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## Inaugural PGA Webinar Promoting Universality and Implementation of the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime and its Protocol/s

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# Possible Action Points for Parliamentarians



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- *Raise the matter of Ratification of the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime, with relevant Government Ministries - encourage ratification of these treaties.*
- *Raise this same matter within your respective Parliaments, also in relevant Committees, in order to generate greater/broader awareness and political will in terms of moving forward with treaty ratification, once your Governments transmit the international instrument to your Parliaments*
- *Consider writing an article in a suitable media outlet on this subject matter, also to raise awareness on the urgency and importance of this issue among the wider public*
- *Consider exploring the possibility of conducting a TV or Radio interview for the same reason.*
- *Consider mentioning this Webinar, its subject matter and your participation in any social media outlets that you may use in your day to day political activities such as Facebook or Twitter*
- *Consider outreaching to experts in your own capitals, including individuals responsible for Cybersecurity matters in relevant Government Ministries/Agencies who can also advise further on the situation within your own respective countries*
- *For further advise on effective parliamentary diplomacy/advocacy options, consider staying in contact with PGA and/or outreach also to the experts from the different relevant organizations who have presented at this Webinar today*

# Examples of cyberattacks



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- ❖ According to Finnish intelligence services (Supo), a cyberattack took place on the Parliament of Finland, [as mentioned in a news article from March 2021](#).
- ❖ In September 2020 and again [in March 2021, cyberattacks were launched on the Parliament of Norway](#).
- ❖ Parliaments are a key source of political information and are therefore frequently targeted by hacking campaigns. Last June, [Australia announced that it was the target of a cyberattack campaign](#).
- ❖ Also In 2021, a [cyberattack also targeted several institutions in Belgium, including the Parliament](#).

# Examples of laws



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## ❖ Cybercrime and Cybersecurity Act – South Africa.

- ❖ The Act compels electronic communications service providers and financial institutions to act when they become aware that their computer systems have been involved in a cybersecurity breach, as defined by Act.
- ❖ The Act further criminalizes harmful data messages, such as those that invite or threaten violence or damage to property, as well as those that contain intimate images.

## ❖ Loi n° 009/PR/2015 portant sur la cybersécurisation et la lutte contre la cybercriminalité – Tchad ([source](#))

- ❖ The law sets the framework to fight cybercrime and to promote cybersecurity at a state level.

❖ For more information, please visit the [UNIDIR Cybersecurity Policy Portal](#)



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*We welcome your questions and comments.*

**THANK YOU**

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