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To: All Heads of Delegations

**Subject: Status of ratification by OSCE participating States of the 12 Universal
Anti-terrorism Conventions and Protocols**

Please find attached a revised chart reflecting the status of ratification by OSCE participating States of the 12 universal anti-terrorism conventions and protocols current to 1 September 2005. The previous version was circulated on 23 May 2005 as SEC.GAL/113/05/Corr.1.

The chart is based upon information available by the depositories as specified in this document and will be updated on a regular basis. Comments from the delegations should be addressed to the Action against Terrorism Unit (ATU):

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Overview

The Bucharest Plan of Action for Combating Terrorism states that the participating States pledge themselves to become party to the 12 anti-terrorism conventions and protocols by 31 December 2002, if possible. By that time, 20 out of the 55 participating States (i.e. 36%) had become party to all 12 universal anti-terrorism instruments (12 UATI). As of 1 September 2005, a total of 39 participating States (i.e. 71%) are party to all 12.

The eight treaties, to which 50 or more participating States are party (either by ratification, accession, succession, acceptance or approval) are as follows:

- Convention on Offences and Certain Other Acts Committed on Board Aircraft, signed at Tokyo on 14 September 1963;
- Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft, signed at The Hague on 16 December 1970;
- Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 23 September 1971;
- Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 14 December 1973;
- International Convention Against the Taking of Hostages, signed at New York on 17 December 1979;
- Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts of Violence at Airports Serving International Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 24 February 1988;
- International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 15 December 1997;
- International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 9 December 1999.

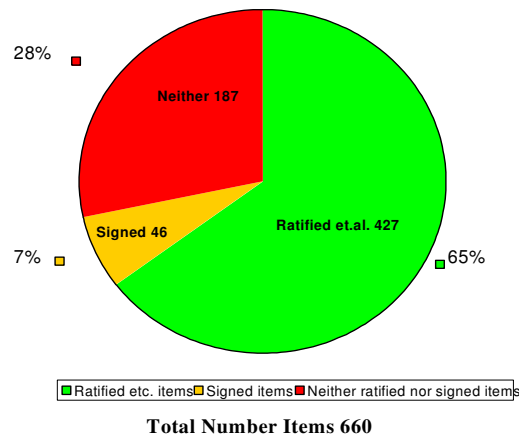
The least ratified treaties, and the number and the percentage of the OSCE participating States that have ratified them are as follows:

- Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation, signed at Rome on 10 March 1988 (46 participating States, i.e. 84%);
- Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf, signed at Rome on 10 March 1988 (46 participating States, i.e. 84%);
- Convention on the Marking of Plastic Explosives for the Purpose of Detection, signed at Montreal on 1 March 1991 (46 participating States, i.e. 84%);
- Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, signed at New York and Vienna on 3 March 1980 (49 participating States, i.e. 89%).

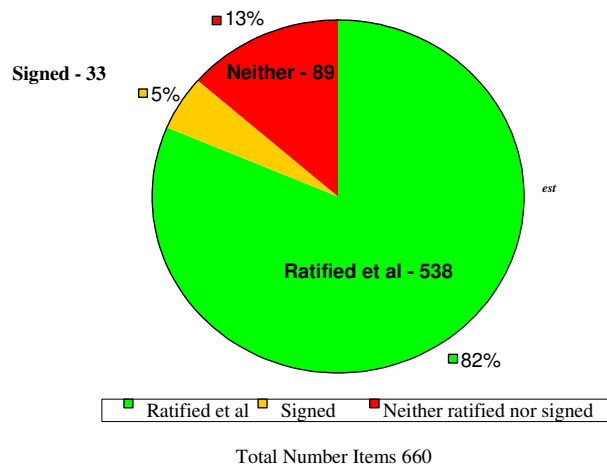
The 55 participating States and the 12 UATI form a ratification matrix numbering 660 items. Out of those, 607 are ratified, acceded to, etc. (92 %) and 6 signed (1 %), leaving 47 neither ratified nor signed (7 %). After 11 September 2001 and the adoption of the Bucharest Plan of Action, 180 items have been ratified et al, indicating a 27 % rise in ratification (from 65% to 92 %). The comparative status of ratification on 11 September 2001, 11 September 2003 and 1 September 2005 are illustrated in the charts below.

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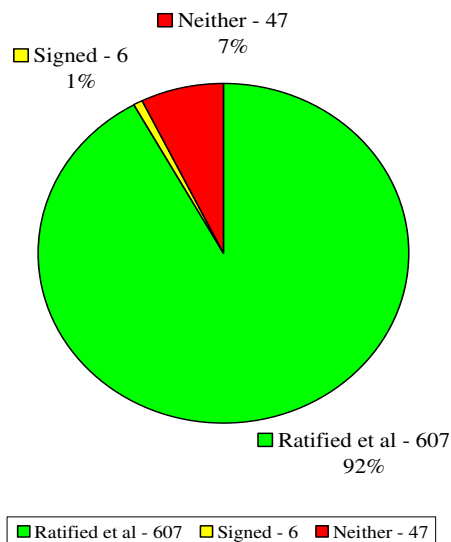
Status of ratification of 12 UATI by OSCE participating States on 11 September 2001



Status of ratification of 12 UATI by OSCE participating States on 11 September 2003



Status of ratification of the 12 UATI by OSCE participating States on 1 September 2005



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The OSCE ATU regularly assesses the status¹ of the 12 universal anti-terrorism conventions and protocols in the OSCE area, circulates updates to participating States and informs about progress in Counter-Terrorism Network newsletters.

Furthermore, in co-operation with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), technical assistance can be provided to participating States, upon their request, which will enhance their capabilities to review existing legislation or draft new legislation necessary to ratify the 12 UATI. In partnership with UNODC, OSCE (ATU, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights - ODIHR and field presences) organizes workshops on 12 UATI at national and sub-regional level. Listed below are possible types of assistance the ODIHR, also in co-operation with UNODC, can provide to participating States at their request:

- Expert review of existing anti-terrorism legislation;
- Technical assistance in ratification of conventions and protocols;
- Assistance in submission of reports to the United Nations Counter Terrorism Committee pursuant to United Nations Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001);
- Assistance in drafting legislation in order to comply with international obligations related to anti-terrorism, including conventions, protocols and Security Council resolutions.

On request, the ODIHR and the ATU are also able to offer training for the judiciary and legislative review or technical assistance with drafting other types of legislation that assist in the implementation of international obligations related to anti-terrorism.

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¹ This information is collated from depositary sources. It is designed to facilitate the determination of the overall status of ratification of the 12 universal anti-terrorism conventions and protocols by the participating States of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE). The accuracy of the information portrayed herein relies on the data provided by the pertinent depositary bodies of each convention (i.e. the United Nations, the International Civil Aviation Organization, the International Maritime Organization, or the International Atomic Energy Agency), not the OSCE or its Secretariat, with the exception of unintended errors made during the collation. The document is periodically revised and/or corrected, pending the availability of updated information and/or requests for correction. With respect to requests to modify information on the relevant internet sites the participating States are encouraged to inform the authorities of the concerned depositary body, in order to address the matter. With regard to requests for modification of errors made during the collation, the Action against Terrorism Unit (ATU) of the Secretariat should be contacted. For the purpose of examining the data provided by the depositary bodies, a list of the conventions and protocols, their depositaries, and the locations of the relevant documents on the Internet are listed below.

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P = Party Instrument: (R) Ratification (a) accession (s) succession (A) Acceptance (AA) Approval

CONVENTIONS AND PROTOCOLS	1. Offences and Certain Other Acts Committed on Board Aircraft (1963) *	2. Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft (1970)*	3. Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation (1971)*	4. Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons (1973)	5. Against the Taking of Hostages (1979)	6. Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (1980)	7. Suppression of Unlawful Acts of Violence at Airports Serving Intl. Civil Aviation, supp. to 1971 Convention	8. Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (1988)	9. Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf (1988)	10. Marking of Plastic Explosives for the Purpose of Detection (1991)	11. Suppression of Terrorist Bombings (1997)	12. Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism (1999)	Party	Signed	Neither
Albania	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Andorra	-	P	-	P (a)	P (a)	-	-	-	-	-	P (a)	Signed	4	1	7
Armenia	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Austria	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Azerbaijan	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Belarus	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (s)	P	P	P	P(AA)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Belgium	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	Signed	P (R)	P (R)	11	1	
BiH	P	P	P	P (s)	P (s)	P (s)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Bulgaria	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Canada	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Croatia	P	P	P	P (s)	P (s)	P (s)	P	-	-	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	10		2
Cyprus	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Czech Rep.	P	P	P	P (s)	P (s)	P (s)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (s)	P (R)	Signed	11	1	
Denmark	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Estonia	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Finland	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (A)	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (A)	P (A)	P (A)	12		
France	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P(AA)	P	P(AA)	P(AA)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Georgia	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	-	P	-	-	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	9		3
Germany	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Greece	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Holy See	Signed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		1	11
Hungary	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Iceland	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Ireland	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Italy	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Kazakhstan	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	-	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	11		1
Kyrgyzstan	P	P	P	P(a)	P(a)	-	P	-	-	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	9		3
Latvia	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Liechtenstein	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Lithuania	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (a)	12		
Luxembourg	P	P	P	-	P (R)	P (R)	P	-	-	-	P (R)	P (R)	8		4
Malta	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Monaco	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Netherlands	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (A)	P	P (A)	P (A)	P (R)	P (A)	P (A)	12		
Norway	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Poland	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P(R)	P (R)	P (R)	-	P (R)	P (R)	11		1
Portugal	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Rep. Moldova	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	-	-	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	10		2
Romania	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Russian Fed.	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	Signed	P (R)	P (R)	11	1	
San Marino	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P (a)	P (R)	2		10
SCG	P	P	P	P (s)	P (s)	P (s)	P	P	P	-	P (a)	P (R)	11		1
Slovakia	P	P	P	P (s)	P (s)	P (s)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (s)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Slovenia	P	P	P	P (s)	P (s)	P (s)	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Spain	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Sweden	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	Signed	P (R)	P (R)	11		
Switzerland	P	P	P	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
Tajikistan	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
The fYRoM	P	P	P	P (s)	P (s)	P (s)	P	-	-	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	10		2
Turkey	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Turkmenistan	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P (a)	12		
Ukraine	P	P	P	P (R)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (a)	P (R)	12		
UK	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
USA	P	P	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	P (R)	12		
Uzbekistan	P	P	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P	P (a)	P (a)	P (a)	P (R)	P (R)	12		

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<http://www.icao.int/icao/en/leb/Tokyo.htm>
 2. Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft, signed at the Hague on 16 December 1970. Deposited with the Governments of the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the United States. Information on status provided by ICAO, available on web site:
<http://www.icao.int/icao/en/leb/Hague.htm>
 3. Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 23 September 1971. Deposited with the Governments of the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. Information on status provided by ICAO, available on web site:
<http://www.icao.int/icao/en/leb/Mtl71.htm>
 4. Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 14 December 1973. Deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations. Information on status provided by UN, available on web site:
http://untreaty.un.org/ENGLISH/Status/Chapter_xviii/treaty7.asp
 5. International Convention against the Taking of Hostages, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 17 December 1979. Information on status provided by UN, available on web site:
http://untreaty.un.org/ENGLISH/Status/Chapter_xviii/treaty5.asp
 6. Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (1980) is deposited with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). The information on status provided by IAEA is available on web site:
http://www.iaea.org/Publications/Documents/Conventions/cppnm_status.pdf
 7. Protocol on the Suppression of Unlawful Acts of Violence at Airports Serving International Civil Aviation, supplementary to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 24 February 1988. Deposited with the Governments of the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the United States of America and with the Secretary-General of the International Civil Aviation Organization. Information on status provided by ICAO, available on web site:
<http://www.icao.int/icao/en/leb/Via.htm>
 - 8 - 9. Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation, done at Rome on 10 March 1988, and Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf, done at Rome on 10 March 1988. Deposited with the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). Information on status provided by IMO, available on web site:
http://www.imo.org/Conventions/mainframe.asp?topic_id=248
 10. Convention on the Marking of Plastic Explosives for the Purpose of Detection, signed at Montreal on 1 March 1991. Deposited with the Secretary-General of the International Civil Aviation Organization. Information on status provided by ICAO, available on web site:
<http://www.icao.int/icao/en/leb/MEX.htm>
 11. International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 15 December 1997. Information on status provided by UN, available on web site:
http://untreaty.un.org/ENGLISH/Status/Chapter_xviii/treaty9.asp
 12. International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 9 December 1999. Information on status provided by UN, available on web site:
http://untreaty.un.org/ENGLISH/Status/Chapter_xviii/treaty11.asp
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