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CAT Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment

or Punishment

CEDAW Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

CERD International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial

Discrimination

CFNHRI Commonwealth Forum of National Human Rights Institutions

CRC Convention on the Rights of the Child

CRPD Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

HRC Human Rights Council (United Nations)

HRU Human Rights Unit (Commonwealth Secretariat)

ICCPR International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

ICESCR International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

MWC International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant

Workers and Members of Their Families

NAP National Action Plan

NGO non-governmental organisation

NHRI national human rights institution

OHCHR Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

UDHR Universal Declaration of Human Rights

UK United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

UN United Nations

UPR Universal Periodic Review

VCLT Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties