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2012 Treaty Event: Strengthening the Rule of Law

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Today **eighteen (19) treaty actions** were effected with the Secretary-General by 9 (nine) Member States; two (2) Member States participated at the level of **Head of State**, two (2) Member States participated at the level of **Head of Government**, four (4) Member States participated at the level of **Minister of Foreign Affairs**, and two (2) Member States participated with representatives from other **ministries**.

There were a total of two (2) signatures, nine (9) ratifications, two (2) acceptances, and six (6) accessions. A breakdown of the treaty actions is provided below:

Privileges and Immunities, Diplomatic and Consular Relations, etc

- Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations (New York, 13 February 1946) (III-1) (Accession by Switzerland)
- Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies (New York, 21 November 1947) (III-2) (Accession by Switzerland)

Human Rights

- Amendment to article 8 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (New York, 15 January 1992) (IV-2.a) (Acceptance by Jamaica)
- Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in armed conflict (New York, 25 May 2000) (IV-11.b) (Ratification by Nigeria)
- Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure (New York, 19 December 2011) (IV-11.d) (Signature and Ratification by Thailand, Accession by Gabon)
- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (New York, 13 December 2006) (IV-15) (Ratifications by Poland, and the Russian Federation)

Transport and Communications (Custom Matters)

• International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods (Geneva, 21 October 1982) (XI-A-17) (Accession by Morocco)

Penal matters

- Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents (New York, 14 December 1973) (XVIII-7) (Accession by Nigeria)
- Amendment to article 8 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Kampala, 10 June 2010) (XVIII-10.a) (Ratification by Samoa)
- Amendments on the crime of aggression to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Kampala, 11 June 2010) (XVIII-10.b) (Ratification by Samoa)
- Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court (New York, 9 September 2002) (XVIII-13) (Ratification by Switzerland)
- International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism (New York, 13 April 2005) (XVIII-15) (Accession by Nigeria)

Commodities

• Food Assistance Convention (London, 25 April 2012) (XIX-48) (Signature by Bulgaria)

Disarmament

• Central African Convention for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons, their Ammunition and all Parts and Components that can be used for their Manufacture, Repair and Assembly (Kinshasa, 30 April 2010) (XXVI-7) (Acceptance by Gabon)

Environment

- Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity (Montreal, 29 January 2000) (XXVII-8.a) (Ratification by Jamaica)
- Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Kiev, 21 May 2003) (XXVII-13.a) (Ratification by Poland)
