | Correspondence | |
| Romania** | 02.07.2009 | | Correspondence | |
| Togo | 20.07.2010 | | | |
| Tunisia* | 29.06.2011 (a) | | | |
| Turkey* | 27.09.2011 | | | |
| Ukraine | 19.09.2006 | | | |
| *one year deadline to maintain, designate or establish NPMs not yet expired - article 17 of the OPCAT | | | | |
| **Declaration made under article 24 of the OPCAT | | | | |

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