

Annex A

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Many of the documents referred to in the chapters in this compilation are available in both hard copy and electronic format (including on the Internet). The following list of sources and resources is intended to provide an indication of some of the principal sources of information, and does not purport to be exhaustive.

GENERAL GUIDES TO SOURCE MATERIAL

Frank Newman and David Weissbrodt, *Selected International Human Rights Instruments and Bibliography for Research on International Human Rights Law* (Cincinnati, Anderson Publishing Co, 2nd ed 1996) (supplement to Frank Newman and David Weissbrodt, *International Human Rights: Law, Policy and Process*, 2nd ed 1996): contains a detailed listing of human rights materials, including a good guide to on-line sources.

Rebecca Cook and Valerie Oosterveld, "A Select Bibliography of Women's Human Rights", (1995) 44 *American University Law Review* 1429–1471 [This bibliography is updated and made available on-line through the Internet by the Bora Laskin Law Library at the University of Toronto. The URL is: http://www.law.utoronto.ca/pubs/h_rghts.htm

United Nations, Centre for Human Rights, *Human Rights on CD-ROM: Bibliographical database for United Nations documents and publications 1980–1994* (Geneva, United Nations, 1995)

Women, Law & Development International and Human Rights Watch/Women's Rights Project, *Women's Human Rights Step by Step: A Practical Guide to Using International Human Rights Law and Mechanisms to Defend Women's Human Rights* (Washington, DC, Women, Law & Development International, 1997) contains a list of useful resources relating to women's human rights. For details, see <http://www.wld.org> or contact WLDI on email wld@wld.org or fax (202) 463 7480

COLLECTIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS

United Nations, *Human Rights: A Compilation of International Instruments* (New York, United Nations 1993), 2 vols: contains human rights instruments (treaties as well as other instruments) adopted by United Nations bodies

United Nations, *The United Nations and Human Rights 1945–1995*, The United Nations Blue Books Series, vol VII (New York, United Nations, 1995) contains many important United Nations documents, including the major treaties and the Vienna Declaration and Programme for Action

United Nations, *The United Nations and the Advancement of Women 1945–1996*, The United Nations Blue Books Series, vol VI (New York, United Nations, rev ed 1996) contains many important United Nations documents; the revised edition of 1996 also contains the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action

Council of Europe, *Human Rights in International Law* (Brussels, Council of Europe Press, 1995) contains human rights treaties adopted by the United Nations bodies and regional organisations, including the Council of Europe, the Organization of American States, the Organization of African Unity and the Council on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

Organization of American States, *Basic Documents Pertaining to Human Rights in the Inter-American System (Updated to May 1996)* (Washington, DC, General Secretariat, Organization of American States, 1996), contains human rights treaties adopted by the Organization of American States, with information about signatures and ratifications.

ELECTRONIC/ON-LINE RESOURCES

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, *Refworld* (Geneva, UNHCR)

This is a CD-ROM issued every six months to subscribers. In addition to material related to refugees, it contains a wealth of general human rights material, including the general comments and recommendations of the treaty bodies, recent documents of the Commission on Human Rights (including the reports of thematic rapporteurs such as the Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women) and Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities. Part of this material, as well as other material, is also available at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees website: <http://www.unhcr.ch/>

United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights website
<http://www.unhchr.ch/>

University of Minnesota Human Rights Library

This contains a wealth of United Nations and regional human rights material. In addition to the texts of the major international and regional treaties, it contains the general comments and general recommendations of the treaty bodies, and the decisions and views of the Human Rights Committee under the first Optional Protocol since the forty-third session. <http://www.umn.edu/humanrts/>

United Nations website

This contains general information as well as full texts of international treaties deposited with the United Nations. <http://www.un.org>

UNICEF website

This includes information on the Convention on the Rights of the Child. <http://www.unicef.org>

United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women website

This contains material relating to the work of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the Commission on the Status of Women <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw>

Council of Europe website

This contains general information on the Council of Europe <http://www.coe.fr/>
For information about the European Court of Human Rights in particular, including its judgments: <http://www.dhcour.coe.fr/>

Organization of American States website

This contains general information on the Organization of American States <http://www.oas.org/>
For the decisions of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, see this site and also the University of Minnesota Human Rights Library (above).

International Labour Organisation ILOLEX CD-ROM

This is a CD-ROM issued to subscribers and providing the texts of ILO Conventions and Recommendations.

For general information, the status of ILO Conventions, and ILO documents see the ILO website: <http://www.ilo.org>

Commonwealth Secretariat website

This contains information and documents relating to the work of the Commonwealth Secretariat, including the texts of declarations and press releases of meetings <http://www.thecommonwealth.org>

Caribbean Community (CARICOM) website

This contains information on CARICOM and its policies <http://www.caricom.org>