2012 Treaty Event: Strengthening the Rule of Law

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Today twenty eight (28) treaty actions were effected with the Secretary-General by eleven (11) Member States; one (1) Member States participated at the level of Head of State, nine (9) Member States participated at the level of Minister of Foreign Affairs, and one (1) at the ministerial level.

There were a total of nine (9) signatures, fourteen (14) ratifications, three (3) accessions, and two (2) consents to be bound. A breakdown of the treaty actions is provided below:

Human Rights

- Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (New York, 10 December 2008) (IV-3.a) (Signature by Burkina Faso)
- 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 Indonesia, Accession by Swaziland)
- 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) (IV-11.c) (Ratification by Indonesia, Accession by Swaziland)
- Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure (New York, 19 December 2011) (IV-11.d) (Signatures by Albania, Cape Verde, Liechtenstein, Madagascar, and Turkey)
- 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) (IV-12) (Signature by Madagascar)
- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (New York, 13 December 2006) (IV-15) (Ratification by Swaziland)
- Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (New York, 13 December 2006) (IV-15.a) (Ratification by Swaziland)

Refugees and Stateless Persons

• Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness (New York, 30 August 1961) (V-4) (Ratification by Ecuador)

Penal matters

- United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (New York, 15 November 2000) (XVIII-12) (Ratification by Swaziland)
- Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (New York, 15 November 2000) (XVIII-12.a) (Ratification by Swaziland)
- 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) (XVIII-12.b) (Ratification by the Luxembourg and Swaziland)
- 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) (XVIII-12.c) (Ratification by Swaziland)
- United Nations Convention against Corruption (New York, 31 October 2003) (XVIII-14) (Ratification by Swaziland)
- International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism (New York, 13 April 2005) (XVIII-15) (Ratification by Turkey)

Commodities

- International Cocoa Agreement, 2010 (Geneva, 25 June 2010) (XIX-47) (Signature by Trinidad and Tobago)
- Food Assistance Convention (London, 25 April 2012) (XIX-48) (Signature by Luxembourg)

Law of the Sea

- United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (Montego Bay, 10 December 1982) (XXI-6) (Ratifications by Ecuador and Swaziland)
- Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 (XXI-6.a) (Consents to be bound by Ecuador and Swaziland)

Environment

 Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade (Rotterdam, 10 September 1998) (XXVII-14) (Accession by Swaziland)