



***2013 Treaty Event:
Towards Universal Participation and Implementation
Final Report***

24th-26th September and 30th September – 1st October 2013

During the 2013 Treaty Event, fifty-nine (59) **States** undertook one hundred and thirteen (113) **treaty actions**. Nine (9) States participated at the level of **Head of State**, seven (7) States participated at the level of **Head of Government**, thirty-five (35) States participated at the **ministerial level**, and eight (8) States participated at the level of **Permanent Representative**.

There were a total of sixty (60) signatures, twenty-nine (29) ratifications, twelve (12) accessions, four (4) instruments of consents to be bound, four (4) acceptances, three (3) provisional applications, and one (1) declaration. A breakdown of the treaty actions is provided below:

Commodities

International Cocoa Agreement, 2010. Geneva, 25 June 2010 (Accession by Ecuador)

Disarmament

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995 (Consent to be bound by Zambia)

Amendment to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 21 December 2001 (Accession by Bangladesh and Zambia)

Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013 (Signature by Angola, Bangladesh, Barbados, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cape Verde, Chad, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Dominica, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Kiribati, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nauru, Peru, Philippines, Samoa, Sierra Leone, South Africa, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United States of America and Zambia; Ratification by Costa Rica, Mexico and Trinidad and Tobago; Provisional Application by Costa Rica, Mexico and Trinidad and Tobago)

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996 (Ratification by Guinea-Bissau and Iraq)

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III). Geneva, 10 October 1980 (Accession by Zambia)

Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol V). Geneva, 28 November 2003 (Consent to be bound by Bangladesh and Zambia)

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996 (Consent to be bound by Zambia)

Educational and Cultural Matters

Agreement on the importation of educational, scientific and cultural materials. Lake Success, New York, 22 November 1950 (Signature by Guinea-Bissau)

Environment

Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Geneva, 22 September 1995 (Ratification by Côte d'Ivoire)

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999 (Ratification by Bahrain)

Convention on the Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses. New York, 21 May 1997 (Accession by Montenegro)

Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Nagoya, 29 October 2010 (Ratification by Bhutan, Côte d'Ivoire, Indonesia and Norway; Acceptance by Guinea-Bissau)

Nagoya-Kuala Lumpur Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. Nagoya, 15 October 2010 (Acceptance by Guinea-Bissau)

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998 (Ratification by Indonesia)

Health

Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products. Seoul, 12 November 2012 (Signature by Benin, Botswana, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Finland, Germany, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Madagascar, Sudan and United Republic of Tanzania)

Human Rights

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984 (Signature by Angola; Ratification by Guinea-Bissau)

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide. Paris, 9 December 1948 (Accession by Guinea-Bissau)

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006
(Signature by Bahamas and Guinea-Bissau; Ratification by Papua New Guinea; Accession by Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of))

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. New York, 20 December 2006 (Signature by Guinea-Bissau)

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. New York, 7 March 1966 (Signature by Angola)

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990 (Signature by Armenia)

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966
(Declaration by Guinea-Bissau)

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002 (Signature by Angola, Guinea-Bissau and Mongolia)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006 (Signature by Guinea-Bissau)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011 (Signature by Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Poland and Seychelles; Ratification by Montenegro and Portugal)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000 (Ratification by Russian Federation)

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966 (Ratification by Guinea-Bissau)

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 10 December 2008 (Signature by Angola and Benin; Ratification by Montenegro)

Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty. New York, 15 December 1989 (Signature by Angola; Ratification by Guinea-Bissau)

International Trade and Development

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods. Vienna, 11 April 1980 (Accession by Bahrain)

Penal Matters

Amendment to article 8 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Kampala, 10 June 2010 (Ratification by Cyprus, Slovenia and Uruguay; Acceptance by Andorra)

Amendments on the crime of aggression to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Kampala, 11 June 2010 (Ratification by Cyprus, Slovenia and Uruguay; Acceptance by Andorra)

International Convention Against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979 (Accession by Nigeria)

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997 (Accession by Nigeria)

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001 (Ratification by Ecuador; Accession by Czech Republic and Guinea-Bissau)

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000 (Ratification by Czech Republic)

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000 (Ratification by Czech Republic)

Transport and Communications

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea. New York, 11 December 2008 (Signature by Guinea-Bissau)

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