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TREATY EVENT
MULTILATERAL TREATY FRAMEWORK:
AN INVITATION TO UNIVERSAL PARTICIPATION
FOCUS 2005: RESPONDING TO GLOBAL CHALLENGES
UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS
SEPTEMBER 2005

Signature of and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The Treaty Event will take place in September 2005 at Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Further to depositary notification C.N.1297.2004.TREATIES-1 of 21 December 2004, it is advised that the publication Multilateral Treaty Framework: An Invitation to Universal Participation - Focus 2005: Responding to Global Challenges is currently being compiled and will be circulated to all Permanent Missions in New York as soon as possible. This publication contains summaries of key provisions, relevant final clauses and status of the 31 treaties relating to human rights, refugees, penal matters, terrorism, organized crime and corruption, the environment, law of the sea, disarmament, health and the law of treaties being highlighted at Focus 2005. In order to give States intending to participate in this event adequate notice, a list of the core treaties is being circulated herewith.

Further information concerning the dates of the event, requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession will be communicated shortly.

Attention: Treaty Services of Ministries of Foreign Affairs and of international organizations concerned. Depositary notifications are made available to the Permanent Missions to the United Nations at the following e-mail address: missions@un.int. Such notifications are also available in the United Nations Treaty Collection on the Internet at http://untreaty.un.org.
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List of 31 Multilateral Treaties Responding to Global Challenges
(For an up-to-date status of the treaties listed below, please refer to our website at http://untreaty.un.org)
(Only treaties highlighted with an asterisk (*) are still open for signature. All treaties are open for ratification, acceptance, approval and accession in accordance with their provisions.)

Human Rights

1. International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (New York, 16 December 1966)*
2. International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (New York, 16 December 1966)*
3. Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (New York, 16 December 1966)*
5. Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (New York, 10 December 1984)*
6. Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (New York, 18 December 2002)*
7. International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (New York, 18 December 1990)*

Refugees


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Terrorism

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Organized Crime and Corruption


Environment

25. Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity (Montreal, 29 January 2000)

Law of the Sea


Disarmament

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29. Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (Oslo, 18 September 1997)

Health

30. WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (Geneva, 21 May 2003)

Law of Treaties