

Episode 2: What are Economic and Social Rights Obligations?

- International Covenant on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CESCR.aspx> (the leading international human rights treaty that sets out economic and social rights and the central framework for these materials)
- UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, *General Comment No. 3 on the nature of States parties' obligations (art. 2, para.1 of the Covenant)* (Fifth session, 1990), UN Doc. E/1991/23 (1990), http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CESCR/Shared%20Documents/1_Global/INT_CESCR_GEC_4758_E.doc (outlines many of the key obligations imposed by economic and social rights)
- UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, *General Comment No. 9 on the domestic application of the Covenant*, UN Doc. E/C.12/1998/24 (1998), http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=E%2fC.12%2f1998%2f24&Lang=en (outlines important issues in relation to the implementation of the Covenant at the national level, including the role of legal remedies and justiciability)
- UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, *General Comment No. 20 on Non-discrimination in economic, social and cultural rights (art. 2, para. 2, of the Covenant)*, UN Doc. E/C.12/GC/20 (2009), http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=E%2fC.12%2fGC%2f20&Lang=en (provides detail on the role of non-discrimination and equality in relation to economic and social rights)
- Philip Alston, & Gerard Quinn, 'The Nature and Scope of States Parties' Obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights', *Human Rights Quarterly*, Vol.9 (1987) 156-229, available free to read online at: https://www.istor.org/stable/762295?seq=1#page_scan_tab_contents (an authoritative academic treatment of the obligations imposed by the Covenant)
- Limburg Principles on the Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1986), <https://www.escri-net.org/resources/limburg-principles-implementation-international-covenant-economic-social-and-cultural> (an early set of guidelines devised by experts to provide information on the scope of the obligations imposed by economic and social rights under international law)
- UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, *General Comment No. 24 on state obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the context of business activities*, UN Doc. E/C.12/GC/24 (2017), http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=E%2fC.12%2fGC%2f24&Lang=en (outlines the obligations of states in terms of business activities that may and do affect economic and social rights engagement. The role of business is not addressed in depth in the videos but this additional information may be useful to viewers).

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