

# Bilateral and Multilateral Treaties

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## Abstract

Bilateral agreements signed or that entered into force between 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2021 and; Multilateral agreements signed/acceded/ratified or that entered into force between 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2021.

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## Agreements in 2020

<b>Date signed /adopted</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Title of agreement</b>	<b>SA date (yymmdd)</b>
20191029 20201029	ICAO	Memorandum of Understanding between the International Civil Aviation Organization and the Republic of South Africa regarding the Universal Security Audit Programme Continuous Monitoring Approach	Entry into force: Not in force
20200112	Ethiopia	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia regarding the Waiver of Visa Requirements for Holders of Diplomatic or Official (Service) Passports	Entry into force: 20201101
20200112	Ethiopia	Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Health of the Republic of South Africa and the Ministry of Health of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on Co-operation in the Field of Health	Entry into force: 20200112
20200112	Ethiopia	Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Tourism of the Government of the Republic of South Africa and The Ministry of Culture and Tourism of the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on Cooperation in the Field of Tourism	Entry into force: 20200112

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20200206	Cuba	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cuba on Cooperation in the Fields of Water Resources Management and Water Supply	Entry into force: 20201124
20200206	Germany	Joint Initiative between the Republic of South Africa and the Federal Republic of Germany Concerning the Promotion of Skills Development in South Africa	Entry into force: 20200206
20200414 20200928	European Commission	Financing Agreement between the European Commission and the Republic of South Africa Support Programme to the Implementation of the EU-SADC Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) in South Africa	Entry into force: 20200928
20200414 20200928	European Commission	Financing Agreement between the Republic of South Africa and and the European Commission on Support Programme to the Implementation of the EU-SADC Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) in South Africa	Entry into force: 20200928
20200925	Sweden	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden on Cooperation in the Field of Arts and Culture	Entry into force: 20200925

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20201020 20210326	Cuba	Exchange of Notes between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cuba Concerning Further Amendments to the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cuba on Economic Assistance	Entry into force: Not in force
20201202 20210325	European Commission	Financing Agreement between the Republic of South Africa and the European Commission on Technical Assistance Facility to Support Sustainable Infrastructure Development in South Africa	Entry into force: 20210325
20201207	Eswatini Swaziland	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini on Scientific and Technological Cooperation	Entry into force: 20201207
20201230	Lesotho	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho on Cooperation in the Field of Sport and Recreation	Entry into force: Not in force

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## Agreements in 2021

<b>Date signed /adopted</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Title of agreement</b>	<b>SA date (yyymmdd)</b>
20101022 20210603 (r)	International Telecommunications Union (ITU)	Final Acts of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Plenipotentiary Conference, Guadalajara 2010	Entry into force: 20210603
20201020 20210326	Cuba	Exchange of Notes between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cuba Concerning Further Amendments to the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cuba on Economic Assistance	Entry into force: Not in force
20210216 20211026	Germany	Exchange of Notes between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning Technical Cooperation	Entry into force: 20211026

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20210303	France	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the French Republic on Cooperation in the Field of the Environment and Climate Change	Entry into force: 20211013
20210308	UNHCR	Multi-Year Partnership Agreement (Governmental Partner) Under the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees between the Office of the United High Commissioner for Refugees and Department of Home Affairs of South Africa	Entry into force: 20210308
20210331	African Development Bank	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the African Development Bank regarding Exemption from Visa Requirements for Officials, Employees and Experts of the African Development Bank	Entry into force: 20210503
20210401	Kuwait	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the State of Kuwait on Co-operation for the Establishment of a Joint Commission	Entry into force: Not in force

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20210401	Kuwait	Protocol Amending the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the State of Kuwait for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income	Entry into force: Not in force
20210423 20210319	Russian Federation	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Russian Federation on Cooperation in Antarctica	Entry into force: 20210423
20210528	France	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the French Republic on Scientific, Technological and Innovation Cooperation	Entry into force: Not in force
20210610	Cuba	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cuba on Cultural Exchange and Cooperation	Entry into force: Not in force

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20210623	Russian Federation	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Russian Federation on the Organisation of Maintenance, Repair and Modernisation of MI-17 (MI-8), MI-35(MI-24) type Helicopters and their Modifications in the Territory of the Republic of South Africa	Entry into force: Not in force
20210811	USA	Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Employment and Labour of the Republic of South Africa and the Department of Labor of the United States of America on Cooperation in the Field of Labour and Employment Matters	Entry into force: 20210811
20210813	Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs	Declaration of Intent between the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment of the Republic of South Africa and the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs on Cooperation in the Field of Biodiversity, Climate Change and Environmental Management	Entry into force: 20210813



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20210910	Ethiopia	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Federal Republic of Ethiopia on Scientific and Technological Cooperation	Entry into force: Not in force
20211111	Sweden	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden and the Government of the Republic of South Africa on Cooperation in the Field of Environmental Protection and Climate Change	Entry into force: 20211111
20210623	Russian Federation	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Russian Federation on the Organisation of Maintenance, Repair and Modernisation of MI-17 (MI-8), MI-35(MI-24) type Helicopters and their Modifications in the Territory of the Republic of South Africa	Entry into force: Not in force
20211123	Kenya	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Kenya on Cooperation in the field of Tourism	Entry into force: Not in force

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20211123	Kenya	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Kenya on Cooperation in the Government Printing Works	Entry into force: Not in force
20211123	Kenya	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Kenya on Migration Matters	Entry into force: Not in force
20211123	Kenya	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Kenya on Transport Related Matters	Entry into force: Not in force
20211123	Kenya	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa through the Department of International Relations and Cooperation and the Government of the Republic of Kenya through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the Establishment of Diplomatic Consultations	Entry into force: 20211123

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20211125	Lesotho	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho on Establishment of a Bi-National Commission.	Entry into force: Not in force
20211125	Lesotho	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho on Diplomatic Consultations	Entry into force: Not in force
20211125	Pakistan	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on the Establishment of a Joint Commission	Entry into force: Not in force
20211201	Nigeria	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria on Cooperation in the Field of Youth Development	Entry into force: Not in force
20211202	Côte D'Ivoire	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire on Bilateral Cooperation in the Fields of Women Empowerment and Gender Equality	Entry into force: Not in force

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20211202	Côte D'Ivoire	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Côte D'Ivoire on Cooperation in the Field of Agriculture	Entry into force: Not in force
20211202	Côte D'Ivoire	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire on Cooperation in the Field of Youth Development	Entry into force: Not in force
20211202	Côte D'Ivoire	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire on Economic and Technical Cooperation in the fields of Mining, Geology and Hydrocarbons	Entry into force: Not in force
20211202	Côte D'Ivoire	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of the Cote D'Ivoire on Defence Cooperation	Entry into force: Not in force

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20211202	Côte D'Ivoire	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire on Cooperation in the Fields of Telecommunications, Information and Communications Technologies.	Entry into force: Not in force
20211207	Senegal	Agreement between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Senegal on a Joint Commission for Bilateral Cooperation	Entry into force: Not in force
20211207	Senegal	Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Senegal on Political and Diplomatic Consultations	Entry into force: Not in force

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