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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

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Security Council

10 a.m. 4942nd meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
2004 substantive session

4–6 p.m. 260th meeting Conference Room 4

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

The General Committee will hold open-ended consultations, *open to all delegations*, on Friday, 16 April 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, to discuss Conference Room Paper A/58/CRP.5 (Historical and analytical note on the practices and working methods of the Main Committees) and also continue with discussions on Conference Room Paper A/58/CRP.6¹.

¹ Conference Room Papers on revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (A/58/CRP.3 to 6) can be downloaded from the ODS.



Ad Hoc Committee on the Scope of Legal Protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel

Working Group of the Whole

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 3
3–6 p.m.	4th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 3

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

2004 session

Working Group

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests

Informal consultations

The Bureau of the fourth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests will hold informal consultations on the preparations for the meeting of the ad hoc expert group on consideration with a view to recommending the parameters of a mandate for developing a legal framework on all types of forests, *today*, 13 April 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of Permanent Missions and other interested delegations are invited to attend.

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 13 April 2004

Caribbean Community (CARICOM)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
1.15–2.45 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Francophone Ad hoc Group on Sustainable Development *(at the experts level)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

OIC Group *(on Third Committee matters) (at the experts level)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Group of 77 *(core group meeting on Small Island Developing States (SIDS))*

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

4.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Briefing on the Secretary-General's note for the 26 April 2004 special meeting of the Economic and Social Council (organized by the Financing for Development Office, DESA)

There will be a briefing to present the note by the Secretary-General for the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, organized by the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, *today*, 13 April 2004, from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Briefing on the upcoming events in relation to the International Partnership for Sustainable Development in Mountain Regions (organized by the Permanent Missions of Switzerland, Italy and Peru)

There will be a briefing to provide information on the upcoming events in relation to the International Partnership for Sustainable Development in Mountain Regions, which will be held during the Commission on Sustainable Development. The briefing, organized by the Permanent Missions of Switzerland, Italy and Peru, will be held *today*, 13 April 2004, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B. Members of Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/pressg/conf.htm.

Tuesday, 13 April 2004*Room S-226*

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 14 April 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m.	84th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
	Global road safety crisis: draft resolution (A/58/L.60)	[160]
3 p.m.	85th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
	The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict	[21]
	(a) Letter from South Africa transmitting the report on the Kimberley Process (A/58/623)	
	(b) Draft resolution (A/58/L.59)	

General Assembly

Committee on Information

Twenty-sixth session

The twenty-sixth session of the Committee on Information will take place at Headquarters from 26 April to 7 May 2004. The Committee will hold its general debate from 26 to 28 April 2004 in Conference Room 2. Delegations wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers should contact the secretariat (tel. 1 (212) 963-6555).

There will be an interactive dialogue between the Department of Public Information and the delegations attending the session on Monday, 26 April 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Committee on Contributions

Sixty-fourth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its sixty-fourth session at Headquarters from 7 to 25 June 2004.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237C in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States to the President of the General Assembly at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a complete review of the requests. In accordance with this provision, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly no later than 24 May 2004. For further information, please contact the Secretary of the Committee on Contributions (room S-1841; tel. 1 (212) 963-5866 or 963-5791; or fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also consider multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4B. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee on Contributions for further information.

Economic and Social Council

Informal “informals”

The Economic and Social Council will hold informal “informals”, convened by the Permanent Mission of Bhutan and the Permanent Mission of Jamaica, on Friday, 16 April 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss the matter of transition from relief to development.

Organizational session for 2004

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on 4 and 5 May 2004. In accordance with past practice, the Bureau of the Council has established a deadline for submission of candidatures at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 21 April 2004. Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the Secretary-General, with a copy to Ms. Nancy Beteta in the Economic and Social Council Affairs Division (room S-2950K; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). The Chairmen of the regional groups for the month of April are likewise kindly invited to advise the Secretariat of any endorsed candidates as well as other candidatures from their groups. A list of candidates for these elections will be available in the office of the Secretary of the Council (room S-2950), from Friday, 23 April 2004.

Commission on Sustainable Development

Twelfth session

The twelfth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development will be held from 14 to 30 April 2004 at Headquarters. The first meeting will be convened on Wednesday, 14 April, at 10 a.m. The annotated provisional agenda of the session is contained in document [E/CN.17/2004/1](#) and the proposed organization of work and other background information are available at the following Web site:
www.un.org/esa/sustdev/csd/csd12/csd12.htm.

The high-level segment of the session will take place from 28 to 30 April. Information on thematic topics of the high-level segment is contained in the proposed organization of work mentioned above.

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail barrosa@un.org; copy to bawar@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that statements during the high-level segment will be limited to 3 minutes each. Delegations are invited to send electronic versions of their statements to the Secretariat (dsd@un.org) for posting on the Web site of the Secretariat devoted to the twelfth session of the Commission.

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names**Twenty-second session**

The twenty-second session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will take place at Headquarters from 20 to 29 April 2004. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document GEGN/22/1. Further information on the session can be found at <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/ungegn.htm>. Members of the Group of Experts and observers wishing to participate in the session are kindly requested to submit the composition of their delegations to the secretariat of the Group of Experts (room DC2-1640; fax 1 (212) 963-9851; e-mail laaribi@un.org).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Ad Hoc Expert Group on the Short- and Medium-term Prospects of the World Economy (Project LINK)

The Ad Hoc Expert Group on the Short- and Medium-term Prospects of the World Economy (Project LINK) will meet at Headquarters from 14 to 16 April 2004 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)

There will be a meeting of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC) on Wednesday, 14 April 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

JUSCANZ Group (*on Commission on Sustainable Development*)

There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (*on Commission on Sustainable Development*) on Monday, 19 April 2004, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

UNITAR workshop on the negotiation of international legal instruments

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a workshop on the negotiation of international legal instruments for members of Permanent Missions in New York. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Monday, 19 April, to Thursday, 22 April 2004. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 14 April. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop on population dynamics and the environment

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing jointly with the World Bank Institute and the Environment Department of the World Bank a workshop on population dynamics and the environment for members of Permanent Missions in New York. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 20 April 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is *today*, 13 April. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta (room DC1-603C; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

As part of the series on policy awareness and training in information technology, the first high-level seminar of this year on "Policy awareness and security issues in information technology" and the official launching ceremony for the 2004 series, organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 23 April 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

This interactive seminar is primarily aimed at ambassadors and other diplomats. However, all interested staff members as well as representatives of non-governmental organizations are welcome to attend. The seminar will focus on the role of technology in distance learning.

This is the third annual series, presented under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation. For further information please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR/WIPO workshop on international intellectual property

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing jointly with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) a workshop on international intellectual property for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Monday, 26 April 2004, from 9.45 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the WIPO Office.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Monday, 19 April. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta (room DC1-603 C, tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).

Announcements**Security Council****Daily informal briefings**

As from Monday, 5 April 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the

Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Monday, 12 April 2004

General Assembly**Ad Hoc Committee on the Scope of Legal Protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel**

5th meeting

Opening of the session

The Chairman, Mr. Christian Wenaweser (Liechtenstein), opened the Ad Hoc Committee.

Election of officers

The Ad Hoc Committee filled the vacant seat for the Rapporteur by electing Mr. Mahmoud Samy (Egypt).

Adoption of the agenda

The Ad Hoc Committee adopted its agenda as contained in document [A/AC.264/L.6](#).

Organization of work

The Ad Hoc Committee adopted the work programme proposed by the Bureau.

The Ad Hoc Committee agreed to meet in the form of a Working Group of the Whole from Monday morning.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network. Bangkok, 18 November 2003

Opening for signature

In accordance with its article 5 (1), the above Agreement shall be open for signature by States which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) at Shanghai, China, from 26 to 28 April 2004, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 1 May 2004 to 31 December 2005. The signature ceremony in Shanghai will be held during the sixtieth session of ESCAP on Monday, 26 April 2004, at the Shanghai International Convention Center.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russian texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General additionally notes that States may become party to the Agreement by definitively signing the Agreement, by signing the Agreement subject to ratification, acceptance or approval followed by ratification, acceptance or approval, or by accession. Since the Agreement provides for two legally distinct types of signature, States wishing to sign the Agreement must confirm that they are signing the Agreement definitively or subject to ratification, acceptance or approval in the instrument of full powers. If full powers are not required, then such confirmation should be communicated by means of a formal note.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement could notify, and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be excessively injurious or to have indiscriminate effects (Protocol V, entitled Protocol on explosive remnants of war). Geneva, 28 November 2003

Opening for consent to be bound

The Protocol is open for consent to be bound by all States in accordance with article 4 of the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects, 1980.

Consistent with the current practice, States wishing to deposit instruments of consent to be bound to the Protocol are advised to contact the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat, Room S-3200C, New York, N.Y. 10017 (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

Other announcements

DPI/NGO Stakeholder Forum

The DPI/NGO Section in collaboration with the Task Force for Child Survival and Development and the Permanent Mission of the Sultanate of Oman to the United Nations is organizing a Stakeholder Forum entitled “Global Road Safety: A Shared Responsibility”. The Stakeholder Forum will be held on Thursday, 15 April 2004 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Web sites

Presidency of the General Assembly:

www.un.org/arabic/ga/58/president/bio.htm
www.un.org/chinese/ga/58/presskit/bio.htm
www.un.org/ga/president
www.un.org/french/ga/president/58/office/president.html
www.un.org/russian/ga/58/presskit/bio.htm
www.un.org/spanish/aboutun/organs/ga/58/presidente/president.html

General Assembly:

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www.un.org/chinese/ga/58/
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www.un.org/french/ga/58/
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www.un.org/spanish/ga/58/

Department of General Assembly and Conference Management:

www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_arabic.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_chinese.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_eng.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_french.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_russian.htm
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_spanish.htm

Presidency of the Security Council:

www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency/
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/
www.un.org/spanish/docs/presidency/

Security Council:

www.un.org/arabic/sc/
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/

www.un.org/french/docs/cs/
www.un.org/sc/
www.un.org/russian/sc/
www.un.org/spanish/docs/sc/

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/russian/document/sdocs/committees/1373
www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html

Economic and Social Council:

www.un.org/arabic/ecosoc/
www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc/
www.un.org/french/ecosoc/2004/
www.un.org/russian/ecosoc
www.un.org/spanish/documents/esc/index.htm
www.un.org/chinese/ecosoc/2004/index.html

Department of Economic and Social Affairs:

www.un.org/esa

Irish presidency of the European Union:

www.eu2004.ie
<http://europa-eu-un.org>

Journal of the United Nations:

www.un.org/Docs/journal/En/lateste.pdf
www.un.org/Docs/journal/Fr/latestf.pdf

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 12 April 2004.

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
General Assembly	Official Records
	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/23	Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples for 2003 — Supplement No. 23 [A C E F R S]
	Fifty-ninth session
A/59/22	Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property — 1-5 March 2004 — Supplement No. 22 [A C E F R S]

General Assembly**Documents****Fifty-eight session**[A/58/251/Add.2](#)

Agenda of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

[A/58/252/Add.2](#)

Allocation of agenda items for the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Committee on Information**Twenty-sixth session**[A/AC.198/2004/1/Add.1](#)

Provisional agenda and annotations/programme of work — Addendum — Annotations/programme of work [A C E F R S]

Security Council**Documents**[S/2004/171](#)

Letter dated 27 February 2004 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

[S/2004/215](#)

Letter dated 3 March 2004 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

[S/2004/280](#)

Note by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities[S/AC.37/2004/\(1455\)/13](#)

Letter dated 17 March 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]

Economic and Social Council**Official Records****Commission for Social Development**[E/2004/26-E/CN.5/2004/8](#)

Report on the forty-second session (21 February 2003 and 4-13 and 20 February 2004) — Supplement No. 6 [E F S]

Economic and Social Council**Documents****Commission for Social Development**[E/2004/26-E/CN.5/2004/8](#)

Report on the forty-second session (21 February 2003 and 4-13 and 20 February 2004) [A C R]

Resumed organizational session for 2004[E/2004/L.1/Add.5](#)

Item 4 — Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments — Election of eight members to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues from among candidates nominated by Governments — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* may be sent to room S-2370 (tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-6776; fax 1 (212) 963-4790; e-mail journal@un.org).

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