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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

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Security Council

10 a.m.	4951st meeting	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question	
Morning ¹	Consultations of the whole (closed).	Consultations Room
	The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question	
	Other matters	

¹ To be held following the adjournment of the 4951st meeting.

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

General debate

(21–24 September 2004, 27 September–1 October 2004)

Delegations are reminded that *today, 23 April 2004*, is the deadline to inform the Secretariat of their participation at the general debate in the plenary of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be communicated, in writing, and hand-delivered to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940B or S-2925).

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m.–1 p.m. 1533rd meeting (closed) Conference Room 9

General Assembly**Disarmament Commission**

2004 substantive session

Committee of the Whole

10–11 a.m. Conference Room 4

Plenary

11 a.m.–1 p.m. 265th meeting Conference Room 4

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2004

10.30 a.m. Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations convened by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Jagdish Koonjul (Mauritius), on the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization

Morning¹–1 p.m. 7th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [2]

Special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization

¹ Following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Commission on Sustainable Development

Twelfth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 12th meeting Conference Room 1

Thematic cluster for the implementation cycle 2004-2005 [3]

(c) Human settlements ([E/CN.17/2004/6](#))

Financing human settlements development: interactive dialogue

Urban governance, the role of local authorities and the contribution of civil society groups: interactive dialogue

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	12th meeting (parallel)	Conference Room 2
	Thematic cluster for the implementation cycle 2004-2005	[3]
	(b) Sanitation (E/CN.17/2004/5)	
	Hygiene, sanitation and water management at the household and community levels: interactive dialogue	
	Eco-technologies – potential for and key obstacles to scaling up and marketing of sanitation: interactive dialogue	
3–6 p.m.	13th meeting	Conference Room 1
	Review of progress in implementation from a regional perspective from the UN ECA Region	
	Interactive dialogue	
	Overall review from their country's perspective of the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the further implementation of Agenda 21 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation	
	Statements	
3–6 p.m.	13th meeting (parallel)	Conference Room 2
	Thematic cluster for the implementation cycle 2004-2005	[3]
	(c) Human settlements (E/CN.17/2004/6)	
	Planning the sustainable city: partnerships and city development strategies: interactive dialogue	
	Reconstruction and recovery following conflicts and natural disasters: interactive dialogue	

Partnerships Fair

10–11.30 a.m.		Conference Room 6
	Presentations: Water and sanitation partnerships	
11.30 a.m.–1 p.m.		Conference Room 6
	Interactive discussion: Water and sanitation partnerships	
3–6 p.m.		Conference Room 6
	Partnership presentations	

[Background information on the twelfth session of the Commission is available at www.un.org/esa/sustdev/csd/csd12/csd12.htm.]

[*Note:* The list of side events on the occasion of the twelfth session of the Commission can be consulted at www.un.org/esa/sustdev/csd/csd12/side_event_schedule.pdf.]

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names

Twenty-second session

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	7th meeting	Conference Room 3
	Meeting of the working group on toponymic data files and gazetteers	[9]
	Meeting of the working group on romanization systems	[11]
3–6 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 3
	Meeting of the working group on country names	[12]

Economic and Social Council

Informal “informals”

Informal “informals” of the Economic and Social Council, convened by the Permanent Mission of Bhutan and the Permanent Mission of Jamaica, to discuss the matter of transition from relief to development, will take place *today*, 23 April 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

**Executive Board of the United Nations Development
Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund**

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations *today*, 23 April 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5, on the report of the Commission on the Private Sector and Development entitled “Unleashing Entrepreneurship: Making Business Work for the Poor”.

Other meetings

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Friday, 23 April 2004**JUSCANZ Group** (*Commission on Sustainable Development matters*)

9–9.45 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9
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African Group (*on Fifth Committee matters*)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8
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African Group: Group of Experts on Third Committee Matters

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C
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Group of 77 (*special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization; and UNCTAD*)

10–10.30 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (*twelfth session of the Commission on Sustainable Commission*)

2.15–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (*Committee on Information matters*)

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

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Press conferences

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

Friday, 23 April 2004*Room S-226*

11.15 a.m. Mr. Miloon Kothari, Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on adequate housing (on his missions to Afghanistan, Kenya, the Occupied Palestinian Territory and Peru)

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings**General Assembly**

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

The second part of the resumed session of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session will be held from 3 to 28 May 2004. The status of preparedness of documentation will be issued as document [A/C.5/58/L.67](#).

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.

Preparatory Committee for the 2005 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

Third Session

The third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2005 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held from 26 April to 7 May 2004 at United Nations Headquarters.

A general debate on issues related to all aspects of the work of the Preparatory Committee is expected to be held on 26 and 27 April. The list of speakers for the general debate is open as of 5 April. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee (Ms. Bertha Mae Ortiz (tel. 1 (212) 963-0846)).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 220th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 29 April 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. The meeting will be open to observers. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee could be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document [A/50/26](#), paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Chairman of the Committee or to the Secretary of the Committee (room S-3420B; fax 1 (212) 963-6430) any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

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

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. The agenda for the session is contained in document [E/2004/2/Add.1](#). In accordance with past practice, the Bureau of the Council had established a deadline for the 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. Background information on the elections is contained on the Web site of the Economic and Social Council (www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc).

Special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization

The special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization will take place on Monday, 26 April 2004, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Member States are requested to convey to the secretariat of the Council the composition of their delegation for this meeting at the earliest. This information may be sent to the Economic and Social Council secretariat (fax 1 (212) 963-5935), with a copy to DESA/OESC (fax 1 (212) 963-3351).

The six round tables, to be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., will address the overall theme of the meeting (Coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus). Institutional stakeholders and other United Nations organizations are also invited to indicate (Economic and Social Council secretariat) their preferences for participating in the round tables.

Round table A: Theme 1 “Impact of private investment and trade-related issues on financing for development”

Round table B: Theme 1 “Impact of private investment and trade-related issues on financing for development”

Round table C: Theme 2 “Role of multilateral institutions in reaching the Millennium Development Goals”

Round table D: Theme 2 “Role of multilateral institutions in reaching the Millennium Development Goals”

Round table E: Theme 3 “Debt sustainability and debt relief”

Round table F: Theme 3 “Debt sustainability and debt relief”

Thematic identity between the round tables A-B, C-D, and E-F is intended to make the discussions as participatory and interactive as possible.

It is emphasized that the nature of the meeting will be a free-flowing discussion and *would therefore have no list of speakers in advance or introductory or written statements*. The time limit per intervention will be of 3 minutes.

Background information on the coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus, to be used as a basis for discussion, is available on the following Web sites: www.un.org/esa/ffd and www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc/.

There will be a live Web cast of the meeting at the following address: www.un.org/webcast/index.asp.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

Informal consultations

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations on Tuesday and Wednesday, 27 and 28 April 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

2004 regular session

The 2004 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 10 to 28 May 2004 in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda with annotations is contained in document [E/C.2/2004/1](#)¹. Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation, is available on the Web site of the NGO Section, DESA (www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo).

¹ To be issued.

Commission on Sustainable Development**Twelfth session**

The high-level segment of the twelfth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development will take place from 28 to 30 April 2004. Information on thematic topics of the high-level is available at www.un.org.esa.sustdev/csd/csd12/csd12.htm.

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.

Delegations that have not yet inscribed on the list of speakers for the high-level segment are kindly requested to do it as soon as possible via e-mail (barrosa@un.org; copy to bawar@un.org).

United Nations Forum on Forests**Fourth session**

The fourth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests will be held from 3 to 14 May 2004 at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 3 May 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room XVIII, at the Palais des Nations. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document [E/CN.18/2004/1](#).

Delegations of Member States of the United Nations Forum on Forests and observers wishing to attend the fourth session of the Forum are kindly requested to communicate by 27 April 2004 the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Representatives of Member States of the United Nations Forum on Forests, specialized agencies, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council *not* holding a valid UNHQ or UNOG ground pass are kindly requested to transmit by 27 April 2004 a duly completed Registration Form, available on the Forum's Web site (www.un.org/esa/forests/session-registration.html) to the Forum's secretariat (Ms. María Luz Aragon (room DC2-2386; fax 1 (917) 367-3186)). Such ground passes will become available by Friday, 30 April 2004 (afternoon), at the Security Identification Unit, Villa les Feuillantines, 13 Avenue de la Paix, 1211 Geneva 10. To collect their ground passes, delegates shall present the original or a copy of their registration form and a valid passport or national photo-identity card.

**Executive Board of the United Nations Development
Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund****Informal consultations**

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations as follows: Tuesday, 27 April, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 5, on the background paper on the overview of UNDP's support to poverty reduction strategies; Tuesday, 4 May, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6, on the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2004*; and on Wednesday, 5 May, from 3 to 4.30 p.m., on options for the joint reporting on the Multi-year Funding Framework (conference room to be announced). Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement *(with other States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons)*

There will be a meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement *(with other States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons)* on Monday, 26 April 2004, from 9.15 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta (room DC1-603C; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).

Briefings on the process of the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)

There will be a briefing *for members of the European Union and the JUSCANZ Group* on the process of the implementation of the Convention of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) by the Executive Secretary, Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, on Monday, 26 April 2004, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 10.

There will be a briefing *for members of the Eastern European Group* on the process of the implementation of the Convention of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) by the Executive Secretary, Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, on Thursday, 29 April 2004, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Eastern European Group (*meeting of experts*)

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European Group (*meeting of experts*) on Monday, 26 April 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 10.

Briefing on the Paris Ministerial Forum on Financing for Development (organized by the delegations of France and the United Kingdom to the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization)

There will be a briefing on the Paris Ministerial Forum on Financing for Development by the delegations of France and the United Kingdom to the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization on Monday, 26 April 2004, at 5.15 p.m. in Conference Room 6, or immediately following the adjournment of the special high-level meeting in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Heads of delegation or their representatives are invited to attend.

Briefing on the activities of the Global Commission on International Migration

There will be a briefing on the activities of the Global Commission on International Migration (GCIM), organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 27 April 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director, Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-3179).

Round table on “Do the MDGs signal an end to the era of international development cooperation?”

There will be a round table on “Do the MDGs signal an end to the era of international development cooperation?”, co-sponsored by the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the World Federation of United Nations Associations, on Tuesday, 27 April 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Briefing on the upcoming third session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

There will be a briefing for representatives of Permanent Missions on the upcoming third session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, on Wednesday, 28 April 2004, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. Modules 1 to 4 of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. Module 5, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology.

Cycle II of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held between 7 May and 1 July and on 9 September 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements**Briefing on UNCTAD XI**

The President of General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Julian Hunte, will host a one-day informal briefing on the status of preparations for UNCTAD XI (Sao Paulo, Brazil, 13-18 June 2004), to be held on Tuesday, 27 April 2004, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

From 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., briefings will be given by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD; by H.E. Mr. Michel Adam, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations at Geneva, who will speak on behalf of H.E. Mr. Zukang Sha, Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations at Geneva and Chair of the Preparatory Committee of UNCTAD XI; by H.E. Mr. Luiz Felipe de Seixas Correa, Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations at Geneva and representative of the host country of UNCTAD XI, as well as by the Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD. H.E. Mr. Ransford Smith, Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the United Nations at Geneva and Chair of the Group of 77 Preparatory Committee for UNCTAD XI, will also participate.

From 3 to 5 p.m., briefings will be given by H.E. Mr. Michel Adam, on trade as well as on other substantive issues arising from the preparatory process; by the Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD; and by the Directors of UNCTAD, on key negotiating matters in each of the four substantive themes of the Conference.

There will be opportunities for questions and answers in both morning and afternoon sessions. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. A copy of the programme is available from the New York Office of UNCTAD (room DC2-1120; tel. 1 (212) 963-6893; e-mail unctadny1@un.org).

Commemorative meeting for ten years of freedom in South Africa: the role of the United Nations

The President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Julian Hunte, recalling the role of the United Nations, is hosting a commemorative meeting for ten years of freedom in South Africa, to be held on Tuesday, 27 April 2004 *from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.* in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The programme will include a message from H.E. Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa, to be delivered by H.E. Mr. Dumisani Kumalo, Permanent Representative of South Africa; as well as statements by Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations; H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi, President of the Economic and Social Council and Permanent Representative of Finland; H.E. Mr. Gunter Pleuger, President of the Security Council and Permanent Representative of Germany; Mr. Ibrahim Gambari, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa and former Chairman of the Special Committee against Apartheid; Ms. Angela King, Assistant Secretary-General and former Chief of the United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa; H.E. Mr. Rastam Mohd Isa, Permanent Representative of Malaysia and Chairman of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement; and H.E. Mr. Filipe Chidumo, Permanent Representative of Mozambique and Chair of the African Union; as well as Chairs of the regional groups for the month of April: H.E. Mr. Le Luong Minh, Permanent Representative of Viet Nam, on behalf of the Asian States; Ms. Roksanda Ninčić, Chargé d'affaires, a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Serbia and Montenegro, on behalf of the Eastern European States; H.E. Mr. Lamuel Stanislaus, Permanent Representative of Grenada, on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States; and H.E. Mr. Dan Gillerman, Permanent Representative of Israel, on behalf of the Western European and other States.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2004 Fellowship Programme is Friday, 30 April 2004. Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Department for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch Palais des Nations (room D-616) 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland.

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

Wednesday, 21 April 2004

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Sustainable Development

Twelfth session

8th meeting (parallel) *Thematic cluster for the implementation cycle 2004-2005*. [3]

(a) *Water*

Thematic discussion on water

The Commission continued its consideration of the sub-item.

Interactive dialogue (Part I)

Meeting the financial challenge for water – incentives to promote reforms and leverage resources

The following experts made brief “lead-off” remarks: Thierry Chambolle, Advisor, Suez, and Chairman, International Chamber of Commerce Contact Group, France; Ravi Narayanan, Director, WaterAid, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and John Wasielewski, Director, Office of Development Credit, USAID.

The delegations of Switzerland, South Africa, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Norway, Denmark, Dominica, France, Austria, Saudi Arabia, Australia, Costa Rica and the Netherlands made statements.

Statements were made by representatives of the following major groups: women; trade unions; non-governmental organizations; local authorities; and farmers.

The observer for the European Community made a statement.

The experts responded to questions raised and comments made.

A statement was also made by the observer for the United Nations Environment Programme.

Interactive dialogue (Part II)

Empowering stakeholders to ensure participation, in particular, women as agents of change

The following experts made brief “lead-off” remarks: Kerstin Müller, Minister of State, Germany; Ravi Narayanan, Director, WaterAid, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Marie-Elise Gbèdo, l’Association des Femmes Juristes du Bénin, Benin; and Linette Vassell, Community Development and Gender Specialist, Ministry of Water and Housing, Jamaica.

The Chairman made a statement

The delegations of Turkey, Venezuela, Canada, Ireland, Japan, the United States, the United Republic of Tanzania, France and Switzerland made statements.

Statements were made by representatives of the following major groups: women; business and industry; trade unions; indigenous people; and farmers.

The Chairman summarized the discussion.

9th meeting

Other matters [5]

The Commission began its consideration of the item.

Status reports requested by CSD-11 covering inter-agency coordination, partnerships, national reporting and indicators

The Director, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, introduced the reports contained in documents [E/2004/12-E/CN.17/2004/3](#), [E/CN.17/2004/16](#) and [E/CN.17/2004/17](#).

The representatives of Belgium, Qatar, Costa Rica, the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United Kingdom, Mexico, Slovenia, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, India, South Africa, Cuba, the United States, Nigeria and Burkina Faso made statements.

The representative of the United Nations Environment Programme also made a statement.

The observers for the trade unions and women (on behalf of the major groups) also made statements.

The Director, Division for Sustainable Development, and other representatives of the Secretariat responded to questions raised.

9th meeting (parallel)

Thematic cluster for the implementation cycle 2004-2005 [3]

(b) *Sanitation*

Thematic discussion on sanitation

The Commission continued its consideration of the sub-item.

Interactive dialogue (Part I)

Status of implementation of the Millennium Development Goals/Johannesburg Plan of Implementation goals related to sanitation, from local to global levels

The following experts made brief “lead-off” remarks: Gourisankar Ghosh, Executive Director, Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council; Jamie Bartram, Coordinator, Water, Sanitation and Health, World Health Organization; and Albert Wright, Co-Chair, Millennium Development Goals Task Force on Water and Sanitation.

Statements were made by the delegations of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey; and the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro and the EFTA country, Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), Kenya, India, Indonesia, Nigeria, Japan, Mexico, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Venezuela, the Netherlands, Côte d’Ivoire and Pakistan.

Statements were made by representatives of the following major groups: women; trade unions; and youth and children.

The experts responded to questions raised and comments made.

*Interactive dialogue (Part II)**Strategies for improving access to basic sanitation*

The following experts made brief “lead-off” remarks: Gourisankar Ghosh, Executive Director, Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council; Vanessa Tobin, Chief, Water, Environment and Sanitation Section, United Nations Children’s Fund; Patrick Kahangire, Director, Department of Water, Uganda; and Bernardo Monge Ureña, Director, Dirección Protección Ambiente Humano, Costa Rica.

Statements were made by delegations of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey; and the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro and the EFTA country, Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), the United Kingdom, Switzerland, South Africa, Pakistan, Burkina Faso, France, Austria and the United States.

Statements were made by representatives of the following major groups: women; non-governmental organizations; and trade unions.

The Chairman summarized the discussion.

Thursday, 22 April 2004

Security Council

4948th meeting

Children and armed conflict

Report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict (S/2003/1053 and S/2003/1053/Corr.1 and S/2003/1053/Corr.2)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document [S/2004/314](#), prepared in the course of the Council’s prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution ([S/2004/314](#)) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2004/314) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1539 (2004).

4949th meeting

Decision of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to abandon its weapons of mass destruction programmes

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council ([S/PRST/2004/10](#)).

4950th meeting

Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council invited the representatives of Albania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Canada, Cuba, Egypt, India, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Namibia, Nepal, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Peru, the Republic of Korea, Singapore, South Africa, Sweden,

Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan and Thailand, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines, Brazil, Algeria, China, Spain, France, Angola, Chile, the United Kingdom, Benin, Romania, Pakistan, the Russian Federation and the United States, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Germany.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Peru, New Zealand, South Africa, India, Singapore, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro, and the EFTA country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), Sweden, Japan, Switzerland, Israel, Cuba, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Malaysia, Mexico, Belarus, Norway, Australia, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, Argentina, Austria, Jordan, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Nicaragua, Nepal, Nigeria, Tajikistan, Albania, Namibia, Kuwait and Thailand.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Sustainable Development

Twelfth session

10th meeting *Thematic cluster for the implementation cycle 2004-2005. [3]*

(b) Sanitation

The Commission continued its consideration of the sub-item.

Interactive dialogue (Part I)

Creating a demand for sanitation and promoting hygiene through awareness raising and marketing strategies, taking into account cultural and social preferences and obstacles

The following experts made brief "lead-off remarks": Bindeshwar Pathak, Founder of Sulabh International, New Delhi, India; and Peter Kolsky, Senior Water and Sanitation Specialist, World Bank.

Statements were made by the delegations of China, Norway, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area), the United States, the Russian Federation, France, the United Kingdom, the Republic of Korea, South Africa, India, Uganda, Australia, Cuba, Côte d'Ivoire, Benin, the Netherlands and Lesotho.

The observers for scientific and technological communities and trade unions (on behalf of the major groups) made statements.

Interactive dialogue (Part II)

From wastewater to sustainable sanitation

The following experts made brief “lead-off remarks”: Peter Kolsky, Senior Water and Sanitation Specialist, World Bank; Dato’ Ir Lee Yee Cheong, President, World Federation of Engineering Organizations and Co-Chair, MDG Task Force on Science and Technology, Malaysia; Paul Reiter, Executive Director, International Water Association, United Kingdom; and Cees van de Guchte, Senior Programme Officer/GAP, UNEP.

Statements were made by the delegations of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area), Mexico, Senegal, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Fiji and the United Kingdom.

The observer of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN), an intergovernmental organization accredited to the Commission, made a statement.

The observers for the non-governmental organizations, indigenous peoples, business and industry and women (on behalf of the major groups), made statements.

10th (parallel), 11th and 11th (parallel) meetings

The summary of the 10th (parallel), 11th and 11th (parallel) meetings of the Commission will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2004/79).

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names

Twenty-second session

5th meeting

Summary reports of the working groups [7]

The Group of Experts resumed its consideration of this item and heard reports presented by the convenors of the working groups on Publicity and funding, pronunciation and terminology.

The Group of Experts concluded its consideration of this item.

Meeting of the working group on training courses in toponymy [8]

The Group of Experts began its consideration of this item and heard the report of the convenor of the working group on training courses in toponymy. This was followed by presentations and discussions, in which the Chairperson of the Group of Experts and the representatives of the Asia South-East and Pacific South-West, United States of America-Canada, Arabic, Dutch and German-speaking, French-speaking and Africa South Divisions participated.

The Group of Experts concluded its consideration of this item.

Meeting of the working group on toponymic data files and gazetteers [9]

The Group of Experts began its consideration of this item and heard presentations and discussions, in which the convenor of the working group and the representatives of the Asia East (other than China), United States of America-Canada, Dutch and-German speaking and Norden Divisions participated.

6th meeting

Meeting of the Working group on toponymic data files and gazetteers [9]

The Group of Experts resumed its consideration of this item and heard a statement by the Director of the United Nations Cartographic Section, followed by a presentation. Subsequently, the representatives of the following Divisions participated in a discussion: Africa South; United States of America-Canada; Arabic; Asia South-East and Pacific South-West; Dutch and German-speaking; and East Central and South-East Europe. The Director of the United Nations Cartographic Section responded to questions raised.

The Group of Experts also heard presentations and held discussions, in which the convenor of the working group and the representatives of the East Central and South-East Europe, United States of America-Canada, Baltic, United Kingdom, Norden, Africa South, Arabic, Dutch and German-speaking and Romano-Hellenic Divisions participated. The Chairperson of the Group of Experts and the observer for the Holy See also participated in the discussions.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention to facilitate the crossing of frontiers for passengers and baggage carried by rail. Geneva, 10 January 1952

Accession: Albania (22 April 2004)¹

International Convention to facilitate the crossing of frontiers for goods carried by rail. Geneva, 10 January 1952

Accession: Albania (22 April 2004)¹

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Signature: Vanuatu (22 April 2004)

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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).

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and Registration Registration of Treaties

Wednesday and Thursday, 26 and 27 May 2004 (United Nations Headquarters)

The primary objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. In view of the annual treaty event entitled "Focus 2004: Treaties on the Protection of Civilians", which will be held from 21 to 24 September 2004 during the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly, there will be a particular emphasis on treaties relating to the protection of civilians.

The seminar is intended, in particular, for members of permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other legal personnel, especially legal counsellors and legal advisers, involved with the preparation of treaty actions to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General, and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the Charter as well as matters of public international law, specifically treaty law.

The seminar will provide participants with practical hands-on experience on the basic aspects of international treaty law and practice, as well as the technical aspects of undertaking treaty actions such as signatures, ratifications, accessions, etc. It will consist of core lectures, case studies and practical exercises to assist the participants in undertaking multilateral treaty actions more effectively.

Invitations to the Permanent Missions along with details relating to time, venue and registration will be forthcoming. For more information, please contact the Treaty Section (Ms. Lynne Moorhouse (tel. 1 (212) 963-1373)).

Other announcements

United Nations University workshops

The United Nations University will hold a workshop on “An Overview of Integrated Water Resource Management” *today*, 23 April 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D. For more information, please visit www.unu.edu. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Eighteenth anniversary of the accident at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant

Annual Chernobyl Charity Bazaar

On the occasion of the eighteenth anniversary of the accident at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant, the Permanent Missions of the Republic of Belarus, the Russian Federation and Ukraine to the United Nations are organizing a traditional International Chernobyl Charity Bazaar. This event will take place on Tuesday, 27 April 2004, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. in the South Lobby of the Secretariat building. The proceeds will be used to benefit the children of the 1986 Chernobyl disaster. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and all interested are invited to participate in this charity event.

Film screening

There will be a screening of the Academy Award-winning film “Chernobyl Heart” on Tuesday, 27 April 2004, from 6 to 7.15 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

[*Note:* Anyone wishing to attend the screening must RSVP to chernobylevent@un.org.]

Web sites

Presidency of the General Assembly:

www.un.org/arabic/ga/58/president/bio.htm

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

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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
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S/2004/307	Letter dated 31 March 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2004/308	Letter dated 31 March 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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S/Agenda/4947	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
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