FACT SHEET #2

Past Treaty Events

The Treaty Event, which was initiated as a side activity of the Millennium Summit in 2000, has been held eight times in seven years. Each year, a focus is selected, highlighting a group of treaties, as a way to encourage Member States to sign, ratify or otherwise support these treaties. In 2001, an additional treaty event was held in the wake of 11 September to highlight terrorism-related treaties.

The following is a list of past treaty events and the number of actions taken by Member States:

- **2000**  
  The Millennium Summit Treaty Event  
  274 treaty actions by 84 States

- **2001**  
  Focus – Rights of Women and Children  
  135 treaty actions by 61 States
  
  Treaty Event – Terrorism-related Treaties  
  180 treaty actions by 79 States

- **2002**  
  Focus – Sustainable Development  
  84 treaty actions by 41 States

- **2003**  
  Focus – Treaties against Transnational Organized Crime and Terrorism  
  155 treaty actions by 56 States

- **2004**  
  Focus – Treaties on the Protection of Civilians  
  102 treaty actions by 35 States

- **2005**  
  Focus – Responding to Global Challenges  
  265 treaty actions by 99 States and the European Community

- **2006**  
  Focus – Crossing Borders  
  86 treaty actions by 46 States

- **2007**  
  Focus – Towards Universal Participation and Implementation  
  81 treaty actions by 48 States

Note: Treaty actions include, for example, signatures, ratifications, approvals, acceptances, accessions and consents to be bound. There has been a total of nine treaty events before the 2008 event and a total of 1,362 treaty actions have taken place.