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Plurinational State of Bolivia

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I. BACKGROUND AND FRAMEWORK

A. Scope of international obligations¹

<i>Core universal human rights treaties²</i>	<i>Date of ratification, accession or succession</i>	<i>Declarations /reservations</i>	<i>Recognition of specific competences of treaty bodies</i>
ICERD	22 Sept. 1970	None	Individual complaints (art. 14): Yes
ICESCR	12 Aug. 1982	None	-
ICCPR	12 Aug. 1982	None	Inter-State complaints (art. 41): No
ICCPR-OP 1	12 Aug. 1982	None	-
CEDAW	8 June 1990	None	-
OP-CEDAW	27 Sept. 2000	None	Inquiry procedure (arts. 8 and 9): No
CAT	12 April 1999	None	Inter-State complaints (art. 21): Yes Individual complaints (art. 22): Yes Inquiry procedure (art. 20): No
OP-CAT	23 May 2006	None	-
CRC	26 June 1990	None	-
OP-CRC-AC	22 Dec. 2004	Binding declaration under art 3: 18 years	-
OP-CRC-SC	3 June 2003	None	-
ICRMW	16 Oct. 2000	None	Inter-State complaints (art. 76): No Individual complaints (art. 77): No
CRPD	16 Nov. 2009	None	-
OP-CRPD	16 Nov. 2009	None	Inquiry procedure (arts. 6 and 7): Yes
CED	17 Dec. 2008	None	Individual complaints (art. 31): No Inter-State complaints (art. 32): No

Core treaties to which Bolivia is not a party: OP-ICESCR and OP-ICCPR 2.

<i>Other main relevant international instruments</i>	<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>
Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide	Yes
Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	Yes
Palermo Protocol ³	Yes
Refugees and stateless persons ⁴	Yes
Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and Additional Protocols thereto ⁵	Yes, except Additional Protocol III.
ILO fundamental conventions ⁶	Yes
UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education	No

1. In 2009, the Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC)⁷ and the United Nations Country Team (UNCT)⁸ recommended that the Plurinational State of Bolivia ratify OP-ICESCR and ICCPR-OP 2. In 2008, the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (CMW) encouraged Bolivia to consider making the declarations provided for in articles 76 and 77 of the Convention, and acceding to ILO Conventions No. 97 and No. 143.⁹

B. Constitutional and legislative framework

2. CRC welcomed the adoption of the new Constitution in 2009.¹⁰ El UNCT indicó que la Constitución incluye derechos individuales y colectivos reconocidos en los tratados internacionales de derechos humanos. Estos últimos tienen rango constitucional, e incluso prevalecen sobre la Constitución cuando sus normas son más favorables.¹¹ UNICEF¹² and the Special Rapporteur on the right to food¹³ made similar observations.
3. El UNCT indicó que con la última reforma constitucional se incluyó a la Justicia Indígena Originaria Campesina como una jurisdicción equivalente a la ordinaria.¹⁴ While congratulating Bolivia for its recognition of cultural diversity and the specificities of indigenous communities in legislation, CEDAW urged the Government in 2008 to ensure that indigenous concepts and practices are in conformity with the legal framework of the Convention.¹⁵
4. In 2007, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people recommended that Bolivia carry out the legislative reforms needed to regulate the exercise of indigenous peoples' rights as recognized, inter alia, in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which has the status of domestic law.¹⁶
5. In 2009, CRC regretted that national legislation was not in conformity with the Convention, including the Child Code (Código del Niño, Niña y Adolescente) and laws concerning corporal punishment, marriage, alternative care and juvenile justice.¹⁷ UNCT and UNICEF recommended that Bolivia strengthen the overall legal framework on child rights and child protection.¹⁸
6. The Special Rapporteur on the right to food recommended in 2008 that framework laws on the right to food and the right to water be adopted to fully entrench these rights.¹⁹

C. Institutional and human rights infrastructure

7. The Defensor del Pueblo of Bolivia was accredited with 'A' status by the International Coordinating Committee (ICC) of National Human Rights Institutions for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in 2000, which was reconfirmed in 2007.²⁰ El UNCT indicó que desde diciembre de 2008, la Defensoría está bajo la dirección de una Defensora interina y hasta la fecha no se ha advertido voluntad política del poder legislativo para designar al nuevo Defensor.²¹
8. In 2008, CEDAW was concerned at the lack of institutional stability of national machineries for the advancement of women, their limited decision-making power and lack of financial and human resources.²²
9. In 2009, CRC recommended that Bolivia establish a Children's Ombudsman.²³

D. Policy measures

10. CRC²⁴ and UNCT²⁵ highlighted the adoption of the National Human Rights Action Plan (PNADH) 2009-2013. El UNCT también mencionó la adopción del Plan Nacional de Desarrollo, el Plan de Desarrollo Sectorial de Salud (2006-2010) y el Plan Estratégico Nacional

Multisectorial VIH/SIDA (2008-2012).²⁶ UNICEF reported that the National Plan for Equal Opportunities for Women was finalized in 2008.²⁷

11. CRC regretted in 2009 that the draft National Plan of Action for Children had not yet been approved, and that the draft text did not cover all the areas of the Convention or all children up to the age of 18.²⁸

12. In 2009, the Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples recommended strengthening policies to combat all forms of discrimination.²⁹

13. OHCHR Bolivia welcomed social programmes, such as the “dignity pension”, the “Juancito Pinto” Bonus Programme and the Zero Malnutrition initiative. It added that in spite of Government efforts, many groups are still underserved by social programmes, in particular indigenous communities, women and children.³⁰

II. PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ON THE GROUND

A. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms

1. Cooperation with treaty bodies

<i>Treaty body³¹</i>	<i>Latest report submitted and considered</i>	<i>Latest concluding observations</i>	<i>Follow-up response</i>	<i>Reporting status</i>
CERD	2002	Dec. 2003	-	Combined 17th and 18th reports overdue since 2005
CESCR	2007	Aug. 2008	-	Combined third and fourth reports due in 2010
HR Committee	1996	May 1997	-	Third report overdue since 1999
CEDAW	2006	April 2008	-	Combined fifth and sixth reports due in 2011
CAT	2000	May 2001	-	Second report overdue since 2004
CRC	2008	Sep. 2009	-	Combined 5th and 6th reports due in 2005
OP-CRC- AC			-	Initial report overdue since 2007
OP-CRC- SC			-	Initial report overdue July 2005
CMW	2007	May 2008	-	Second report overdue since July 2009

2. Cooperation with special procedures

<i>Standing invitation issued</i>	No
<i>Latest visits or mission reports</i>	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people (25 November-7 December 2007), ³² Special Rapporteur on the right to food (29 April-6 May 2007); ³³ independent expert on the effects of structural adjustment policies and foreign debt (15-18 May 2001); ³⁴ and independent expert on human rights and extreme poverty (2001). ³⁵

<i>Visits agreed upon in principle</i>	Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (2007, reminder sent to set dates); Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (scheduled for 2009 and postponed at the request of the Special Rapporteur); independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights (requested in 2008).
<i>Visits requested and not yet agreed upon</i>	-
<i>Facilitation/cooperation during missions</i>	The Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples appreciated the cooperation of the Government. ³⁶
<i>Follow-up to visits</i>	-
<i>Responses to letters of allegations and urgent appeals</i>	During the period under review, 8 communications were sent concerning, <i>inter alia</i> , particular groups, including 6 women. The Government replied to 2 communications, representing replies to 25 per cent of communications sent.
<i>Responses to questionnaires on thematic issues</i> ³⁷	Bolivia responded to 2 of the 16 questionnaires sent by special procedures mandate holders, ³⁸ within the deadlines. ³⁹

3. Cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

14. In February 2007, Bolivia signed an agreement with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights to establish an OHCHR office in the country. The agreement provides OHCHR-Bolivia with a broad mandate that comprises, *inter alia*, the provision of technical assistance to public institutions and civil society organizations; the promotion of human rights; and the monitoring and reporting on the status of human rights in the country.⁴⁰ In 2008, OHCHR-Bolivia conducted 41 monitoring missions and provided advice on the elaboration of five draft laws.⁴¹ It also contributed to, *inter alia*, the inclusion of human rights guarantees in the final draft of the new Constitution⁴² and the adoption of the PNADH 2009-2013.⁴³ The then High Commissioner for Human Rights, Louise Arbour, visited Bolivia in 2007.⁴⁴

B. Implementation of international human rights obligations

1. Equality and non-discrimination

15. In 2008, CEDAW urged Bolivia to repeal without delay all legislation that discriminates against women, including discriminatory provisions in its criminal and civil law. Special reference was made to article 317 of the Penal Code, which provides that there shall be no punishment in cases of rape and other abuses when perpetrators marry their victims, and to article 130 of the Family Code on the grounds for divorce.⁴⁵

16. CEDAW was concerned that a considerable number of women, particularly indigenous women in rural areas, older women and women with disabilities do not have identity documents and therefore have neither access to public institutions nor to the relevant social services and benefits.⁴⁶

17. In 2008, CECSR requested taking effective measures and providing funds to combat discrimination in the education of girls and young women, in access to employment and equal working conditions for men and women, and in access to housing and land ownership.⁴⁷

18. In 2007, the Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples stressed that one of the most worrying human rights issues in Bolivia was the persistence of manifestations of racism against indigenous people.⁴⁸ He referred to episodes of racially tinged political violence, especially in Beni, Santa Cruz and other eastern departments, resulting from political tensions having to do, inter alia, with processes for the recovery and recognition of indigenous territories.⁴⁹ In 2003, CERD reiterated its recommendation that Bolivia make all forms of racial discrimination punishable by law.⁵⁰ Between 2007 and 2009, the High Commissioner,⁵¹ the Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples⁵² and UNCT⁵³ also made recommendations in this regard. In 2008, OHCHR-Bolivia noted that a draft law on anti-discrimination was being considered in Congress.⁵⁴

19. In 2008, CEDAW was particularly concerned that the Afro-Bolivian community was socially invisible and marginalized due to the fact that it is not recognized in national statistics, hindering their access to basic social services.⁵⁵ In 2003, CERD noted that the Afro-Bolivian community faced severe disadvantages in health, life expectancy, education, income, literacy, employment and housing.⁵⁶

20. CMW was concerned in 2008 that some migrants had allegedly suffered from discrimination and stigmatization from State authorities, including the National Migration Service (SENAMIG) and the police.⁵⁷

2. Right to life, liberty and security of the person

21. In 2005, the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances indicated that there were 28 remaining outstanding cases in Bolivia.⁵⁸

22. According to information collected by OHCHR-Bolivia, on 11 September 2008, shots were fired indiscriminately against a gathering of peasants and indigenous people in El Porvenir (Department of Pando). It is alleged that the armed attack was carried out by civil servants and supporters of the Pando Prefecture. The violent incidents left at least 11 dead and around 50 wounded.⁵⁹ OHCHR-Bolivia concluded that what occurred was a massacre, constituting a grave violation of human rights.⁶⁰ In 2009, OHCHR-Bolivia reiteró su recomendación de que los hechos acaecidos en El Porvenir sean esclarecidos con estricto apego a los principios procesales y sin que se incurra en dilaciones indebidas. Añadió que se deben realizar investigaciones para determinar si las acciones de los funcionarios encargados de hacer cumplir la ley fueron las más adecuadas para prevenir violaciones de derechos humanos y proteger a las víctimas. También hizo un llamado al Ministerio Público para que de manera urgente adopte medidas para garantizar la seguridad de los testigos.⁶¹

23. In 2001, CAT was concerned about complaints of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, on many occasions resulting in death - in police stations, prisons and military barracks.⁶² It recommended, inter alia, that Bolivia incorporate in its criminal legislation the definition of torture as set forth in the Convention, make torture a crime and that it stipulate penalties commensurate with its seriousness.⁶³ In 2009, while welcoming the prohibition of torture in the new Constitution, CRC expressed concern about reports of torture, cruel and inhuman treatment by the police, including sexual violence, of children in street situations.⁶⁴ In 2008, OHCHR-Bolivia provided advice on the elaboration of a draft law on State policy against torture and on the establishment of a national preventive mechanism.⁶⁵

24. Concern was expressed by CAT regarding overcrowding and lack of basic services in prisons.⁶⁶ In 2008, OHCHR-Bolivia indicated that, according to information received, 78 per cent of prisoners were awaiting trial.⁶⁷ The same year, the Special Rapporteur on the right to food highlighted that it was essential to improve the nutritional value of the food distributed to prisoners.⁶⁸ In 2009, CRC expressed concern at the high number of children living in prison due to the imprisonment of one of their parents, as well as at their safety and living conditions.⁶⁹

25. OHCHR-Bolivia noted in 2008 that although no policy or systematic practice of arbitrary detention is in place, there was concern over a number of irregular detentions carried out by the security forces against political opponents, who allegedly committed common crimes. According to allegations received, some of these arrests were carried out by hooded agents acting without warrants and using disproportionate force.⁷⁰

26. In 2008, CEDAW remained gravely concerned about the extent, intensity and prevalence of violence against women in Bolivia, which borders on “femicide”.⁷¹ El UNCT añadió que la falta de registro unificado de datos de violencia contra las mujeres resta visibilidad a la magnitud del problema.⁷²

27. CRC was concerned in 2009 by the high rate of domestic violence against children, which is often considered as an educative measure.⁷³ It recommended, inter alia, that the Government expressly prohibit corporal punishment by law in all settings and that it promote positive, non-violent forms of discipline.⁷⁴ Concerned by the fact that Bolivia continues to be a source and destination country for victims of trafficking,⁷⁵ CRC also recommended the approval and promulgation of the new integral law on the sale of children, sexual exploitation and trafficking, ensuring that it takes into account OP-CRC-SC.⁷⁶

28. In 2009, the ILO Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations (ILO Committee of Experts) noted that although Bolivia’s legislation appears to be consistent with the ILO Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, work by children under 18 in conditions of debt bondage or forced labour is a problem in practice.⁷⁷ In 2009, CRC recommended urgent measures to address and monitor exploitative forms of child labour.⁷⁸

29. In 2008, OHCHR-Bolivia found that numerous Guaraní people were still subjected to servitude and other contemporary forms of slavery. It highlighted the alarming conditions of 20 communities in Alto Parapetí in Santa Cruz, where the situation has worsened due to the resistance of landlords and local opponents to Government attempts to end the degrading living and working conditions that persist there.⁷⁹ In 2007, the Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples recommended that the Government, as a matter of priority, strengthen measures for the suppression of all forms of servitude and forced labour in the country, with the technical assistance of the ILO and other relevant agencies and organizations.⁸⁰ CESCR,⁸¹ the Special Rapporteur on the right to food,⁸² and the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues⁸³ also made recommendations in this regard.

3. Administration of justice, including impunity, and the rule of law

30. In 2008, the High Commissioner called upon national authorities to urgently identify sources of funding to comply with the reparation commitments undertaken through Law 2640 (Law on Exceptional Reparation for Victims of Political Violence During Periods of Unconstitutional Governments).⁸⁴

31. In 2008, OHCHR-Bolivia highlighted that the justice system and the Public Prosecutor's Office face many challenges: they have been shown to be susceptible to political interference, are not accessible to a majority of the population and are also subject to delays and corruption.⁸⁵ It added that the political tensions between the Government and the prefectures have weakened the administration of justice and put at risk the rule of law.⁸⁶

32. En 2009, el UNCT explicó que el proceso de implementación de la nueva Constitución conlleva una reestructuración profunda del poder judicial y la renovación de los titulares de las altas instancias judiciales.⁸⁷ In 2008, OHCHR-Bolivia noted that political impasse in Parliament had prevented new appointments, including the designation of nine magistrates to the Constitutional Tribunal, which was paralyzed as a result.⁸⁸ The High Commissioner recommended to no longer delay the appointment of judiciary authorities and to ensure that the principles of independence and impartiality prevail in all the institutions of justice.⁸⁹

33. OHCHR-Bolivia expresó su preocupación por casos de linchamientos ocurridos en 2008. Añadió que la debilidad del aparato de justicia, sumada, en algunos casos, a la reacción tardía de los agentes de seguridad, favorece a un cuadro de impunidad que alienta la repetición de este tipo de conductas. OHCHR-Bolivia hizo un llamado al Estado para que fortalezca el sistema de justicia y otros órganos del Estado encargados de velar por la seguridad pública.⁹⁰ In 2007, the Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples noted that some social sectors and communications media have exploited incidents of lynching to “defame” indigenous justice and to deprive it of full recognition.⁹¹

34. In 2009, CRC expressed concern that children above the age of 16 serve sentences in adult prisons in precarious conditions, and that deprivation of liberty is not used as a measure of last resort.⁹² UNICEF stressed in 2009, that alternatives to custodial sentencing need to be implemented.⁹³ It also recommended more efforts to ensure that children and adolescents are better served and protected by justice systems.⁹⁴

4. Right to privacy, marriage and family life

35. CRC was concerned that there are no systematic strategies in place to guarantee transparent adoption processes.⁹⁵ UNICEF highlighted that the mechanisms to monitor the post-adoption process are insufficient.⁹⁶ CRC added that regulations for alternative care are inappropriate and that the SEDEGES (Servicios Departamentales de Gestión Social) do not have the capacity or resources to take on sufficiently their responsibility for alternative care.⁹⁷

5. Freedom of religion or belief, expression, association and peaceful assembly, and right to participate in public and political life

36. OHCHR-Bolivia indicated that in 2008 there was an increase in the number of attacks against human rights defenders. Civil society organizations promoting the rights of indigenous peoples and peasants in Beni, Santa Cruz, Tarija and Chuquisaca were particularly targeted. It is alleged that the perpetrators were members of the civic committees and local opponents of the Government.⁹⁸ Between 2005 and 2007, special procedures mandate holders sent a number of communications expressing concern about attacks and acts of intimidation against organizations working on agrarian issues.⁹⁹ In 2007, the Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples recommended, inter alia, that attacks against leaders of indigenous organizations and human

rights defenders continue to be investigated and punished and that an exhaustive investigation be conducted into the possible responsibility of public authorities.¹⁰⁰

37. OHCHR-Bolivia indicated that according to the Observatorio Nacional de Medios, a total of 117 journalists suffered verbal and physical assaults between June 2007 and August 2008.¹⁰¹ It added that there has been no satisfactory investigation of the few complaints filed by journalists and the national press guild.¹⁰² In 2008, the High Commissioner called upon the Government to respect and guarantee freedom of expression, freedom of the press and the right to information. The High Commissioner also called upon all public and private media to exercise their professions according to the highest norms of professional ethics.¹⁰³

38. In 2008, while taking note of the draft Law against Political Harassment of Women, CEDAW was particularly concerned at the incidence of such violence against women in government posts.¹⁰⁴ A United Nations Statistics Division source indicated that the proportion of seats held by women in the national parliament decreased from 19.2 per cent in 2005 to 16.9 per cent in 2009.¹⁰⁵

39. The High Commissioner encouraged the Government to continue to strengthen policies aimed at including indigenous peoples in all areas of public life.¹⁰⁶

6. Right to work and to just and favourable conditions of work

40. CEDAW was concerned about, inter alia, the existence of a huge gap in men's and women's wages, clear-cut job segregation and poor working conditions.¹⁰⁷ CESCR noted in 2008 that the minimum wage continued to be insufficient to provide a decent standard of living¹⁰⁸ and that the lack of employment opportunities has obliged much of the population to emigrate.¹⁰⁹ En 2009, el UNCT destacó problemas como el desempleo estructural y la enorme proporción de empleo informal que pone a más del 57 por ciento de la población trabajadora por fuera de la protección de la legislación laboral.¹¹⁰ El UNCT recomendó formular e implementar una política nacional de promoción del empleo de corto, mediano y largo plazo, poniendo especial atención a la situación de grupos sujetos a discriminación en el trabajo.¹¹¹ CESCR encouraged Bolivia to step up its efforts to protect the rights of workers,¹¹² and recommended that the fruits of Bolivia's macroeconomic growth be also used to create decent new jobs for men and women.¹¹³

41. In 2009, the ILO Committee of Experts asked the Government to amend the provisions of the legislation that regulate the age of admission to apprenticeship so as to provide that no one under 14 years of age is engaged in an apprenticeship, as required by the ILO Minimum Age Convention.¹¹⁴

7. Right to social security and to an adequate standard of living

42. El UNCT indicó que en 2007 el 54 por ciento de la población no tenía ingresos suficientes para satisfacer sus necesidades básicas.¹¹⁵ The Special Rapporteur on the right to food noted that poverty levels are much higher in rural areas and that extreme poverty is concentrated amongst indigenous communities.¹¹⁶ In 2008, CESCR urged Bolivia to take all necessary steps to reduce extreme poverty and encouraged it to implement fiscal measures with a view to improving the distribution of wealth among the population in both rural and urban areas.¹¹⁷

43. In 2008, the Special Rapporteur on the right to food highlighted that the situation of malnutrition and food insecurity remained grave. Chronic malnutrition of a large proportion of

Bolivia's infant children was of most concern.¹¹⁸ He recommended that a comprehensive national development strategy for food security and food sovereignty be elaborated and implemented. The strategy should focus on eradicating malnutrition and on reversing extreme inequality, by investing in small-scale peasant agriculture, implementing effective agrarian reform and protecting the rights of peasants and indigenous peoples over their land, water and own seeds.¹¹⁹ In 2008, CESCR made similar observations, adding that a large quantity of arable land was devoted to the production of biofuels, a situation which affects the availability of food for human consumption and leads to price increases.¹²⁰

44. CESCR was concerned that vulnerable and marginalized groups continue to have very limited access to health services.¹²¹ According to the Special Rapporteur on indigenous people, 80 per cent of the indigenous population does not have access to health facilities.¹²² CRC was concerned at the still high number of maternal deaths, and noted that there has been no real reduction of the infant mortality rate in rural areas.¹²³ In 2008, CEDAW recommended integrating a gender perspective into the national health policy and improving access to health services to the most vulnerable groups of women, in particular rural and indigenous women. CEDAW also urged Bolivia to adopt regulations to implement existing laws on Bolivian women's right to therapeutic abortion.¹²⁴

45. In 2009, CRC was concerned that HIV/AIDS is becoming a prevalent problem in Bolivia.¹²⁵ El UNCT recomendó promover el cumplimiento de la Ley de SIDA a través de un reglamento específico¹²⁶ y aumentar los recursos financieros proveídos por el Tesoro General de la Nación.¹²⁷

46. CESCR expressed concern in 2008 at the widespread housing shortage, the incidence of forced evictions of farmers and indigenous populations to make way for mining and timber concessions, and the lack of effective measures to provide social housing for low-income, vulnerable and marginalized groups.¹²⁸ It urged Bolivia to take the necessary measures to, inter alia, prevent the forced eviction of rural families who are occupying land peacefully; and ensure that the judicial authorities take the provisions of the Covenant into account when handing down their decisions.¹²⁹

47. In 2009, CRC¹³⁰ and UNICEF¹³¹ were concerned at the extremely low level of sanitation coverage and the high discrepancy between urban and rural areas. The Special Rapporteur on the right to food noted that up to 43 per cent of the population in rural areas has no access to safe drinking water and 75 per cent have no sanitation.¹³²

8. Right to education and to participate in the cultural life of the community

48. UNICEF,¹³³ UNCT¹³⁴ and CRC¹³⁵ noted that the Constitution establishes free and compulsory primary and secondary education. However, CRC was concerned that not all children, particularly indigenous children, attend primary school and that some primary school fees continue to be charged. CRC was further concerned at the lack of preschools, the poor quality of education, the low transition rate from primary to secondary school and the marked gender disparity in secondary school.¹³⁶ It recommended ensuring that girls and indigenous children also fully realize their right to education, and improving the quality of teacher training, particularly with regard to intercultural and bilingual education.¹³⁷ UNICEF recommended, inter alia, the development of a national early learning policy and early childhood development standards.¹³⁸

9. Minorities and indigenous peoples

49. En 2009, el UNCT indicó que los pueblos indígenas representan cerca del 65 por ciento de la población boliviana.¹³⁹ While noting the efforts made by the State since 2006, the CESCR continued to be concerned at the marginalization of indigenous peoples and the discrimination that they suffer, particularly with regard to the right to education, adequate housing, food and health services.¹⁴⁰

50. In 2007, the Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples highlighted that the main challenges to the enjoyment of the rights of the indigenous peoples in Bolivia are access to land and recognition of their traditional territories.¹⁴¹ While some progress has been made in land reform and the granting of titles, there are still many obstacles to be faced. The Special Rapporteur recommended that special priority be accorded to the agrarian land regularization process under the new Community-Based Agrarian Reform Renewal Act (No. 3545), paying particular attention to the titling of the indigenous Tierras Comunitarias de Origen (TCO, or original community lands). To this end, the Government should provide the relevant institutions with the necessary human and financial resources.¹⁴² The Special Rapporteur on the right to food,¹⁴³ CESCR¹⁴⁴ and CERD¹⁴⁵ also made recommendations in this regard.

51. The Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples stressed that the environmental pollution of many indigenous territories, as a consequence of mining operations and hydrocarbon production, has posed serious problems to the health and traditional economic activities of the indigenous communities. He added that despite the many complaints submitted, there is a reported failure to provide redress and compensation by those responsible for the polluting activities.¹⁴⁶ The Special Rapporteur on the right to food expressed similar concerns in 2008.¹⁴⁷ En 2009, el UNCT resaltó que existen diversas observaciones de la Comisión de Expertos de la OIT por incumplimiento de obligaciones establecidas en el Convenio No. 169, incluyendo el derecho de consulta y otros derechos colectivos de los pueblos indígenas, especialmente en relación a proyectos extractivos de recursos naturales.¹⁴⁸ The Special Rapporteur on indigenous peoples recommended that the relevant authorities, as a matter of urgency, carry out a general study on the pollution of the indigenous territories and, in consultation with the communities affected, implement such measures of inspection, relief, redress, compensation, prevention and punishment as may be necessary.¹⁴⁹

52. In 2008, CMW noted information that 60 per cent of the indigenous population had migrated abroad. It was concerned about the effects of this mass migration, taking into account the often vulnerable situation of indigenous migrants.¹⁵⁰

10. Migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers

53. CMW took note in 2008 of the Government's assurance that a draft bill on migration was being prepared and encouraged it to strengthen efforts to fully incorporate the Convention into domestic law.¹⁵¹

54. CMW also recommended that consular services respond more effectively to the need for protection of Bolivian migrant workers¹⁵² and invited the Government to facilitate their voluntary return, as well as their durable social and cultural reintegration.¹⁵³

55. CMW expressed concern that it was not clear from the information provided by Bolivia, whether migrants have access to appeal procedures in relation to expulsion decisions. Bolivia

was invited to ensure that migrant workers and their families are only expelled from its territory pursuant to a decision taken by the competent authority in conformity with the law, and that this decision can be reviewed on appeal.¹⁵⁴

56. In 2008, CMW regretted that no mechanism existed to facilitate the identification of refugees or victims of trafficking among migrants.¹⁵⁵ In 2009, CRC reiterated its concern at the lack of specific procedures for providing special care and assistance to unaccompanied and separated children.¹⁵⁶

III. ACHIEVEMENTS, BEST PRACTICES, CHALLENGES AND CONSTRAINTS

57. UNCT¹⁵⁷ and OHCHR-Bolivia¹⁵⁸ commended Bolivia for being the first country to enact the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as law. El UNCT también resaltó el Programa de Alfabetización “Yo sí puedo”, con lo cual se estima que la tasa de analfabetismo se ha reducido a niveles marginales.¹⁵⁹

58. According to OHCHR-Bolivia, advances were made in economic, social and cultural rights, yet ongoing political instability had a negative impact on human rights.¹⁶⁰ UNICEF noted that areas which require increased efforts in order to meet the relevant Millennium Development Goals relate to poverty eradication, nutrition, water and sanitation and environmental sustainability.¹⁶¹

59. OHCHR-Bolivia and UNCT highlighted that implementing the PNADH will be one of the main challenges in the years to come.¹⁶² El rápido avance en el desarrollo legislativo y normativo de los contenidos del nuevo texto constitucional también representa un reto.¹⁶³

IV. KEY NATIONAL PRIORITIES, INITIATIVES AND COMMITMENTS

Pledges by the State

60. In its voluntary pledge submitted in 2007 in support of its candidacy for membership of the Human Rights Council, Bolivia expressed its political commitment to the promotion of human rights and referred to, inter alia, actions being taken by the Government to protect the rights of indigenous peoples.¹⁶⁴

V. CAPACITY-BUILDING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

61. El Marco de Asistencia de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo (2008-2012) identificó áreas de cooperación con efectos esperados como, inter alia, la profundización de la gobernabilidad democrática, la disminución de la desnutrición, y la inclusión social de la población marginada.¹⁶⁵

62. In 2009, CRC recommended that Bolivia seek technical assistance on reintegration programmes for exploited children¹⁶⁶; juvenile justice¹⁶⁷ and follow-up to the United Nations study on violence against children (A/61/299).¹⁶⁸

Notes

¹ Unless indicated otherwise, the status of ratifications of instruments listed in the table may be found in *Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General: Status as at 31 December 2006* (ST/LEG/SER.E.25), supplemented by the official website of the United Nations Treaty Collection database, Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat, <http://treaties.un.org/>.

² The following abbreviations have been used for this document:

ICERD	International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
OP-ICESCR	Optional Protocol to ICESCR
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICCPR-OP 1	Optional Protocol to ICCPR
ICCPR-OP 2	Second Optional Protocol to ICCPR, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
OP-CEDAW	Optional Protocol to CEDAW
CAT	Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
OP-CAT	Optional Protocol to CAT
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child
OP-CRC-AC	Optional Protocol to CRC on the involvement of children in armed conflict
OP-CRC-SC	Optional Protocol to CRC on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography
ICRMW	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
OP-CRPD	Optional Protocol to Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
CED	International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance

³ Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

⁴ 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol, 1954 Convention relating to the status of Stateless Persons and 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness.

⁵ Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field (First Convention); Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of Wounded, Sick and Shipwrecked Members of Armed Forces at Sea (Second Convention); Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War (Third Convention); Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War (Fourth Convention); Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I); Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of Non-International Armed Conflicts (Protocol II); Protocol additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Adoption of an Additional Distinctive Emblem (Protocol III). For the official status of ratifications, see Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, at www.eda.admin.ch/eda/fr/home/topics/intla/intrea/chdep/warvic.html.

⁶ International Labour Organization Convention No. 29 concerning Forced or Compulsory Labour; Convention No. 105 concerning the Abolition of Forced Labour, Convention No. 87 concerning Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organize; Convention No. 98 concerning the Application of the Principles of the Right to Organize and to Bargain Collectively; Convention No. 100 concerning Equal Remuneration for Men and Women Workers for Work of Equal Value; Convention No. 111 concerning Discrimination in Respect of Employment and Occupation; Convention No. 138 concerning Minimum Age for Admission to Employment; Convention No. 182 concerning the Prohibition and Immediate Action for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour.

⁷ Concluding observations of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC/C/BOL/CO/4), para. 89.

⁸ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 10.

⁹ Concluding observations of the Committee on the protection of the rights of all migrant workers and members of their families (CMW/C/BOL/CO/1), paras. 12 and 16.

¹⁰ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 3 (a).

¹¹ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 2.

¹² UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 1, available at <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/Documentation.aspx>.

¹³ A/HRC/7/5/Add.2, para. 29.

¹⁴ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 3.

¹⁵ Concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4), paras. 22-23.

¹⁶ A/HRC/11/11, para. 82.

¹⁷ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, paras. 7-8.

¹⁸ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 9; UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 5.

¹⁹ A/HRC/7/5/Add.2, para.59 (b).

²⁰ For the list of national human rights institutions with accreditation status granted by the International Coordinating Committee of National Institutions for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (ICC), see A/HRC/10/55, annex 1.

²¹ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 3.

²² CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 9; see also UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 2.

²³ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 14.

²⁴ Ibid., para. 11.

²⁵ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 4.

²⁶ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 5.

²⁷ UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 2.

²⁸ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 11.

²⁹ A/HRC/11/11, para. 93.

³⁰ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, paras. 60 – 61; see also UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 4.

³¹ The following abbreviations have been used for this document:

CERD	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
CESCR	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
HR Committee	Human Rights Committee
CEDAW	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
CAT	Committee against Torture
CRC	Committee on the Rights of the Child
CMW	Committee on Migrant Workers

³² A/HRC/6/15/Add.2.

³³ A/HRC/4/30/Add.2 and A/HRC/7/5/Add.2.

³⁴ E/CN.4/2003/10.

³⁵ E/CN.4/2002/55.

³⁶ A/HRC/11/11, para. 3.

³⁷ The questionnaires included in this section are those which have been reflected in an official report by a special procedure mandate-holder.

³⁸ See (a) report of the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children (E/CN.4/2006/62) and the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (E/CN.4/2006/67), joint questionnaire on the relationship between trafficking and the demand for commercial sexual exploitation sent in July 2005; (b) report of the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (A/HRC/4/31), questionnaire on the sale of children's organs sent in July 2006; (c) report of the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children (A/HRC/4/23), questionnaire on issues related to forced marriages and trafficking in persons sent in 2006; (d) report of the Special Rapporteur on the

human rights of migrants (A/HRC/4/24), questionnaire on the impact of certain laws and administrative measures on migrants sent in 2006; (e) report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education (A/HRC/4/29), questionnaire on the right to education of persons with disabilities sent in 2006; (f) report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises (A/HRC/4/35/Add.3), questionnaire on human rights policies and management practices; (g) report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people (A/HRC/6/15), questionnaire on the human rights of indigenous people sent in August 2007; (h) report of the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (A/HRC/7/8), questionnaire on assistance and rehabilitation programmes for child victims of sexual exploitation sent in July 2007; (i) report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education (A/HRC/8/10), questionnaire on the right to education in emergency situations sent in 2007; (j) report on the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children (A/HRC/10/16 and Corr.1), questionnaire on trafficking in persons, especially women and children; (k) report of the independent expert on the question of human rights and extreme poverty to the eleventh session of the Council (June 2009) (A/HRC/11/9), questionnaire on Cash Transfer Programmes, sent in October 2008; (l) report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education sent in June 2009 (A/HRC/11/8), questionnaire on the right to education for persons in detention; (m) report of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, (June 2009) (A/HRC/11/6), questionnaire on violence against women and political economy; (n) report of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences (A/HRC/12/21), questionnaire on national legislation and initiatives addressing the issue of bonded labour; (o) report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to food to the twelfth session of the Council (A/HRC/12/31), questionnaire on world food and nutrition security; (p) report of the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (A/HRC/12/23), questionnaire on measures to prevent and combat online child pornography.

³⁹ The questionnaire on the human rights of indigenous people and the questionnaire on political economy and violence against women.

⁴⁰ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, paras. 1-2.

⁴¹ United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, 2008 Report on Activities and Results, p. 132.

⁴² Ibid., p. 131.

⁴³ Ibid., p. 131.

⁴⁴ UN Press release, 14 February 2007.

⁴⁵ CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4, paras. 7-8.

⁴⁶ Ibid., para. 18.

⁴⁷ Concluding observations of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/C.12/BOL/CO/2), para.29.

⁴⁸ A/HRC/11/11, para. 65.

⁴⁹ Ibid., para. 68.

⁵⁰ Concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD/C/63/CO/2), para. 12; see also A/HRC/11/11, para. 94.

⁵¹ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, Section IV, Recommendations.

⁵² A/HRC/11/11, para. 94.

⁵³ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 8.

⁵⁴ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, para. 54.

⁵⁵ CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 14.

⁵⁶ CERD/C/63/CO/2, para. 15.

⁵⁷ CMW/C/BOL/CO/1, para. 21.

⁵⁸ E/CN.4/2006/56 and Corr.1, para. 108

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- ⁶¹ Informe de prensa de la OACNUDH en Bolivia, 10 de septiembre 2009.
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- ⁶⁴ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 38.
- ⁶⁵ United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, 2008 Report on Activities and Results, p. 132.
- ⁶⁶ A/56/44, para. 95 (f).
- ⁶⁷ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, para. 30.
- ⁶⁸ A/HRC/7/5/Add.2, para. 55.
- ⁶⁹ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 65; see also UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 2.
- ⁷⁰ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, para. 33.
- ⁷¹ CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 24.
- ⁷² UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 7.
- ⁷³ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 49.
- ⁷⁴ *ibid.*, para. 41.
- ⁷⁵ *Ibid.*, para. 79; see also CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 26; UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 4.
- ⁷⁶ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 80; see also CMW/C/BOL/CO/1, paras. 41-42 and CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4, paras. 26-27.
- ⁷⁷ ILO Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations, Individual Observation concerning Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182), 2009, Geneva, doc. No. (ILOLEX) 062009BOL182, para. 4.
- ⁷⁸ CRC/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 74; see also E/C.12/BOL/CO/2, para. 27(d); and UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 4.
- ⁷⁹ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, paras. 55-56.
- ⁸⁰ A/HRC/11/11, para. 97.
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- ⁸³ United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Mission to Bolivia, 2009, New York, pp. 31-40, available at www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii/documents/UNPFII_Mission_Report_Bolivia_ES.pdf.
- ⁸⁴ A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, Section IV. Recommendations.
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- ⁸⁶ *Ibid.*, para. 31.
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- ⁹⁰ Comunicados de prensa de la OACNUDH en Bolivia, 28 de febrero 2008 and 19 de Noviembre 2008.
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- ⁹⁴ UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 5.
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- ⁹⁶ UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 2.

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⁹⁹ A/HRC/7/28/Add.1, paras.132-135; E/CN.4/2006/55/Add.1, paras. 91 and 94 (See also E/CN.4/2006/95/Add.1 and Corr.1 and 2, paras.56 and 58); and E/CN.4/2006/78/Add.1, para.14 (See also E/CN.4/2006/55/Add.1, para.88; E/CN.4/2004/60/Add.1, para.13; E/CN.4/2006/52/Add.1 and Corr.1, para.27; and E/CN.4/2006/95/Add.1 and Corr.1 and 2, paras.55 and 57).

¹⁰⁰ A/HRC/11/11, para. 99; see also A/HRC/10/31/Add.2, para. 101.

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¹⁰⁵ United Nations Statistics Division coordinated data and analyses, available at: <http://mdgs.un.org/unsd/mdg>.

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¹⁰⁷ CEDAW/C/BOL/CO/4, para. 34.

¹⁰⁸ E/C.12/BOL/CO/2, para. 14 (b).

¹⁰⁹ Ibid., para. 17.

¹¹⁰ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 7.

¹¹¹ Ibid., p. 10.

¹¹² E/C.12/BOL/CO/2, para. 27 (e)

¹¹³ Ibid., para. 30.

¹¹⁴ ILO Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations, Individual Observation concerning Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138), 2009, Geneva, doc. No. (ILOLEX) 062009BOL138, para. 3; see also UNICEF submission to the UPR on Bolivia, p. 4.

¹¹⁵ UNCT Bolivia submission to the UPR, p. 1.

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- ¹⁵³ *Ibid.*, para. 44.
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¹⁶⁷ Ibid., para. 82 (h).

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