

[As of 4 January 2001]

11.c. 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

Not yet in force: (see article 14).
Status: Signatories: 69 ,Parties: 1.
Text: Doc. A-54-RES-263; and C.N.1032.2000.TREATIES-72 of 14 November 2000 [rectification of the the original of the Protocol (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish authentic texts)].

Note: The Optional Protocol was adopted by resolution A-RES-54-263 of 25 May 2000 at the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. In accordance with its article 13 (1), the Optional Protocol will be open for signature by any State that is a party to the Convention or has signed it at United Nations Headquarters in New York at the special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century", to be convened from 5 to 9 June 2000 in New York. Thereafter, at United Nations Headquarters, at the special session of the General Assembly, entitled "World Summit for Social Development and beyond: achieving social development for all in a globalizing world", to be convened from 26 to 30 June 2000 in Geneva, and at the Millenium Summit of the United Nations New York, to be convened from 6 to 8 September 2000 in New York.

PARTICIPANTS

Participant	Signature	Ratification, Accession (a)
Andorra	7 Sep 2000	
Austria	6 Sep 2000	
Azerbaijan	8 Sep 2000	
Bangladesh	6 Sep 2000	6 Sep 2000
Belgium ¹	6 Sep 2000	
Belize	6 Sep 2000	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	7 Sep 2000	
Brazil	6 Sep 2000	
Cambodia	27 Jun 2000	
Chile	28 Jun 2000	
China	6 Sep 2000	
Colombia	6 Sep 2000	
Costa Rica	7 Sep 2000	

Cuba	13 Oct 2000	
Denmark	7 Sep 2000	
Ecuador	6 Sep 2000	
Finland	7 Sep 2000	
France	6 Sep 2000	
Gabon	8 Sep 2000	
Gambia	21 Dec 2000	
Germany	6 Sep 2000	
Greece	7 Sep 2000	
Guatemala	7 Sep 2000	
Guinea-Bissau	8 Sep 2000	
Holy See	10 Oct 2000	
Iceland	7 Sep 2000	
Ireland	7 Sep 2000	
Italy	6 Sep 2000	
Jamaica	8 Sep 2000	
Jordan	6 Sep 2000	
Kazakhstan	6 Sep 2000	
Kenya	8 Sep 2000	
Lesotho	6 Sep 2000	
Liechtenstein	8 Sep 2000	
Luxembourg	8 Sep 2000	
Madagascar	7 Sep 2000	
Malawi	7 Sep 2000	
Malta	7 Sep 2000	
Mexico	7 Sep 2000	
Monaco	26 Jun 2000	
Morocco	8 Sep 2000	
Namibia	8 Sep 2000	
Nauru	8 Sep 2000	
Nepal	8 Sep 2000	
Netherlands	7 Sep 2000	
New Zealand	7 Sep 2000	
Nigeria	8 Sep 2000	
Norway	13 Jun 2000	
Panama	31 Oct 2000	
Paraguay	13 Sep 2000	
Peru	1 Nov 2000	
Philippines	8 Sep 2000	
Portugal	6 Sep 2000	
Republic of Korea	6 Sep 2000	
Romania	6 Sep 2000	
San Marino	5 Jun 2000	

Senegal	8 Sep 2000	
Sierra Leone	8 Sep 2000	
Slovenia	8 Sep 2000	
Spain	6 Sep 2000	
Sweden	8 Sep 2000	
Switzerland	7 Sep 2000	
Turkey	8 Sep 2000	
Ukraine	7 Sep 2000	
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	7 Sep 2000	
United States of America	5 Jul 2000	
Uruguay	7 Sep 2000	
Venezuela	7 Sep 2000	
Viet Nam	8 Sep 2000	

DECLARATIONS

Declarations and Reservations

(Unless otherwise indicated, the declaraitons and reservations were made upon ratification or accession.)

Belgium¹

Upon signature:

Declaration:

This signature is equally binding on the French community, the Flemish community and the German-speaking community.

Sweden

Upon signature:

Declaration:

"Reference is made to earlier statements submitted by the EU in connection with the Working group's *ad-referendum* adoption of the Optional Protocol on 4 February 2000 and the national statement submitted by Sweden at the same occasion as well as the Swedish statement submitted in connection with the adoption of the Protocol by the General Assembly on 25 May 2000. Furthermore Sweden interprets the words 'any representation' in article 2 c) as 'visual representation'".

NOTES

1. For the Kingdom of Belgium.