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Status of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide

Report of the Secretary-General**

1. The General Assembly, by its resolution 260 A (III) of 9 December 1948, adopted and opened for signature, ratification or accession the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide. The Convention entered into force on 12 January 1951 in accordance with its article XIII.
2. As at 1 July 2000, the Convention had been ratified or acceded to by 130 States. In addition, three States had signed the Convention. The list of States that have signed, ratified, acceded or succeeded to the Convention, as well as the dates of their signature, ratification, accession or succession, is contained in the annex to the present report.

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** In accordance with General Assembly resolution 54/248, sect. C, para. 1, this report is being submitted on 18 July 2000 so as to include as much updated information as possible.

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