

**First meeting of the Special Commission on the practical operation of the
 2007 Child Support Convention and on the 2007 Maintenance Obligations Protocol
 - June 2020 (tentative)**

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| Title | Questionnaire on the practical operation of the <i>Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance</i> | |
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| Mandate(s) | C&R No 28 of the March 2019 meeting of the Council on General Affairs and Policy | |
| Objective | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To seek information as to the implementation and practical operation of the 2007 Convention in Contracting Parties, including procedures that have been established to implement the Convention, the extent of co-operation between Contracting Parties, and the types of assistance provided to individuals; - To identify challenges or questions that have arisen and good practices regarding the practical operation of the 2007 Convention; and - To obtain views and comments on priority topics, including possible future work, for discussion at the upcoming meeting of the Special Commission. | |
| Action to be taken | For Approval <input type="checkbox"/> For Decision <input type="checkbox"/> For Information <input type="checkbox"/> For Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Annexes | n.a. | |
| Related documents | Prel. Doc. No 2 of August 2019 - Questionnaire on the practical operation of the <i>Protocol of 23 November 2007 on the Law Applicable to Maintenance Obligations</i> | |

Objectives of the Questionnaire

This Questionnaire is being circulated in preparation for a possible meeting of the Special Commission on the practical operation of the *HCCH Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance* (hereinafter, the “2007 Convention”) and the *HCCH Protocol of 23 November 2007 on the Law Applicable to Maintenance Obligations* (hereinafter, the “2007 Protocol”), tentatively to be held in The Hague in June 2020 (dates to be confirmed). The Questionnaire focuses on the 2007 Convention; another Questionnaire will focus on the 2007 Protocol.

This Questionnaire is addressed primarily to Contracting Parties to the 2007 Convention, but certain questions (so marked) are also addressed to non-Contracting Parties (*e.g.*, Contracting Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance concluded in New York on 20 June 1956 (hereinafter, the “1956 Convention”). The Questionnaire has the following broad objectives:

- a. To seek information as to the implementation and practical operation of the 2007 Convention in Contracting Parties, including procedures that have been established to implement the Convention, the extent of co-operation between Contracting Parties, and the types of assistance provided to individuals;
- b. To identify challenges or questions that have arisen and good practices regarding the practical operation of the 2007 Convention; and
- c. To obtain views and comments on priority topics, including possible future work, for discussion at the upcoming meeting of the Special Commission.

The Questionnaire is designed to facilitate an efficient exchange of information on these matters prior to the meeting of the Special Commission and assist with the drawing up of an agenda for the meeting.

Scope of the Questionnaire

The Questionnaire covers these topics:

- Statistics
- Operational issues
- Access to information
- Enforcement issues
- Feedback on the use of the mandatory and recommended forms
- Possible additional forms
- Country profile
- Possible additional tools
- Translation of documents and dissemination of information
- Training and training material
- Joining the 2007 Convention
- iSupport
- General

In considering the questions that follow, States may find it useful to refer in particular to the following resources:

- The text of the 2007 Convention¹

¹ The text of the 2007 Convention is available at: < <https://assets.hcch.net/docs/14e71887-0090-47a3-9c49-d438eb601b47.pdf> >.

- The Explanatory Report² (Borras and Degeling) on the 2007 Convention
- The Recommended Forms³ under the 2007 Convention
- The Practical Handbook for Case Workers⁴ under the 2007 Convention
- The Practical Handbook for Competent Authorities⁵ on the 2009 EU Maintenance Regulation, the 2007 Hague Child Support Convention and its Protocol
- The Country Profile⁶ for the 2007 Convention
- The Implementation Checklist⁷ for the 2007 Convention

Instructions for completion

The Questionnaire is being sent to Central Authorities as well as National and Contact Organs. Central Authorities asked to co-ordinate as appropriate between themselves and other competent authorities. For Contracting Parties to the Convention, Central Authorities are ultimately responsible for submitting the completed questionnaire to the Permanent Bureau (PB).

In order to allow the PB to extract parts of the Questionnaire for a compilation and analysis of the responses, please use **this Word Version** of the document, and please **do not return a PDF version** of the completed Questionnaire.

We kindly request that replies to the Questionnaire be sent to the PB by e-mail to < secretariat@hcch.net > **no later than 30 November 2019** with the following subject matter captioned in the heading of the e-mail: “[name of State] Response to the 2007 Convention Questionnaire – 2020 Special Commission”. Any questions concerning the Questionnaire may be directed to < secretariat@hcch.net >.

We intend, except where expressly asked not to do so, to place all replies to the Questionnaire on the HCCH website (www.hcch.net). Please therefore clearly identify any responses which you do not want to be placed on the website.

Thank you for your kind co-operation as the PB prepares for the meeting of the Special Commission in 2020.

² The Explanatory Report is available at: < <http://assets.hcch.net/docs/09cfaa7e-30c4-4262-84d3-daf9af6c2a84.pdf> >.

³ The 2007 Convention Recommended Forms are available at: < <https://assets.hcch.net/docs/7b1c5829-81a6-46f5-902e-d59b572dff8a.pdf> >.

⁴ The Practical Handbook for Case Workers on the 2007 Convention is available at: < <https://assets.hcch.net/docs/5f160c92-b560-4b7f-b64c-8423f56c6292.pdf> >.

⁵ The Practical Handbook for Competent Authorities on the 2009 EU Maintenance Regulation, the 2007 Hague Child Support Convention and its Protocol is available at: < <https://assets.hcch.net/docs/b4c58880-8e8a-41a4-a52e-6597e1a08b42.pdf> >.

⁶ The Country Profile for the 2007 Convention is available at: < <https://assets.hcch.net/docs/7a6a8da3-4a7f-4367-89d6-f96e1e32c299.pdf> >.

⁷ The Implementation Checklist for the 2007 Convention is available at: < <https://assets.hcch.net/docs/231f2415-e12b-4bd6-8f85-9f1fc25d2658.pdf> >.

**QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE PRACTICAL OPERATION OF THE
CONVENTION OF 23 NOVEMBER 2007 ON THE INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY
OF CHILD SUPPORT AND OTHER FORMS OF FAMILY MAINTENANCE**

Wherever your replies to this Questionnaire make reference to domestic legislation, rules, guidance or case law relating to the practical operation of the 2007 Convention, **please provide a copy of the referenced documentation** in (a) the original language and, (b) wherever possible, accompanied by a translation into English and / or French.

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| Name of State or territorial unit:^[1] | Norway |
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Please note:

- Contracting Parties to the 2007 Convention are requested to complete ALL sections below.
- Non-Contracting Parties to the 2007 Convention are requested to complete those sections marked with an asterisk (*).

1. Statistics under the 2007 Convention

1.1. How many active cases is your Central Authority handling at this moment under the 2007 Convention?

Outgoing cases:

20 cases for establishment and 180 cases for recognition and enforcement

Incoming cases:

73 cases (in addition to 22 from Finland and Sweden that will be handled under the Nordic convention)

1.2. How many new cases (outgoing and incoming) were added to your caseload under the 2007 Convention each year during the last three years?

Last year:

2018: About 200 incoming cases and about 50 outgoing cases

Prior year:

2017: About 150 incoming cases and about 60 outgoing cases

Prior year:

2016: About 150 incoming cases and about 20 outgoing cases

Please specify the reference period for these statistics, *i.e.*, whether a calendar or fiscal year, and if the latter, the starting and ending dates:

Calendar year

^[1] The term "State" in this Questionnaire includes a territorial unit, where relevant.

Fiscal year:
starting:

ending:

1.3. How many requests for specific measures (Art. 7) has your Central Authority handled during the past 12 months?

Outgoing requests for specific measures:

In total about 145 requests during the last 12 months. Of these about 60 has been submitted by NAVI as transmitting agency.

Incoming requests for specific measures:

120 requests received in the last 12 months

1.4. How many full-time employees (FTEs) are working in your Central Authority?

In total 27 (CA: 22 and NAVI (transmitting agency): 5)

1.5. Please identify the countries that are your State's main partners in international child support cases under the 2007 Convention:

Outgoing for establishment: USA

Incoming for recognition and enforcement: Poland, Germany, Lithuania, Latvia, Austria.

Outgoing for recognition and enforcement: UK and USA

2. Statistics under the 1956 Convention, regional instruments and bilateral arrangements*

2.1. How many active cases is your State handling at this moment under international instruments other than the 2007 Convention?

Outgoing cases:

NAVI: 1151 (these are cases that we have sent under the Nordic Convention, the Hague Convention of 1973 and a bilateral agreement with Canada for recognition and enforcement and are still under enforcement)

We have also sent a few cases to Ireland under the 1956 convention.

Incoming cases:

41 incoming cases for enforcement under the Nordic convention

Several hundred cases for establishment, but these are generally not sent or handled under an international instrument. Norway always has jurisdiction to establish maintenance if one of the parties lives here. Consequently we do not have proper statistics for incoming cases for establishment.

2.2. How many new cases (outgoing and incoming) were added to your caseload under international instruments other than the 2007 Convention each year during the last three years?

Last year:

2018: About 110 outgoing cases for enforcement and about 70 incoming cases for enforcement

Prior year:

2017: About 190 outgoing cases for enforcement and about 90 incoming cases for enforcement

Prior year:

2016: About 160 outgoing cases for enforcement and about 100 incoming cases for enforcement

Please specify the reference period for these statistics, *i.e.*, whether a calendar or fiscal year, and if the latter, the starting and ending dates:

- Calendar year
 Fiscal year

starting:

ending:

2.3. How many full-time employees (FTEs) are working in your Central Authority / Transmitting Agency / Receiving Agency under these other international instruments?

Receiving agency: 1 FTE works with recognition under the Nordic convention.

Transmitting agency: We use about two FTEs

2.4. Please identify the countries that are your State's main partners in international child support cases under the 1956 Convention, regional instruments or bilateral arrangements:

Sweden, Iceland, Finland and Denmark under the Nordic convention, and Australia under the Hague Convention of 1973.

3. Operational issues

3.1. Are acknowledgments of receipt received within the required timeframe?

- Always
 Almost always
 Half the time
 Rarely
 Never

3.2. Has your State encountered interpretation difficulties with regard to the term "residence" (Art. 9), which is broader than "habitual residence"?

- No
 Yes, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

If yes, please describe, if relevant, the practices your State has developed to overcome these difficulties:

[Please insert text here](#)

3.3. Has your State encountered problems with regard to applications made in the name of the child by a parent?

- No
 Yes, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

Do the problems concern lack of information in the relevant Country Profile?

- Yes
 No

Do the problems concern lack of clarity in the relevant Forms?

- Yes
 No

3.4. Has your State encountered problems with regard to a public body acting in place of an individual to whom maintenance is owed or a public body to which reimbursement is owed for benefits provided in place of maintenance (Art. 36)?

No

Yes, please explain:

We have had to explain many times that our office is the applicant, not the custodial parent, and that it is our office that has to sign the power of attorney. We have also had some problems with how the arrears statements are made when there is arrears owed to both the public body and the custodial parent.

3.5. Has your State encountered problems with regard to a person 21 years or older seeking to obtain legal aid for the recovery of maintenance arrears that accrued before the child turned 21?

No

Yes, please explain:

Please insert text here

3.6. Does your State provide legal aid to public bodies acting on behalf of the applicant (child)?

No

Yes

If yes, please explain if this has involved difficulties:

Legal aid is not necessary in our administrative system.

3.7. Is the caseload in your Central Authority divided by regions or other case characteristics in order to promote a specialisation of case workers?

No

Yes, please explain:

Some cases are divided based on the language skills of the caseworkers.

3.8. Has your State encountered any other operational issues with respect to the processing of cases?

No

Yes, please explain:

Lack of response from some states.

We have encountered problems with the recovery of maintenance arrears that accrued before the child turned 21 if we send the case after the child turned 21 years old. Also, we have had a case rejected because the decision was more than five years old at the time of transmittal.

4. Access to information

4.1. Has your State experienced difficulties in obtaining information required for processing cases under the Convention, as a result of restrictions on access to personal data held by the government or private institutions?

No

Yes – as a requesting State, please explain:

We don't always receive replies to our requests for specific measures.

Yes – as a requested State, please explain:

Requests are not always justified.

If yes, please describe, if relevant, the practices your State has developed to overcome these difficulties:

We correspond with the states in question.

5. Enforcement issues

5.1. Has your State experienced difficulties in enforcing decisions that set the amount of maintenance obligations on the basis of a percentage of the salary of the debtor or of the requesting State's minimum wage?

- No
 Yes, please specify:
[Our system does not allow us to enforce such decisions.](#)

If yes, please describe, if relevant, the practices your State has developed to overcome these difficulties:

[There is little we can do, except to alter the maintenance.](#)

5.2. Has your State experienced difficulties in enforcing orders where the debtor does not have his / her habitual residence in your State but does have property there?

- Not applicable – we have not had any requests to enforce an order in this circumstance
 No, we have been able to enforce orders in this circumstance. Please describe the processes used:
[Please insert text here](#)

- Yes, please specify the difficulties encountered:
[Please insert text here](#)

5.3. Can your State enforce the payment of interest (Art. 19)?

- Yes
 No, please explain why not:
[Only through the bailiff's office, not through the CA, due to domestic law.](#)

6. Feedback on the use of the HCCH Mandatory and Recommended Forms

A. As the requesting State:

6.1. Are there specific problems that you want the Special Commission to address with regard to the content or completion of the HCCH Mandatory and Recommended Forms?

- No
 Yes, please specify:
[Please insert text here](#)

6.2. Is it a requirement under the domestic law of your State that the 2007 Convention application forms be signed by the applicant?

- No
 Yes, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

6.3. If you have responded yes to Question 6.2., please specify what other documents are required in combination with an unsigned application form in order for it to be acceptable under your State's law:

[Please insert text here](#)

6.4. Can your State's competent authorities complete an abstract or extract of the decision using the HCCH recommended form in lieu of a complete text of the decision?

- Yes, please explain under which circumstances:
[Please insert text here](#)
 No, please explain:

[Please insert text here](#)

Is this covered in your State's Country Profile?

- Yes
 No

6.5. Who is the competent authority in your State to complete the HCCH Mandatory and Recommended Forms?

Please specify:

[Requesting state: NAVI and NAV Family Benefits and Pensions](#)

6.6. If the Central Authority or other competent authority in your State receives a handwritten form from an applicant, will it type the form in lieu of the applicant?

- Yes
 No, please explain:
[We accept handwritten forms.](#)

6.7. Is it possible in your State to process non-certified documents for the purpose of recognition and enforcement (Art. 25)?

- Yes
 No, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

6.8. For applications other than those for recognition and enforcement, do requested States routinely require documents in addition to those listed in the available recommended forms?

- No
 Yes, please specify:
[When we send cases for enforcement under Article 10 \(1\) b\), some countries do require enforcement titles in addition to the court order/decision, but this is usually listed in the reservations/declarations made at time of ratification.](#)

If yes,

- Only a few States have such requirements
 Many States have such requirements

B. As the requested State:

6.9. Are there specific problems that you would like the Special Commission to address with regard to the content or completion of the HCCH Mandatory and Recommended Forms?

- No
 Yes, please specify:
[The applicant's and child's address and date of birth are often lacking. We need this information to be able to register the case.](#)

6.10. Is it a requirement under the domestic law of your State that the 2007 Convention application forms be signed by the applicant?

- No
 Yes, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

6.11. If you have responded yes to Question 6.10, please specify what other documents are required in combination with an unsigned application form in order for it to be filed with a competent authority in your State?

[Please insert text here](#)

6.12. Do your State's competent authorities accept an abstract or extract of the decision under certain circumstances using the HCCH recommended form in lieu of a complete text of the decision?

Yes, please explain under which circumstances:

[Please insert text here](#)

No, please explain:

[We do not accept extracts.](#)

If no, please explain what could be done to facilitate the acceptance of an abstract or extract of a decision in your State:

[We have not experienced that a CA has sent us an abstract in lieu of the complete decision.](#)

Is this covered in your State's Country Profile?

Yes

No

6.13. Is it possible in your State to process non-certified documents for the purpose of recognition and enforcement (Art. 25)?

Yes

No, please explain:

[Please insert text here](#)

6.14. Can the recommended forms developed under the 2007 Convention be used for the purpose of a direct request (Art. 37) in your State?

Yes

No, please explain:

[Please insert text here](#)

7. Possible additional forms – Is your State interested in the development of the possible following additional forms?*

| | Possible additional forms to be developed | No | Yes | Priority Level | | |
|------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Low | Med. | High |
| 7.1. | Calculation form for maintenance arrears / statement of arrears | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.2. | Scalable model form for decision ⁸ | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.3. | Statements of enforceability with respect to authentic instruments as well as private agreements (Art. 30(3)(b)) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.4. | Model form for Power of Attorney | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.5. | Form attesting that Art. 36 conditions are met | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.6. | Form for calculation of interest (with a table of interest or a link to a relevant website) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7. | Dynamic forms (available on the HCCH website to be completed online, printed and sent by registered mail) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

⁸ For example, the abstract of a decision could be used as a template which could be converted into a full text decision with a simple click.

| | Possible dynamic mandatory (M) and recommended forms to be developed | No | Yes | Priority Level | | |
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| | | | | Low | Med. | High |
| 7.7.1. | Transmittal form (M) under Art. 12(2) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.2. | Acknowledgement form (M) under Art. 12(3) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.3. | Application for Recognition or Recognition and Enforcement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.4. | Abstract of a Decision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.5. | Statement of Enforceability of a Decision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.6. | Statement of Proper Notice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.7. | Status of Application Report – Recognition or Recognition and Enforcement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.8. | Application for Enforcement of a Decision Made or Recognised in the Requested State | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.9. | Status of Application Report – Enforcement of a Decision Made or Recognised in the Requested State | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.10. | Application for Establishment of a Decision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.11. | Status of Application Report – Establishment of a Decision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.12. | Application for Modification of a Decision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.13. | Status of Application Report – Modification of a Decision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.7.14. | Financial Circumstances Form | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

7.8. Are there any other forms that your State would like to be developed?

No

Yes, please specify the form and level of priority:

[Please insert text here](#)

Priority:

Low

Medium

High

[Please insert text here](#)

Priority:

Low

Medium

High

[Please insert text here](#)

Priority:

Low

Medium

High

8. Country Profile

8.1. Are there specific problems that you would like the Special Commission to address with regard to the content or completion of the Country Profile?

- No
- Yes, please specify:

Some countries have not completed or updated their Country Profile. The information in the country profile is not always in compliance with the reservations/declarations made in connection with the ratification.

8.2. Is your State interested in extension of current Country Profile to cover spousal support (the current version of the Country Profile only covers children)?

- No
 - Yes
- If yes, please indicate a priority:
- Low
 - Medium
 - High

8.3. Are there other areas that your State would like to see added or modified in the Country Profile?

- No
- Yes, please specify:
Please insert text here

9. Possible additional tools – Is your State interested in the development of the possible following additional tools?*

9.1. Guide to Good Practice for Central Authorities on the implementation of the 2007 Convention (a guide as to how the Convention can be implemented in a State, with examples from States as to the way that Central Authority responsibilities are carried out)

- No
 - Yes
- If yes, please indicate a priority:
- Low
 - Medium
 - High

9.2. Guidance for the completion of Mandatory and Recommended Forms under the 2007 Convention

- No
 - Yes
- If yes, please indicate a priority:
- Low
 - Medium
 - High

9.3. Standardised statistical report

- No
 - Yes
- If yes, please indicate a priority:
- Low
 - Medium
 - High

If yes, would it be helpful to develop a Prel. Doc. in advance of the Special Commission meeting to outline the possible statistics that should be included, the benefits of having that information, and a suggested timeline for collection?

- Yes
 No

9.4. Extension of current Country Profile to cover spousal support (the current version of the Country Profile only covers children)

- No
 Yes

If yes, please indicate a priority:

- Low
 Medium
 High

10. Translation of documents and dissemination of information

10.1. Has the text of the 2007 Convention⁹ been translated into your State's official language(s)?

- No
 Yes
 If yes, the document is available on the HCCH website.
 If yes, the document can be made available to the PB in pdf format or is available under the following hyperlink to be posted on the HCCH website. Please specify the language(s):
[Norwegian](#)

10.2. Has the Explanatory Report¹⁰ on the 2007 Convention been translated into your State's official language(s)?

- No
 Yes
 If yes, the document is available on the HCCH website.
 If yes, the document can be made available to the PB in pdf format or is available under the following hyperlink to be posted on the HCCH website. Please specify the language(s):
[Please insert text here](#)

10.3. Does your State require the use of the HCCH Recommended Forms¹¹ in your State's official language(s) (if not English or French)?

- No – Go to Question 10.4.
 Yes

If yes, have the HCCH Mandatory and Recommended Forms¹² under the 2007 Convention been translated into your State's official language(s)?

- No

If no, when will the translated forms be available? Are there steps that could be taken to facilitate the translation of forms into the official language(s) of your State?

Please explain:

[Please insert text here](#)

- Yes
 If yes, the document is available on the HCCH website.

⁹ See, *supra*, note 1.

¹⁰ See, *supra*, note 2.

¹¹ See, *supra*, note 3.

¹² *Ibid.*

- If yes, the document can be made available to the PB in pdf format or is available under the following hyperlink to be posted on the HCCH website. Please specify the language(s):
[Please insert text here](#)

10.4. Has the Practical Handbook for Case Workers¹³ on the 2007 Convention been translated into your State's official language(s)?

- No
 Yes
 If yes, the document is available on the HCCH website.
 If yes, the document can be made available to the PB in pdf format or is available under the following hyperlink to be posted on the HCCH website. Please specify the language(s):
[Please insert text here](#)

10.5. Has the Practical Handbook for Competent Authorities¹⁴ on the 2009 EU Maintenance Regulation, the 2007 Hague Child Support Convention and its Protocol (the Romanian project) been adapted and translated into your State's official language(s)?

- No
 Yes
 If yes, the document is available on the HCCH website.
 If yes, the document can be made available to the PB in pdf format or is available under the following hyperlink to be posted on the HCCH website. Please specify the language(s):
[Please insert text here](#)

10.6. Has the Implementation Checklist¹⁵ for the 2007 Convention been translated into your State's official language(s)?

- No
 Yes
 If yes, the document is available on the HCCH website.
 If yes, the document can be made available to the PB in pdf format or is available under the following hyperlink to be posted on the HCCH website. Please specify the language(s):
[Please insert text here](#)

10.7. What actions to raise public awareness on the international recovery of child support (e.g., information leaflets,¹⁶ institutional circulars, etc.) have been implemented in your State?

[Please insert text here](#)

Are such materials available on the HCCH website?

- Yes
 No

If no, can the document be made available to the PB in pdf format or via hyperlink? Please specify:

[Please insert text here](#)

11. Training and training material

11.1. Has training regarding the 2007 Convention taken place in your State for members of the Central Authority?

- No

If no, what are the obstacles to such training?

¹³ See, *supra*, note 4.

¹⁴ See, *supra*, note 5.

¹⁵ See, *supra*, note 7.

¹⁶ Examples of information leaflets are available at: < <http://assets.hcch.net/docs/a4e37173-54e8-4778-b8f5-e7aba66e6d98.pdf> >.

[Please insert text here](#)

Yes

If yes, what type of training?

[In-house training.](#)

11.2. Has training regarding the 2007 Convention taken place in your State for members of the relevant competent authority(ies)?

No

If no, what are the obstacles to such training?

[Please insert text here](#)

Yes

If yes, what type of training?

[In-house training, as the CA is also the competent authority in Norway.](#)

11.3. Has training regarding the 2007 Convention taken place in your State for caseworkers?

No

If no, what are the obstacles to such training?

[Please insert text here](#)

Yes

If yes, what type of training?

[Workshops, cases, presentations.](#)

11.4. Have you developed training material regarding the 2007 Convention in your State?

No

Yes

If yes, the document(s) is available on the HCCH website.

If yes, the document(s) can be made available to the PB in pdf format or is available under the following hyperlink to be posted on the HCCH website. Please specify the language(s):

[Please insert text here](#)

11.5. To assist with training, does your State favour having additional materials on the HCCH website?

No

Yes, please specify:

[Please insert text here](#)

12. Joining the 2007 Convention*

12.1. Is your State a Contracting Party to the 1956 New York Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance?

Yes

No

(Note: Art. 49 of the 2007 Convention provides that such Convention replaces the 1956 New York Convention in relations between Contracting Parties in so far as the scope of application under each convention is the same.)

12.2. Has your State joined the 2007 Convention?

Yes

No, please explain:

[Please insert text here](#)

If no, what could be done to facilitate your State becoming a Party (e.g., the proposed [Guide to Good Practice](#) for Central Authorities on the implementation of the 2007 Convention)?
[Please insert text here](#)

If no, does your State have concerns regarding implementing the 2007 Convention?
 No
 Yes, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

13. iSupport*

13.1. Has your State implemented iSupport, or is it in the process of implementing iSupport?
 Yes
 No
If no, please respond as appropriate:
[Please insert text here](#)

13.1.1. For Contracting Parties to the 2007 Convention: Does your State intend to implement iSupport?
 Yes
If yes, when?
[Please insert text here](#)

If yes, please identify any assistance required:
[Please insert text here](#)

No, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

13.1.2. For Contracting Parties to the New York 1956 Convention which are not yet Parties to the 2007 Convention: Does your State intend to implement iSupport as it supports the New York 1956 Convention?
 Yes
If yes, when?
[Please insert text here](#)

If yes, please identify any assistance required:
[Please insert text here](#)

No, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

13.1.3. For non-Contracting Parties to the 2007 Convention which are Parties to bilateral agreements: Does your State intend to implement iSupport as it supports bilateral agreements?
 Yes
If yes, when?
[Please insert text here](#)

If yes, please identify any assistance required:
[Please insert text here](#)

No, please explain:
[Please insert text here](#)

14. General

14.1. Are there any other issues or topics not covered in this Questionnaire that you would like to see the Special Commission address?

No

Yes, please specify:

We sometimes experience problems regarding differences in interpretation of the Convention. It would be helpful to have a network to discuss such issues and come to a consensus.

14.2. Are there any areas where research and/or a Preliminary Document would be helpful?

No

Yes, please specify:

Please insert text here

14.3. If your State is interested in attending a possible meeting of the Special Commission, would it be interested in attending, prior to the meeting, a half-day information session for new States Parties, States interested in becoming Party to the 2000 Convention or States that have not yet attended a meeting of a Special Commission to review the practical operation of a Convention?

Yes

No