This document presents the recent evolution of the campaign. This update is published twice a year to give information about the campaign development (status of ratifications, actions taken by the World Coalition and its members) and suggest taking action in target countries. For more details please refer to our website: www.worldcoalition.org/protocol

As of 20 June 2019, 87 States are parties to the Protocol, and 1 other State (Angola) has signed the Protocol but has not ratified it yet.

**Latest News**

26 February - 1 March 2019: 7th World Congress against the Death Penalty in Brussels, Belgium. During the Opening Ceremony of the Congress, the Republic of Congo and Guinea committed to ratifying the Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR on the abolition of the death penalty and to supporting the adoption of the draft Protocol to the African Charter on human and Peoples’ Rights on the abolition of the death penalty.

13 March 2019: The Council of Ministers of Angola sent the proposal to the National Assembly for the accession of Angola to several international treaties including the Second Optional protocol to the ICCPR and the Convention Against Torture.

18 March 2019: Ratification of Second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR by the state of Palestine.

April - May 2019: 33rd session of the UPR Côte d’Ivoire accepted the recommendations to ratify OP2-ICCPR.

10 June 2019: 3 months to World Day! This year’s theme is: Children, unseen victims of the death Penalty http://www.worldcoalition.org/worldday.html

In 2019, the targeted protocol is the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) as 15 December 2019 will see the 30th anniversary of its adoption.

**Agenda for June - September 2019:**


→ Philippines: After the May elections, President Duterte has won the majority at the House of Representatives and at the Senate. A new bill to reinstate the death penalty may be filed again before the end of the year. The next parliamentary session will start end of July.

Take Action Now!
We encourage you to send official letters to the following countries:

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You will find advice and model letters in the Lobbying Kit that you may download online: [www.worldcoalition.org/media/resourcecenter/KitLobbyingMembresWCADP-EN.pdf](http://www.worldcoalition.org/media/resourcecenter/KitLobbyingMembresWCADP-EN.pdf)