Measures taken by the Government of Uzbekistan
for implementation of the UNESCO Convention and Recommendation against Discrimination in Education
Table I

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Constitution of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Chapter 9, Article 41).
Adopted in 08.12.1992
“Everyone shall have the right to education. The state shall guarantee free secondary education. Schooling shall be under state supervision”.

The Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On Education” (Article 4).
Adopted in 29.08.1997
“The right to receive education is given to all, irrespective of sex, language, age, race, nationality, conscience, religious beliefs, social origin, occupation, social status, place of residence, period of residence in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan.
Right to education is supplied by:
• provision for development of government and nongovernmental educational institutions;
• provision of part time and full time training;
• free education based on state programme for personnel training, as well as vocational training based on contract agreements;
• equal rights of graduates of all types of the educational institutions while entering educational institutions of the next grade;
• rights for extern accreditation by educational institutions of citizens educated at home or through self-learning programs.
Citizens of other countries have a right to receive education in the Republic of Uzbekistan
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	according to international agreements. Persons without citizenship who are permanent residents of Uzbekistan have equal rights to receive education with the citizens of the Republic of Uzbekistan.”
Remarks: **As mentioned above, in the Republic of Uzbekistan have been created all conditions for every person to have secondary education (citizens, non-citizens, and in accordance with established procedure, the citizens of foreign countries and families received “refugees” status from respective International organizations). Secondary education is taught in seven languages (Uzbek, Karakalpak, Russian, Tajik, Turkmen, Kyrgyz, and Kazakh).** **Statistical data of the Ministry of Public Education of Uzbekistan is focusing on development of the equal quality secondary education for all, and according to the law “On Education” there is no provision for collection of statistics depending on pupil’s nationality, citizenship, social origin, status of refugee and others.**	
Pertinent legislation	**The Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On Education” (Article 18).** “The State shall support home schooling and self-education. Home schooling and self-education should be carried out using the programmes of the corresponding educational institutions. Methodical consulting and other help should be given by representatives of state institutions”. **The Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On Education” (Article 20).** “Students of educational institutions are given the privileges of a scholarship and hostel room according to the normative documents”. **The Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On Education” (Article 22).** “The training and support of orphans and children without parents or legal guardians is legally achieved with full state funding”. **The Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On Education” (Article 23).** Specialized educational institutions are being organized to train and treat physically and mentally handicapped children and teenagers. The decision on children’s attendance at educational institutions and removal from study are taking by psychological-medical-pedagogical commission on the basis of agreement with consent of parents or legal guardians. Tuition fee of students of the specialized educational institutions are fully or partly covered by state funds.

	The Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On Education" (Article 24). Specialized education institutions are providing educational, professional training and social rehabilitation programs for children and teenagers, who needs special conditions for rehabilitation and learning. There is special governmental regulation for providing learning and self-learning opportunities for those in prison.

Remarks:

About 19116 students are taught at 86 special schools and boarding-schools throughout the country. About 7000 children are taught at 23 sanatoriums of special schools type. Besides, about 11094 disable children are individually taught at their home. For training of disabled children at home, teachers receive 50% extra amount to their salaries.

During 2006, which was proclaimed in Uzbekistan as Year of Charity and Medical Workers, following activities have been carried out:

- **Pupils of the first grade and children from low-income families received free winter clothes as the "Gift of President", during the 2006-2007 academic years. This aid is distributed equally among the children irrespectively their nationality, language and citizenship.**
- **In 2006-2007 academic year about 4,949,908,700 Uzbekistan Soums (equivalent USD 4 mln.) have been allocated for providing 12 types of educational tools for 518,793 the first grade school children.**
- **During 2006-2007 academic year 16,247,255,500 Uzbekistan Soums (equivalent USD 13,300 mln.) have been spent for providing four types of clothes for 724,124 children from low-income families.**
- **For children with special needs about 1,440,000,800 Uzbekistan Soums (equivalent USD 1,2 mln.) was donated by 170 sponsor organizations to the 136 education establishments within the system of the Ministry of Public Education of Uzbekistan.**
- **During 2006 charity aid that equal to 838,343,000 Uzbekistan Soums (equivalent USD 700,000) has been provided for orphanages and special education institutions. Apart from that, various activities, medicines, restoration works, furniture, stationeries, clothes and footwear have been provided by various organizations.**

It should be noted, that parent of every child has the right to choose which school child will attend with respective language of teaching. Twice a year the teachers of the schools are registering every child, from local community, in order to cover everybody with compulsory secondary and technical-vocational education.

Pertinent policies	**National Programme of Personnel Training of the Republic of Uzbekistan** *Adopted in 29.08.1997* **National State Programme on Development of School Education for 2004-2009** *Adopted in accordance with the Decree № 321 of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated 09.07.2004.*
The Resolution № 321 of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan and Degree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On National State Programme for Development of School Education in 2004-2009" (dated 21.05.2004) are focused on further sustainable improvement of the secondary education system by forming the most advanced standards and educational materials, which are reflecting future requirements, by eliminating step by step the differences between rural and urban schools' facilities in order to provide equal conditions for all children. Following 5 priority areas are indicated: - renewing the buildings of secondary education schools and engineering-communication infrastructure and overhaul reconstruction; - equipping the schools with modern educational equipments, computer technologies, textbooks and educational-methodical materials; - developing innovative educational standards and programs; - providing schools with high qualified educators through effective system of teachers training, re-training and up-grading qualifications programs; - strengthening the sport facilities of secondary education schools for promotion healthy life style. For example, within first priority area 8476 schools out of 9723 (87%) have been reconstructed in 2004.	
Relevant programs and projects	***Primary education:*** 1-4 grades, "Odobnoma" (Ethics) 1-4 grade "ABC of Constitution" 1-4 grades " The World Surrounding Us" ***Secondary education:*** *5-7 grades* " Trip to the Constitution World" 5-11 grades, "History" 5-6 grades, "Feeling of the Native Land" 7-9 grades "National Idea and Basics of Moral" 8-9 grades "Literature" 8-9 grades "Basics of State and Law"

	9-grade “Person and Society” 9-grade, “History of World Religions” 10-11-grades, “Person and Society” 9 grade “Combating Against Religious Extremism and Terrorism” ***Lyceum and college:*** 3-grade, “History of World Religions” 3-grade, “Person and Society”