

United Nations Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women



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Where CEDAW Works

Although CEDAW is not binding on nations that have not ratified it, and although it has no authority to do so, the CEDAW committee still attempts to bully pro-life and pro-life nations into legalizing abortion, homosexuality, divorce and other immoral and harmful activities.

CEDAW represents the absolute worst of the imperialistic, domineering Western elitist attitude as it meddles in the affairs of every developing and developed nation in the world;

Africa: Algeria, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo DR, Congo Republic, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mayotte, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Reunion, Rwanda, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, St. Helena, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Western Sahara, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Asia: Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Georgia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Macao, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, North Korea, Pakistan, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam.

Caribbean: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Haiti, Jamaica, Martinique, Montserrat, Netherlands Antilles, Puerto Rico, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, and the United States Virgin Islands.

Eastern/Southern Europe: Albania, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine, Yugoslavia.

Latin America: Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Falkland Islands (Malvinas), French Guiana,

Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela.

[Middle East \(Western Asia\)](#): Bahrain, Cyprus, Gaza Strip, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Northern Cyprus, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Yemen.

[Oceania](#): American Samoa, Australia, Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Norfolk Island, Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis and Futuna Islands.

Activities of UNCEDAW

Introduction

The feminist-packed CEDAW committee is so irrationally dedicated to the concept of absolute equality that it has — with no authority to do so and with no support in the documents they quote — [ordered nations almost 300 times to legalize abortion, homosexuality and prostitution](#). To see an article on this atrocity, press the Control key and click [here](#). To see a detailed list of all of the instances where CEDAW has wrongly ordered nations to legalize abortion (as of 2015), press the Control key and click [here](#).

CEDAW has also [condemned nations for celebrating mothers and has even ordered some nations to reduce their protections of pregnant women in the name of equality!](#) This is typical behavior of people who

have little contact with the real world and who have been given great power to interfere in the lives of others. Not one member of the 23-member CEDAW committee has ever been pro-family or pro-life. But most of them are rich and childless women who think that they know better than the mothers of Latin America, Africa and Asia.

For an excellent set of talking points regarding CEDAW, press the Control key and click [here](#).

Overall CEDAW Strategy

In 2004, Partners for Law and Development (PLD) in New Delhi and the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) published "[CEDAW: Restoring Rights to Women](#)." This document, which was written for lawyers, outlines a detailed strategy for using CEDAW to re-tool the laws of developing nations in whatever way those in power wish to do. This strategy is based on a rights-based approach, which appeals to people's emotions, and shows how to sidestep and ignore the laws, customs and cultures of developing nations. To see this strategy guide, press the Control key and click [here](#).

Meddling, Busybody Rich Western Feminists

Just a few of CEDAW's meddlesome activities are listed below, by nation. Keep in mind that CEDAW has no actual power to enforce its orders; it just *pretends* that it has this power and hopes that the leadership of nations are weak and stupid enough to cave in.

In fact, the members of the CEDAW committee are so disconnected from reality that they even believe they have the power to order Muslim

nations to re-interpret the *Holy Koran* so that it obeys the CEDAW convention, as it did in Libya and Sri Lanka (see below for details).

- [Belarus](#) — In 2000, CEDAW condemned Belarus for celebrating Mothers' Day and criticized it for instituting the Mothers' Award because it "encourages women's traditional roles." CEDAW ordered Belarus to "review its occupational health and safety legislation and standards, with a view to **reducing** protective standards on women in general and pregnant women in particular" in the name of equality. Providing extra care for pregnant women was considered to "have a discriminatory effect."
- [China](#) — In 1999, the CEDAW Committee said that it was "concerned that prostitution...is illegal in China" and it "recommends the decriminalization of prostitution in China."
- [Colombia](#) — In 1999, CEDAW told Colombia that "the [CEDAW] committee believes that the restrictive abortion law constitutes a violation of the rights of women".
- [Croatia](#) — In 1998, CEDAW criticized Croatia for "the refusal, by some hospitals, to provide abortions on the basis of conscientious objection of doctors. The Committee considers this to be an infringement of women's reproductive rights." In other words, CEDAW believes that pro-life doctors should be forced to do abortions!
- [Czech Republic](#) — In 1998, CEDAW criticized the Czech Republic for "the increase in over-protective measures for pregnancy and motherhood" and told it that "the cultural glorification of women's family roles could exacerbate the negative impact of economic rationalization policies on women."

- [Ireland](#) — In 1999, CEDAW criticized the Irish constitution for “promoting the stereotypical view of the role of women as mothers and caregivers [since it] constitutes a serious impediment to the implementation of the Convention.” The CEDAW Committee also condemned Ireland for “the influence of the Church ...in attitudes and stereotypes but also in official state policy.”
- [Libya](#) — In 1994, CEDAW instructed Libya that “the interpretation of the Qur’an had to be reviewed in the light of the provisions of the Convention and the current social environment.”
- [Luxembourg](#) — In 2000, CEDAW complained to Luxembourg about its “stereotypical attitudes that tend to portray men as heads of households and breadwinners, and women primarily as mothers and homemakers.”
- [Mexico](#) — In 1998, CEDAW criticized Mexico for the “lack of access to easy and swift abortion.”
- [Russia](#) — In 2002, CEDAW ordered Russia to implement mandatory comprehensive sex education of all children, even those as young as five years old, and to ensure their easy access to birth control drugs and devices.
- [Slovenia](#) — In 1997, CEDAW criticized Slovenia for not having enough children “in formal day care.” Only 30 percent of children under three years old are in government-sponsored day care in Slovenia. In other words, CEDAW requires children to be brought up by the State, and not by their mothers. However, CEDAW praised Slovenia in the same year: “The Committee notes with satisfaction the inclusion of the right to abortion in the

Constitution."

- [Spain](#) — In 1999, CEDAW ordered Spain to implement mandatory comprehensive sex education of all children, even those as young as five years old, and to ensure their easy access to birth control drugs and devices.
 - [Sri Lanka](#) — in 2002, CEDAW reprimanded Sri Lanka, and said that "the Muslim personal law ... is discriminatory against women." It ordered the government of Sri Lanka to interpret "Islamic law in line with the [CEDAW] Convention."
 - [Uzbekistan](#) — In 2001, CEDAW ordered Uzbekistan to implement mandatory comprehensive sex education of all children, even those as young as five years old, and to ensure their easy access to birth control drugs and devices. The CEDAW Committee also "expressed concern that women's motherhood role was taking precedence over their professional and individual development" in Uzbekistan.
 - [Zimbabwe](#) — In 1999, CEDAW instructed Zimbabwe to "reappraise the law on abortion with a view to its liberalization."
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Publications by UNCEDAW

In 1996, Desiree Bernard gave a talk at a Belize conference entitled "Caribbean Conference on the Rights of the Child: Meeting the Post Ratification Challenge." The talk was called "[The Synergy of "Rights" Conventions.](#)" The abstract states that "A major factor hindering women's human rights has been cultural attitudes based on stereotypical beliefs on the role of women in society, which have resulted in women

being denied access to education, health care, property, employment, or involvement in decision-making. This report examines and compares some of the issues affecting the well-being and development of women and children addressed under specific articles of the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), and the Organization of American States' Inter-American Convention on the Prevention, Punishment, and Eradication of Violence Against Women." To see this talk, press the Control key and click [here](#).

- [To see CEDAW publications by topic, press the Control key and click here.](#)
 - [To see CEDAW publications by nation and region, press the Control key and click here.](#)
 - [To see CEDAW's official Session documents, press the Control key and click here.](#)
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Background on UNCEDAW

"CEDAW" is both "The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women" and "The Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women." The first of these is the document itself, which you can read by pressing the Control key and clicking [here](#), and the second is the massive United Nations bureaucracy that enforces the Convention's implementation on all the nations of the world.

Every three to five years, all of the nations of the world have an obligation to report to UNCEDAW their progress in implementing the Convention. In order to see what your country is doing in this area, visit the [UNCEDAW Web site](#).

The CEDAW Convention does not mention abortion. However, it is being used in attempts to force abortion on all of the pro-life nations of the world. This is done under the cover of "equality," which is what CEDAW is all about. This is typical of the population control/anti-life mentality; first, they trick nations into signing documents with legitimate goals, and then use the documents for purposes other than those for which they were originally intended.

CEDAW does mention "family planning" several times. According to United Nations and population control definitions, "family planning" does not include abortion. However, this is an easy obstacle to overcome, because the feminists who run various UN agencies see "equality" as their highest goal and, of course, "equality" must always include abortion.

CEDAW says that;

States Parties shall take all appropriate measures to eliminate discrimination against women in order to ensure to them equal rights with men in the field of education and in particular to ensure, on a basis of equality of men and women: ...Access to specific educational information to help to ensure the health and well-being of families, including information and advice on **family planning** [Part III, Article 10h].

States Parties shall take all appropriate measures to eliminate discrimination against women in the field of health care in order to ensure, on a basis of equality of men and women, access to health care services, including those related to **family planning** [Article 12, paragraph 1].

States Parties shall take all appropriate measures to eliminate discrimination against women in rural areas in order to ensure, on a basis of equality of men and women, that they participate in and benefit from rural development and, in particular, shall ensure to such women the right: ... To have access to adequate health care facilities, including information, counseling and services in **family planning** [Article 14(2)(b)].

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