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Death Sentences and Executions in 1999

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During 1999, at least 1,813 prisoners were executed in 31 countries and 3,857 people were sentenced to death in 63 countries. These figures include only cases known to Amnesty International; the true figures are certainly higher.

Death sentences are known to have been imposed in the following countries and territories in 1999:

AFGHANISTAN GUYANA ALGERIA INDIA ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA **IRAN ARMENIA IRAQ BAHAMAS JAMAICA BANGLADESH JAPAN BELARUS JORDAN BELIZE KAZAKSTAN BENIN** KENYA **BERMUDA KUWAIT BOTSWANA KYRGYZSTAN BURUNDI LEBANON** CHILE **MALAWI CHINA MALAYSIA** CONGO (Democratic Republic) **MONGOLIA EGYPT MOROCCO ETHIOPIA NIGERIA**

GAMBIA

GUATEMALA

GHANA PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

PHILIPPINES RWANDA

PAKISTAN

SAMOA SOMALIA SAUDI ARABIA SRI LANKA SINGAPORE SUDAN

SYRIA TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

TAIWAN UGANDA TAJIKISTAN UKRAINE

TANZANIA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
THAILAND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

UZBEKISTAN VIET NAM YEMEN

YUGOSLAVIA (Federal Republic)

ZAMBIA ZIMBABWE

Executions are known to have been carried out in the following countries in 1999:

AFGHANISTAN RUSSIAN FEDERATION

BELARUS SAUDI ARABIA
BURUNDI SINGAPORE
CHINA SOMALIA
CONGO (Democratic Republic) SYRIA
CUBA TAIWAN
EGYPT TAJIKISTAN
IRAN THAILAND

IRAQ TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

JAPAN UGANDA

JORDAN UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
MONGOLIA UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NIGERIA UZBEKISTAN PAKISTAN VIET NAM PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY YEMEN

PHILIPPINES

In 1999, 85 per cent of all known executions took place in China, Iran, Saudi Arabia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the USA. In China, the limited records available to Amnesty International at the end of the year indicated that at least 1,077 people were executed, but the true figure was believed to be much higher. At least 165 executions were carried out in Iran. As many as 100 people were executed in the Democratic Republic of the Congo after being sentenced to death by a military court. In Saudi Arabia, 103 executions were reported, but the total may have been much higher. Ninety-eight people were executed in the USA. In addition, hundreds of executions were reported in Iraq, but many of them may have been extrajudicial.

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