UNCAC Implementation Review Mechanism

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An entry point for research and reform on the protection of reporting persons

International Whistleblowing Research Network Conference
18-19 June 2015, Sarajevo

Current ratification status

UNCAC Signature and Ratification Status

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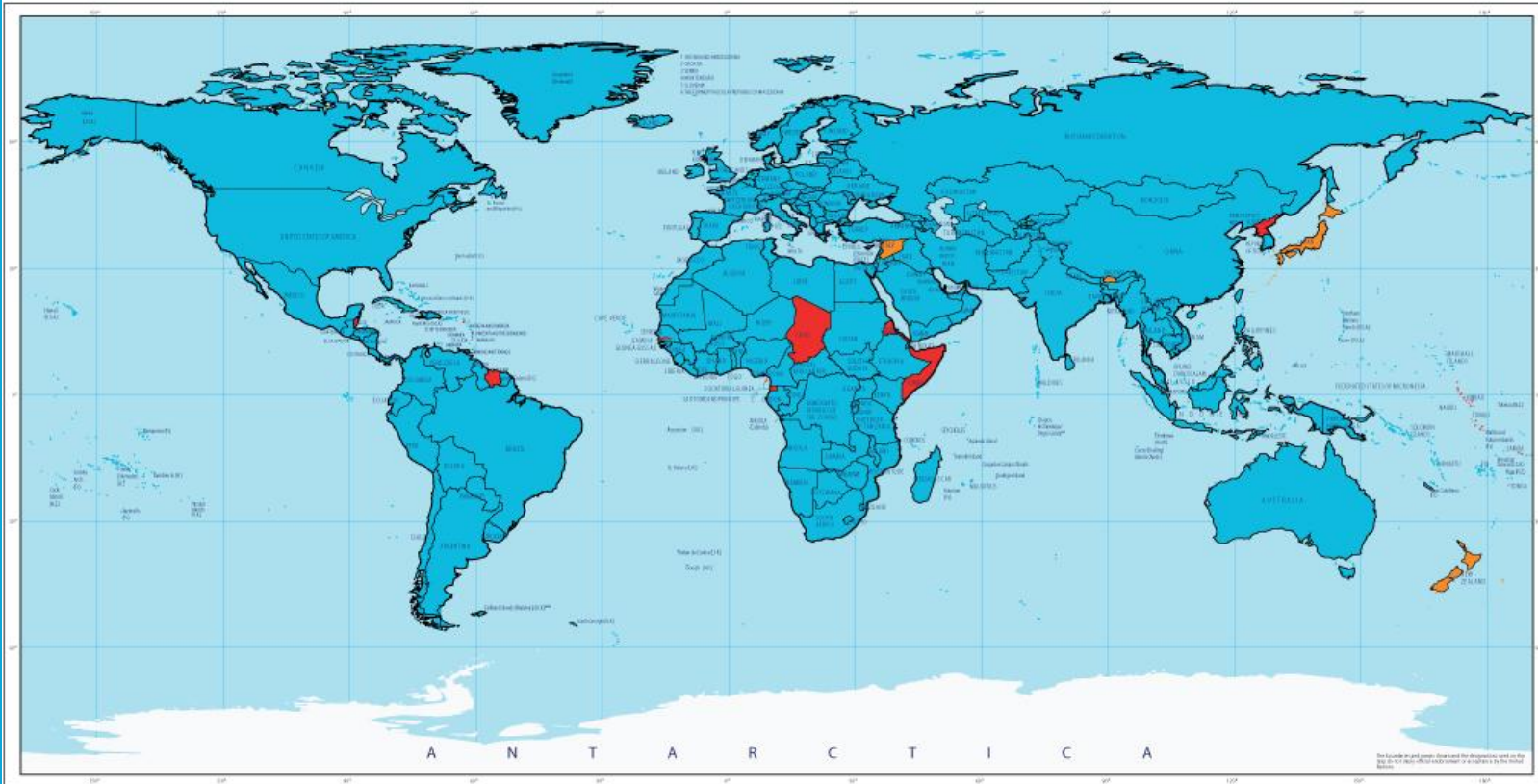
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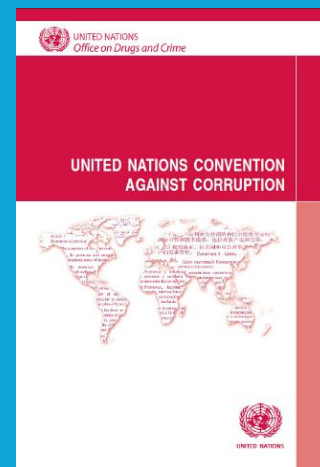
Facilitation of reports

Article 8, para.4:
Conduct of public officials
Consider establishing measures and systems to facilitate reporting by public officials of acts of corruption to appropriate authorities, when such acts come to their notice in the performance of their functions.

Article 13, para. 2:
Civil society
Provide access to anti-corruption bodies for reporting by the public of corruption incidents, including anonymously.

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Establishment of protection mechanisms

Article 32: Witness
Take appropriate measures to provide effective protection from potential retaliation or intimidation for witnesses, experts and victims insofar as they are witnesses, who give testimony concerning corruption offences and, as appropriate for their relatives and other persons close to them.

Article 33: Reporting person
Consider measures to provide protection against any unjustified treatment for any person who reports in good faith and on reasonable grounds to the competent authorities any facts concerning corruption offences.

Article 37, para 4:
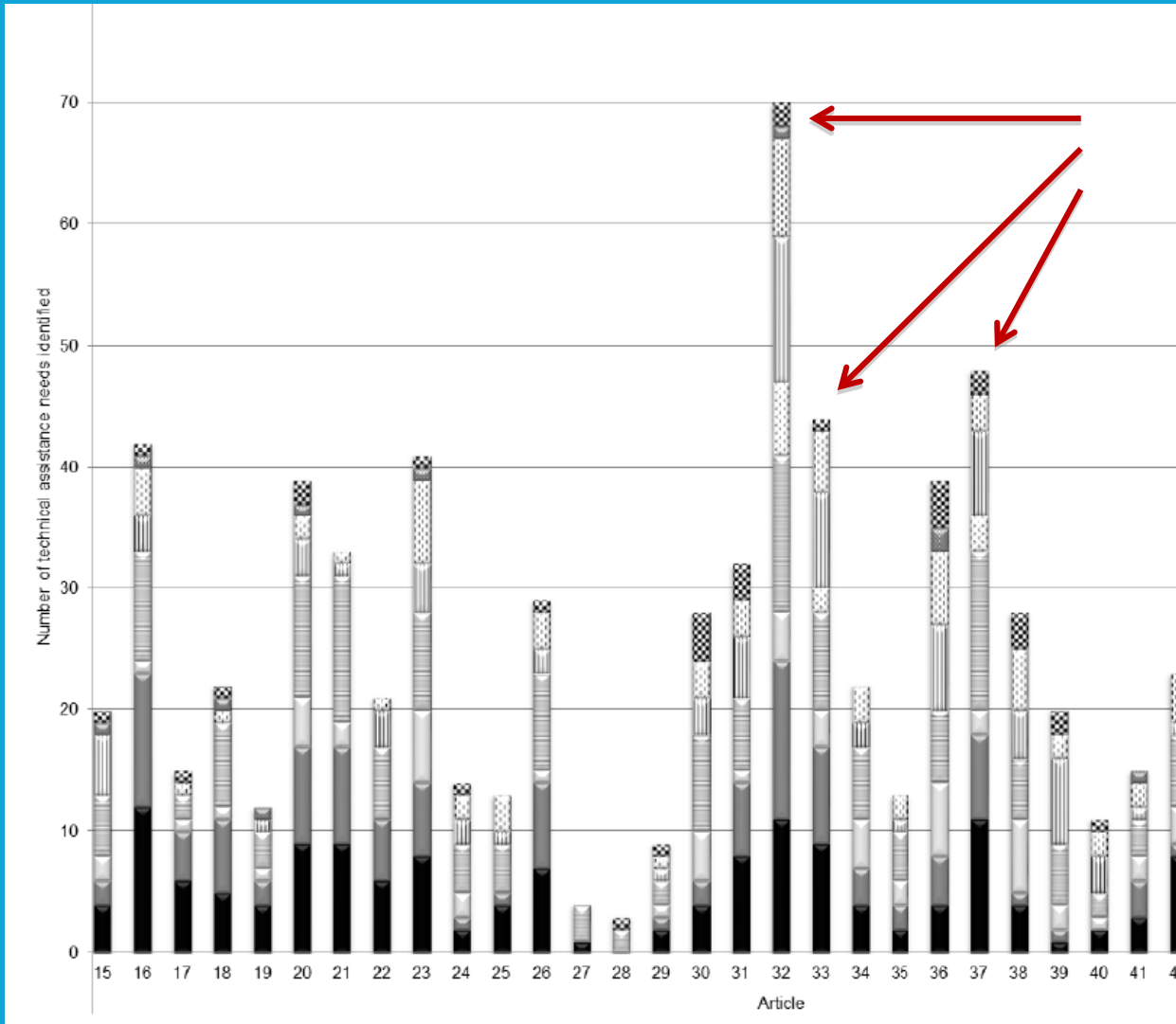Provide for cooperating offenders protection as foreseen under article 32.

1) Considerable variation among States parties

2) Multiple recommendations to adopt measures, to strenghten or broaden existing measures or to strengthen their implementation and monitoring

3) High interest in the subject and requests for technical assistance

Country profile pages:

http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/treaties/CAC/country-profile/index.html

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Technical assistance needs identified by States

Technical assistance needs that were identified most often by States parties:

- **Protection of witnesses**

- **Protection of cooperating offenders**

- **Protection of whistleblowers**

- Publication on the protection of reporting persons (*forthcoming*)

- Assistance in legislative drafting

- Awareness raising / differentiation (complaint systems, whistleblower protection, witness protection)

- Interlinkage with human rights issues

- Assistance in the actual implementation and monitoring

- New emerging topics and initiatives

- Research as backbone for policy decisions (e.g. about different approaches, effectiveness and results of systems)

- **UNCAC Academic Course**
Full academic course on the Convention, looking at the issue of corruption from a local, national and global perspective

- **Anti-Corruption Academic Initiative (ACAD)**
Collaborative academic project with over 100 participating universities; Creation of a menu of topics and exchange network for anti-corruption education

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Teaching Materials

Under this heading, you will find materials to help you teach anti-corruption studies. These materials are used by other anti-corruption educators who have graciously shared their work. It contains lectures, audio-visual tools and case studies to help in developing courses. If you would like to contribute please contact ronan.olaoire@unodc.org

Lectures

- American University's Washington College of Law, Lectures provided by Professor Keith Henderson
- Model UNCAC Course material
- Prof. Graycar - Australian National University - Undergrad course Corruption in our World. Outline
- Prof. Graycar - Australian National University - Undergrad course Corruption in our World. Timetable
- Prof. Juliet S. Sorensen - Northwestern University School of Law - Public Corruption and the Law, syllabus Fall 2013
- Prof. Pascale Dubois - Georgetown University Law Center - International Efforts to Combat Corruption - syllabus Spring 2014
- Prof. Pascale Dubois - Georgetown University Law Center - General Interest Bibliography "International Anti-Corruption: A Question of Pragmatism"
- Prof. Ugi Zvekic - School of Governance, LUISS Rome - Corruption Global Threat & Int. Responses

Case Studies and other tools

- TIGERS by Professor Keith Henderson of American University's Washington College of Law
- Lessons learned from teaching UNCAC course

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The ACAD Menu of Resources

On this site you will find the current version of the Menu of Resources developed by the group, containing 20 units covering a range of anti-corruption issues. In relation to each topic, the Group have brought together a selection of relevant resources including academic articles, case-studies and reports that can be used by academics and students in the development of their own anti-corruption courses and in support of their ongoing studies.

Introduction to Anti-corruption Studies

Defining Corruption I – Conceptual Considerations

Defining Corruption II – Concrete Offences

Terminology of corruption

Concepts and nature of corruption

Sources of Anti-Corruption Laws

Prevention of Corruption: Public Sector Governance

Prevention of Corruption: Corporate Governance

Prevention of Corruption: Civil Society and the Media

Anti-corruption measures and controls

Roles and Obligations of different actors

Measuring levels of corruption and assessing anti-corruption measures

International Cooperation: Extradition

International Cooperation: Mutual Legal Assistance

Asset Recovery

Roles and Obligations of Professions

Legal Advice and Counsel: Anti-corruption laws

Legal Advice and Counsel: Enterprise Governance and Compliance

Legal Advice and Counsel: Investigations and Litigation

Policy Implications and Conclusions

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