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Status of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty: Signatories and Ratifiers

The Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) was opened for signature on September 24, 1996. President Bill Clinton was the first to sign the treaty that day; he was followed by the representatives of 70 other nations, including Britain, France, Russia, and China. To date, 165 states have signed and 93 have ratified the CTBT.

The treaty will formally enter into force after 44 designated "nuclear-capable states" have deposited their instruments of ratification with the secretary-general of the United Nations. Those 44 states include the five declared nuclear powers, India, Israel, Pakistan, and 36 other states that are recognized by the International Atomic Energy Agency as possessing nuclear power or research reactors. The near-term prospects for entry into force were dealt a severe blow October 13, 1999 when the U.S. Senate voted against ratification of the treaty, prompting harsh international criticism and raising fears that some states might resume nuclear testing.

Of the 44 specified nations, all except India, Pakistan, and North Korea have signed, but only 31 have ratified the treaty. Britain, France, and Russia are the only declared nuclear-weapon states to have formally ratified the CTBT. The following chart identifies the treaty's signatories and ratifiers as of June 6, 2002. States whose ratification is required for entry into force are highlighted below.

Country	Signature	Ratification
Albania	9/27/96	
Algeria	10/15/96	
Andorra	9/24/96	
Angola	9/27/96	
Antigua and Barbuda	4/16/97	
Argentina	9/24/96	12/4/98
Armenia	10/1/96	
Australia	9/24/96	7/9/98
Austria	9/24/96	3/13/98
Azerbaijan	7/28/97	2/2/99
Bahrain	9/24/96	
Bangladesh	10/24/96	3/8/00
Belarus	9/24/96	9/13/00
Belgium	9/24/96	6/29/99
Belize	11/14/01	
Benin	9/27/96	3/6/01
Bolivia	9/24/96	10/4/99
Bosnia-Herzegovina	9/24/96	
Brazil	9/24/96	7/24/98
Brunei Darussalem	1/22/97	
Bulgaria	9/24/96	9/29/99
Burkina Faso	9/27/96	4/17/02
Burundi	9/24/96	
Cambodia	9/26/96	11/10/00
Cameroon	11/16/01	
Canada	9/24/96	12/18/98
Cape Verde	10/1/96	
Central African Republic	12/19/01	
Chad	10/8/96	
Chile	9/24/96	7/12/00
China	9/24/96	

Country	Signature	Ratification
Colombia	9/24/96	
Comoros	12/12/96	
Congo	2/11/97	
Congo Republic	10/4/96	
Cook Islands	12/5/97	
Costa Rica	9/24/96	9/25/01
Cote d'Ivoire	9/25/96	
Croatia	9/24/96	3/2/01
Cyprus	9/24/96	
Czech Republic	11/12/96	9/11/97
Denmark	9/24/96	12/21/98
Djibouti	10/21/96	
Dominican Republic	10/3/96	
Ecuador	9/24/96	11/12/01
Egypt	10/14/96	
El Salvador	9/24/96	9/11/98
Equatorial Guinea	10/9/96	
Estonia	11/20/96	8/13/99
Ethiopia	9/25/96	
Fiji	9/24/96	10/10/96
Finland	9/24/96	1/15/99
France	9/24/96	4/6/98
Gabon	10/7/96	9/20/00
Georgia	9/24/96	
Germany	9/24/96	8/20/98
Ghana	10/3/96	
Greece	9/24/96	4/21/99
Grenada	10/10/96	8/19/98
Guatemala	9/20/99	
Guinea	10/3/96	
Guinea-Bissau	4/11/97	

Country	Signature	Ratification
Guyana	9/7/00	3/7/01
Haiti	9/24/96	
Holy See	9/24/96	7/18/01
Honduras	9/25/96	
Hungary	9/25/96	7/13/99
Iceland	9/24/96	6/26/00
Indonesia	9/24/96	
Iran	9/24/96	
Ireland	9/24/96	7/15/99
Israel	9/25/96	
Italy	9/24/96	2/1/99
Jamaica	11/11/96	11/13/01
Japan	9/24/96	7/8/97
Jordan	9/26/96	8/25/98
Kazakhstan	9/30/96	5/14/02
Kenya	11/14/96	11/30/00
Kiribati	9/7/00	9/7/00
Kuwait	9/24/96	
Kyrgyzstan	10/8/96	
Laos	7/30/97	10/5/00
Latvia	9/24/96	11/20/01
Lesotho	9/30/96	9/14/99
Liberia	10/1/96	
Libya	11/13/01	
Liechtenstein	9/27/96	
Lithuania	10/7/96	2/7/00
Luxembourg	9/24/96	5/26/99
Macedonia	10/29/98	3/14/00
Madagascar	10/9/96	
Malawi	10/9/96	
Malaysia	7/23/98	
Maldives	10/1/97	9/7/00
Mali	2/18/97	8/4/99
Malta	9/24/96	7/23/01
Marshall Islands	9/24/96	
Mauritania	9/24/96	
Mexico	9/24/96	10/5/99
Micronesia	9/24/96	7/25/97
Moldova	9/24/97	
Monaco	10/1/96	12/18/98
Mongolia	10/1/96	8/8/97
Morocco	9/24/96	4/17/00
Mozambique	9/26/96	
Myanmar (Burma)	9/25/96	
Namibia	9/24/96	6/29/01
Nauru	9/8/00	11/12/01
Nepal	10/8/96	
Netherlands	9/24/96	3/23/99
New Zealand	9/27/96	3/19/99
Nicaragua	9/24/96	12/5/00
Niger	10/3/96	

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Nigeria	9/8/00	9/27/01
Norway	9/24/96	7/15/99
Oman	9/23/99	
Panama	9/24/96	3/23/99
Papua New Guinea	9/25/96	
Paraguay	9/25/96	10/4/01
Peru	9/25/96	11/12/97
Philippines	9/24/96	2/23/01
Poland	9/24/96	5/25/99
Portugal	9/24/96	6/26/00
Qatar	9/24/96	3/3/97
Romania	9/24/96	10/5/99
Russia	9/24/96	6/30/00
St. Lucia	10/4/96	4/5/01
Samoa	10/9/96	
San Marino	10/7/96	3/12/02
Sao Tome and Principe	9/26/96	
Senegal	9/26/96	6/9/99
Seychelles	9/24/96	
Sierra Leone	9/8/00	9/17/01
Singapore	1/14/99	11/10/01
Slovakia	9/30/96	3/3/98
Slovenia	9/24/96	8/31/99
Solomon Islands	10/3/96	
South Africa	9/24/96	3/30/99
South Korea	9/24/96	9/24/99
Spain	9/24/96	7/31/98
Sri Lanka	10/24/96	
Suriname	1/14/97	
Swaziland	9/24/96	
Sweden	9/24/96	12/2/98
Switzerland	9/24/96	10/1/99
Tajikistan	10/7/96	6/10/98
Thailand	11/12/96	
Togo	10/2/96	
Tunisia	10/16/96	
Turkey	9/24/96	2/16/00
Turkmenistan	9/24/96	2/20/98
Uganda	11/7/96	3/14/01
Ukraine	9/27/96	2/23/01
United Arab Emirates	9/25/96	9/18/00
United Kingdom	9/24/96	4/6/98
United States	9/24/96	
Uruguay	9/24/96	9/21/01
Uzbekistan	10/3/96	5/29/97
Vanuatu	9/24/96	
Venezuela	10/3/96	5/13/02
Viet Nam	9/24/96	
Yemen	9/30/96	
Yugoslavia	6/8/01	
Zambia	12/3/96	
Zimbabwe	10/13/99	