



Cumulative Report
*25 to 27 September and 1 and 2 October 2007**

47 States** undertook **79 treaty actions** from 25 to 27 September, and 1 to 2 October 2007. Of that number, 9 States participated at the level of **Head of State or Government** and 26 States participated at the level of **Minister for Foreign Affairs**. There were a total of 40 signatures, and 39 ratifications, approvals, acceptances, accessions or like actions. A breakdown of the actions by treaty appears below.

Human Rights

- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 1966) (1 accession by Bahrain).
- Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, 1966 (1 signature by Kazakhstan and 1 ratification by Vanuatu).
- Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty, 1989 (2 accessions by France and Mexico).
- Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, 2002 (2 signatures by Ireland and Kazakhstan, and 1 accession by Thailand).
- Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, 2000 (1 ratification by Gabon and 1 accession by Iran (Islamic Republic of)).

Terrorism, Organized Crime and Corruption

- International Convention against the Taking of Hostages, 1979 (1 accession by Thailand).
- Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United