

**JAMAICA**

**SUBMISSION FROM THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION  
ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSAL  
PERIODIC REVIEW**

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**I. TABLE OF RATIFICATION OF INTER-AMERICAN TREATIES BY JAMAICA**

	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Ratification Accession</b>	<b>/ Deposit</b>
American Convention on Human Rights	09/16/77	07/19/78	08/07/78 RA
Inter-American Convention to Prevent and Punish Torture	-	-	-
Additional Protocol to the American Convention on Human Rights in the Area of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, "Protocol of San Salvador"	-	-	-
Protocol to the American Convention on Human Rights to Abolish the Death Penalty	-	-	-
Inter-American Convention on the Prevention, Punishment and Eradication of Violence Against Women, "Convention of Belém do Pará"	12/14/05	11/11/05	12/14/05 RA
Inter-American Convention on Forced Disappearance of Persons	-	-	-
Inter-American Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Persons with Disabilities	06/08/99	-	-
Inter-American Convention Against Racism, Racial Discrimination and Related Forms of Intolerance	-	-	-
Inter-American Convention Against All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance	-	-	-

**II. COUNTRY REPORTS (Since 2011)**

Report on the Situation of Human Rights in Jamaica, OEA/Ser.L/V/II.144 Doc. 12, August 10, 2012. Available at: <http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/docs/pdf/jamaica2012eng.pdf>

**III. THEMATIC REPORTS (Since 2011)**

The Report on the Situation of Human Rights in Jamaica contains information regarding the rights of persons deprived of liberty, women, children, LGBTI persons, and persons with disabilities.

**IV. ADMISSIBILITY REPORTS (Since 2011)**

None

**V. REPORT ON THE MERITS (Since 2011)**

None

**VI. CASES SUBMITTED TO THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT (Since 2011)**

The State of Jamaica has not recognized the jurisdiction of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

**VII. JUDGMENTS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS (Since 2011)**

The State of Jamaica has not recognized the jurisdiction of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

**VIII. PRESS RELEASES (Since 2011)**

- 82/12 – IACHR Condemns Murder of Two Gay Men in Jamaica. Washington D.C., July 9, 2012. Available at: [http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/media\\_center/PReleases/2012/082.asp](http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/media_center/PReleases/2012/082.asp)
- 107/12 – IACHR Regrets the Murder of Clover Graham in Jamaica. Washington D.C., August 24, 2012. Available at: [http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/media\\_center/PReleases/2012/107.asp](http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/media_center/PReleases/2012/107.asp)
- 1/13 – IACHR Publishes Report on Human Rights in Jamaica. Washington D.C., January 3, 2013. Available at: [http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/media\\_center/PReleases/2013/001.asp](http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/media_center/PReleases/2013/001.asp)
- R85/13 – Office of the Special Rapporteur for Freedom of Expression Commends Jamaica’s Recent Legislative Reform Regarding Freedom of Expression. Washington D.C., November 11, 2013. Available at: <http://www.oas.org/en/iachr/expression/showarticle.asp?artID=934&IID=1>