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- Convention on the Rights of the Child (United Nations General Assembly, 1990)
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights (United Nations General Assembly, 1948)
- Amendments to the United States Constitution (1791–present)

Part 2

- ILO Special Convention 138 (General Conference of the International Labour Organisation, 1973)
- U.S. Fair Labor Standards Act (1938)

Part 5

- Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (United Nations Diplomatic Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Establishment of an International Criminal Court, 1998)
- The American Service-Members' Protection Act (2002)

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