RATIFICATION BY ASIAN COUNTRIES

UN & ILO CONVENTIONS RELEVANT TO MIGRANTS

Compiled by: Rex Varona			Other UN Conventions Relevant to Migrants									
As of 9 July 2013			relevant	relevant	relevant	relevant	relevant	relevant	relevant	relevant	relevant	relevant
Country (Asia)	**Sub-region**	**Y**	**Slavery (1926); amended 1953**	**Supplem conv: slavery (1956)**	**Trafficking (1950)**	**Trafficking FP (1950)**	**CATOC (2000)**	**CATOC PT (2000)**	**CATOC PS (2000)**	**Refugee (1951)**	**Refugee Prot (1967)**	**Stateless persons (1954)**
Mongolia	EA		a: 12 Jul 1955	a: 17 Nov 1964	r: 19 Sep 1952	r: 19 Sep 1952	r: 28 May 2002	r: 28 May 2002	r: 28 May 2002	a: 22 Jul 1981	a: 22 Jul 1981	r: 22 Sep 2011
China - Hong Kong SAR	EA	y	s: 9 Dec 1953	r: 6 Jan 1958			r: 27 May 2004	r: 14 Sep 2005	r: 27 May 2004	a: 22 Jan 1954	a: 13 Dec 1973	a: 13 Dec 1973
Japan	EA						a: 9 Nov 2009	a: 9 Nov 2009	a: 9 Nov 2009	a: 7 May 2003	a: 7 May 2003	
China - Macao SAR	EA		a: 20 Dec 1968	a: 20 Dec 1968			a: 27 Jun 2008	a: 27 Jun 2008	a: 27 Jun 2008			
Rep. of Korea (South)	EA		a: 21 Mar 1958	r: 21 Mar 1958	a: 15 Apr 1958	a: 7 Aug 1958	r: 22 Sep 2006	s: 13 Dec 2000	s: 13 Dec 2000			
China	EA	y	s: 7 Jan 1985	a: 5 Feb 1985	a: 11 Jan 1985		a: 13 Jul 2011					
DPR of Korea (North)	EA			a: 12 Jun 1957	s: 27 Sep 2004	s: 27 Sep 2004	r: 12 Dec 2005	r: 2 Jul 2007	r: 12 Dec 2005	a: 15 Oct 1992	a: 15 Oct 1992	
Australia	PAC						a: 4 Feb 2013					
New Zealand	PAC		s: 16 Dec 1953	a: 26 Apr 1962			r: 19 Jul 2002	r: 19 Jul 2002	r: 19 Jul 2002	a: 30 Jun 1960	a: 6 Aug 1973	
Sri Lanka	SA				s: 25 Sep 2003	s: 25 Sep 2003	r: 20 Apr 2009	r: 28 Sep 2009	r: 28 Sep 2009			
Bangladesh	SA		s: 12 Sep 1955	r: 23 Oct 1957	a: 28 Dec 1950	a: 28 Dec 1950	r: 27 Dec 2006	r: 23 Jul 2008		r: 1 Oct 1954	a: 14 Jun 1968	r: 23 Dec 1958
Maldives	SA		a: 7 Jan 1963	a: 7 Jan 1963	a: 10 Dec 2002		r: 23 Dec 2011					
Nepal	SA		s: 4 Aug 1954	a: 17 Apr 1958	a: 12 Jun 1959	a: 12 Jun 1959	r: 8 Apr 2009	r: 8 Apr 2009	r: 8 Apr 2009			
Pakistan	SA		*applies (as notified by UK, and subsequently, China); 10 Jun 1999	*applies (as notified by UK, and subsequently, China); 10 Jun 1999			*applies; notified 27 Sep 2006					*applies (as notified by UK and subsequently, China); 10 Jun 1997

Afghanistan	SA				a: 1 May 1958	a: 1 May 1958	s: 12 Dec 2000	s: 9 Dec 2002	s: 9 Dec 2002	a: 3 Oct 1981	a: 1 Jan 1982	
India	SA		a: 30 Sep 1955	r: 20 Mar 1958	r: 11 Jul 1952	s: 21 Mar 1950	r: 13 Jan 2010					
Philippines	SEA	y		*applies (as notified by Portugal, and subsequently, China)	*applies (as notified by Portugal, and subsequently, China)		*applies	*applies, as notified by China to the UN		*applies with reservations made by china	*applies with reservations made by china	
Timor Leste	SEA		a: 28 May 1963	a: 18 Jan 1963	a: 20 Nov 1968	a: 20 Nov 1968	r: 12 May 2006	a: 12 May 2006	a: 12 May 2006			
Cambodia	SEA						r: 5 Oct 2005	r: 5 Oct 2005	r: 5 Oct 2005			
Indonesia	SEA				a: 13 Feb 1962	a: 13 Feb 1962	s: 13 Dec 2000	s: 13 Dec 2000	s: 13 Dec 2000	a: 3 Dec 1992	a: 3 Dec 1992	a: 22 Aug 1962
Viet Nam	SEA		a: 14 Aug 1956				r: 8 Jun 2012	a: 8 Jun 2012				
Thailand	SEA		s: 23 May 1955	r: 30 Sep 1963	a: 22 Sep 1955		a: 17 Mar 2008	a: 9 Feb 2009	a: 9 Feb 2009			
Lao People's DR	SEA		a: 5 May 1959	a: 27 Sep 1957	a: 13 Apr 1976		r: 22 May 2009	a: 11 Jun 2009				
Singapore	SEA						s: 13 Dec 2000	s: 18 Dec 2001	s: 18 Dec 2001			
Malaysia	SEA		s: 16 Aug 1954	a: 16 Nov 1966	a: 21 May 1985		r: 14 Dec 2000			a: 30 Aug 2005	a: 30 Aug 2005	
Myanmar	SEA		a: 27 Mar 1990	a: 27 Mar 1990			a: 7 Jun 2004	a: 7 Jun 2004	a: 7 Jun 2004			
Brunei Darussalam	SEA						r: 23 Sep 2003	a: 8 Feb 2010		a: 24 Sep 1982	a: 24 Sep 1982	
Israel	WA		s: 12 Mar 1954	r: 23 Jun 1960	r: 9 Jan 1953	r: 9 Jan 1953	r: 5 May 2011	r: 5 May 2011	r: 5 May 2011			
Syria	WA			a: 9 Sep 1957	a: 14 Apr 1978		a: 26 Sep 2003	a: 26 Sep 2003	a: 26 Sep 2003			
Kuwait	WA											
Lebanon	WA			a: 30 Dec 1959	s: 16 Jul 1953	s: 16 Jul 1953	s: 12 Dec 2000			a: 28 Jul 1976	a: 28 Jul 1976	
Iraq	WA			rd: 28 Mar 1972	a: 26 Oct 1966		r: 28 Aug 2007					
Jordan	WA						a: 13 May 2005	a: 13 May 2005	a: 13 May 2005			
Bahrain	WA						a: 10 Mar 2008	a: 29 May 2009				
Iran	WA		a: 5 Jul 1973	a: 5 Jul 1973			r: 18 Jan 2005	r: 20 Jul 2007	r: 20 Jul 2007			

Oman	WA			a: 18 Nov 1957			r: 24 Sep 2004	a: 26 Feb 2009				
Qatar	WA		s: 29 Apr 1957		s: 14 Mar 1956	s: 14 Mar 1956	a: 30 Mar 2004	a: 30 Mar 2004	a: 30 Mar 2004			
Saudi Arabia	WA						r: 7 May 2007	a: 21 Jan 2009				
UAE	WA						a: 25 Mar 2008					
Total: ratify/succeed (Asia, above)				**7**	**3**	**2**	**21**	**10**	**9**	**1**		**2**
Total: accede (Asia, above)			**10**	**15**	**13**	**6**	**11**	**14**	**8**	**10**	**11**	**2**
Total: sign (Asia, above)			**9**		**4**	**5**	**4**	**4**	**4**			
TOTAL States-Parties (all countries)			**99**	**123**	**82**	**41**	**176**	**156**	**137**	**145**	**146**	**77**
TOTAL signatories (all countries)			*****	**35**	**25**	**26**	**147**	**117**	**112**	**19**		**23**
Asia as % total States-parties			**10%**	**18%**	**20%**	**20%**	**18%**	**15%**	**12%**	**8%**	**8%**	**5%**
Asia as % total signatories			*****		**16%**	**19%**	**3%**	**3%**	**4%**		**#DIV/0!**	
Compare (G8 outside Asia):												
Canada	G8		s: 17 Dec 1953	r: 10 Jan 1963			r: 13 May 2002	r: 13 May 2002	r: 13 May 2002	a: 4 Jun 1969	a: 4 Jun 1969	
EU	G8						AA: 21 May 2004	AA: 6 Sep 2006	AA: 6 Sep 2006			
Germany	G8		s: 29 May 1973	r: 14 Jan 1959			r: 14 Jun 2006	r: 14 Jun 2006	r: 14 Jun 2006	r: 1 Dec 1953	a: 5 Nov 1969	r: 26 Oct 1976
Russia	G8		a: 8 Aug 1956	r: 12 Apr 1957	a: 11 Aug 1954	a: 11 Aug 1954	r: 26 May 2004	r: 26 May 2004	r: 26 May 2004	a: 2 Feb 1993	a: 2 Feb 1993	
UK	G8		s: 7 Dec 1953	r: 30 Apr 1957			r: 9 Feb 2006	r: 9 Feb 2006	r: 9 Feb 2006	r: 11 Mar 1954	a: 4 Sep 1968	r: 16 Apr 1959
US	G8		s: 7 Mar 1956	a: 6 Dec 1967			r: 3 Nov 2005	r: 3 Nov 2005	r: 3 Nov 2005		a: 1 Nov 1968	

Marked instruments (green highlight) constitute the "Migrants' Bill of Rights", as declared by MFA.

r=ratify a=accede s=sign (not yet ratify) rd=succeed x=denounce (blanked out, below) c=formal confirmation / A=approve / AA=accept (for eco/trade blocs eg EU)

rd = succeed; "r" so that will be counted in totals as "ratified"

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