Dear Prolife Colleague,

We will continue to bring to your attention the the world abortion scene. Governental and non-governmental agencies are applying immense pressure on countries where abortion is not legal, seeking to force laws that will legalize abortion. A major push is being made to prevent maternal mortality, esp in underdeveloped countries, by legalizing abortion to decrease the number of women who bring pregnancies to term. The number of women who die of abortion complications will almost certainly be under-reported (as they probably are in the USA right now-as you know, abortion reporting here is "voluntary"---it is difficult to get accurate stats with "voluntary" reporting of data.)

To counter worldwide pressure to legalize abortion, C-Fam is sponsoring a UN Petition for the Unborn Child. It declares the "right to life of every human being, from conception to natural death, each child having the right to be conceived, born and educated within the family." This petition has a strong prolife message, whatever your religious affiliation. Check it out at

http://www.c-fam.org/campaigns/lid.2/default.asp#petition and consider adding your name.

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