



Committee Sources on the Right to Freedom of Association (ICCPR Art. 22)

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is included in the notion of an ass'n? • Does an ass'n need to be registered? • Freedom of ass'n relates to lifecycle of ass'ns • Freedom of ass'n implies right to strike • Status of public law ass'ns under Article 22 • No criminalization of membership in an ass'n • Harassment for trade union activities • Free determination of membership • Charging of membership fees • Conditions for legitimate restrictions • Conditions for legitimate restrictions - impact on minority groups¹ • Notion of "democratic society" • Determining objectives/activities of an ass'n • Objectives and activities of an ass'n: Lawfulness under international law • Can an ass'n be forced to expand or limit its activities to a particular region? • Can an ass'n defend the rights of people who are not members of the ass'n? • Criminal sanction for operating an unregistered public organisation • Interference w/ ass'n governance/operations • National security and terrorism • Refusal to register or grant legal personality • Restrictions on foreign funding • Suspension and dissolution: proportionality • Suspension and dissolution: necessity • Remedies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online ass'ns • Who has the right to associate? • Right not to associate • Positive duty of the State to promote and protect freedom of ass'n • Proactive measures: Enabling legal framework • Freedom from fear, threats, attacks, intimidation • Protection from third parties • Duty to investigate • Requirement to align ass'n w/ gov't priorities • Imposition of restrictions on "illegal" groups • Notification versus authorization procedures • Registration procedures • Delays in registering • Reporting Requirements • Access to judicial review • Constraints on access to resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to legal personality • Re-registration under new laws • Cross-border collaboration • Number of people to form ass'n • Enabling legal framework (online) • Can one create an ass'n with the same objective as an already existing ass'n? • Restrictions during election periods • Interference with minority ass'ns • Online restrictions • Surveillance • Registration of foreign ass'ns • Access to resources: Reporting requirements • Countering terrorism limitations on funding • Suspension and dissolution: judicial body

¹ Decision under ICCPR Art. 19, respecting the right to freedom of opinion and expression.