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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

Monday, 3 May 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 40th meeting Conference Room 3

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2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors ([A/58/5](#), Vol. II, [A/58/737](#) and [A/58/759](#)). [118]

Introduction and general discussion

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Security Council

The presidency of the Security Council for the month of May 2004 (Pakistan) will hold a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month of May, on Tuesday, 4 May 2004, following the consultations of the whole, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). Delegations can view the press briefing in Studio 4 located in the First Basement.

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available to Member States in accordance with the Notes by the President of the Security Council dated 27 July 1993 ([S/26176](#)) and 30 April 1998 ([S/1998/354](#)). In accordance with the aforementioned decisions, copies of the tentative forecast have been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' pick-up areas as of *Monday, 3 May 2004*.



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Introduction and general discussion

General Assembly

Committee on Information

Twenty-sixth session

10 a.m.–12 noon Conference Room 2

Commemoration of World Press Freedom Day (see p. 14)

Open-ended Working Group

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

[There will be a closed meeting of the Bureau of the Committee on Information on Monday, 3 May 2004, at 9.45 a.m. in the suite of offices of Conference Room 2.]

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group on Transport Law

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Open meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

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

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

Third Session

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

3–6 p.m. 12th meeting Conference Room 4

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2004

10 a.m. Informal consultations (closed) Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations convened by the President of the Council, H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), on issues before the organizational session for 2004

Morning¹–10.30 a.m. 10th meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Adoption of the Agenda and other organizational matters ([E/2003/8](#), [E/2003/95](#), [E/2004/10](#), [E/2004/11](#), [E/2004/L.5](#) and [E/2004/L.6](#)) [2]

Action on draft proposals

¹ Following the adjournment of the informal consultations of the Council.

Economic and Social Council

Meeting to assess the Ad Hoc Advisory Groups on
African Countries Emerging from Conflicts

- 10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Open meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber
- Opening of the meeting
- Opening remarks by H.E. Mr. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), President of the Economic and Social Council Chamber, and H.E. Mr. Munir Akram (Pakistan), President of the Security Council
- Assessment of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau
- Statement by H.E. Mr. João Jose Silva Monteiro, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Guinea-Bissau
- (Documents [E/2003/8](#), [E/2003/95](#), [E/2004/10](#) and [E/2004/11](#))
- 3–6 p.m. Open meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber
- Assessment of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi
- Introductory remarks by H.E. Mr. Jagdish Koonjul (Mauritius), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council Chamber
- Statement by H.E. Mrs. Séraphine Wakana, Minister of Planning, Reconstruction and Development of Burundi
- Dialogue on lessons learned and follow-up recommendations on the work of the Ad Hoc Advisory Groups
- Concluding remarks

Other meetings

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Monday, 3 May 2004

OIC Group (*at the experts level*) (*Commission on Population and Development*)

- 10–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (*Commission on Population and Development matters*)

- 11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (*Committee on Information matters*)

- 1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (*draft resolution [A/58/L.8/Rev.1](#)*)

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

Press conferences

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

Monday, 3 May 2004

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon Ms. Carina Perelli, Director of the Electoral Assistance Division, Department of Political Affairs (on Iraq)

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 4 May 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m.	41st meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning ¹	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

¹ Following the adjournment of the 41st meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

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).

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on Wednesday, 5 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C, to discuss the report of the Committee for Development Policy (Graduation of Maldives and Cape Verde).

Informal panel discussion on the reform of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council will hold an informal panel discussion on the reform of the Council, organized by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs, on Friday, 7 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The panel will be chaired by H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), President of the Council, and moderated by Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs. The panellists will include H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Permanent Representative of Guatemala; Professor Ivan Šimonović, University of Zagreb School of Law; Mr. Jonathan Moore, Associate at the Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy, Kennedy School, Harvard University; Professor Edward Luck, Director of the Center on International Organization of the School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University; Ms. Nafis Sadik, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for HIV/AIDS in the Asia and the Pacific; and Mr. James O.C. Jonah, Senior Fellow of the Ralph Bunche Institute for International Studies.

Members of Permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the

media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Commission on Population and Development

Informal “informals” of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the facilitator, Mrs. Kitty van der Heijden (Netherlands), on outstanding issues before the Commission will be held on Tuesday, 4 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

The 9th meeting of the Commission on Population and Development will be held on Thursday, 6 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

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.

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 the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Forum, Mr. Moncef Khane (fax 011-4122-917-0079).

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 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 (fax 011-4122-917-0326). The ground passes were made available on 30

April 2004, 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.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Third session

The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will hold its third session from 10 to 21 May 2004 at United Nations Headquarters. The session will be opened by the Secretary-General, the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council, together with an indigenous elder and an indigenous woman, on Monday, 10 May 2004, at 12 noon in Conference Room 2.

A high-level panel and dialogue on “Indigenous women”, to be held on Monday, 10 May 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, will be addressed by Mrs. Njuma Ekundanayo, Vice-Chairperson of the Permanent Forum; Mrs. Kyung-wha Kang, Chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women; Mrs. Noeli Pocaterra, the Second Vice-President of the National Assembly of Venezuela; Mrs. Mary Robinson, Chairperson of the Council of Women World Leaders, Executive Director of the Ethical Globalization Initiative, former United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and former President of Ireland; and Ms. Stella Tamang, Chairperson of the International Indigenous Women’s Caucus. The panel will be chaired by Mr. Ole Henrik Magga.

The provisional agenda is contained in document [E/C.19/2004/1](#) and the proposed organization of work is contained in document [E/C.19/2004/L.1](#). Delegations wishing to send observers to the session are requested to inform the secretariat (fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item are requested to inform the secretariat (fax 1 (212) 963-5305; or e-mail leong@un.org).

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Seventh session

The seventh session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, from 24 to 28 May 2004. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 24 May, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room XXVI. Further information on the work of the Commission and the upcoming session can be found at the following Web site addresses: <http://stdev.unctad.org/> and http://stdev.unctad.org/un/ecn16_2004_1.doc.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers who wish to participate, are kindly requested to send the composition of their delegations to the Office of Mr. Mongi Hamdi, Chief, Technology for Development Section, Policies and Capacity-building Branch, Division on Investment, Technology and Enterprise Development, UNCTAD, Geneva (tel. 011-4122-917-5069; fax 011-4122-907-0197; e-mail mongi.hamdi@unctad.org). Inquiries on the upcoming seventh session can also be directed to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (room S-2950F; tel. 1 (212) 963-9963; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Other forthcoming meetings

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United Nations Development Programme

The last informal meeting on the process of consultations with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2004* will be held on Tuesday, 4 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

African Group (*Fifth Committee matters*)

There will be a meeting of the African Group (*Fifth Committee matters*) on Wednesday, 5 May 2004, from 1.15 to 3 p.m. in the Conference Room 5.

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).

Briefing on “High Seas Bottom Trawling and its Impact on Biological Diversity” (co-sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Namibia and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs)

In preparation for the forthcoming fifth meeting of the Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea, a briefing on “High Seas Bottom Trawling and its Impact on Biological Diversity”, co-sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Namibia to the United Nations and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, will be held on Wednesday, 12 May 2004, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Announcements

Security Council

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

Thursday, 29 April 2004

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Sustainable Development

Twelfth session

20th meeting

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

“Responding to the challenges”

Opening statements were made by Ms. Marina Silva, Minister of Environment (Brazil); and Ms. Margaret Beckett, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).

Statements were also made by Mr. Mark Malloch Brown, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); Ms. Carol Bellamy, Executive Director, United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF); Mrs. Anna Tibaijuka, Executive Director, United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat); and Mr. Klaus Töpfer, Executive Director, UN Environment Programme (UNEP).

Statements were made by Mr. Martin Cullen, T.D., Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government (Ireland) (on behalf of the European Union); Mr. John Turner, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Department of State (United States of America); Mr. Kahinda Otafiire, Minister of Water, Lands and Environment (Uganda); Mr. Carsten Staur, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Denmark); Mr. Hafiz Uddin Ammad, Minister for Water Resources (Bangladesh); Ms. Sylvia T. Masebo, Minister of Local Government and Housing (Zambia); Mr. Serge Lepeltier, Minister for Ecology and Sustainable Development (France); Mr. Choisuren Baatar, Permanent Representative to the United Nations (Mongolia); Ms. Martha Karua, M.P., Minister for Water Resources Management and Development (Kenya); Mr. Virgilio Fontes Pereira, Minister of Urbanism and Environment (Angola); Mr. Admou Namata, Minister of Water, Environment and Combat Against Desertification (Niger); Ms. Patricia M. Hajabakiga, Minister of State in Charge of Land and Environment (Rwanda); Ms. Viveka Bohn, Ambassador, Ministry of Environment (Sweden); and Mr. Miklós Persányi, Minister of Environment and Water (Hungary).

Statements were also made by Ms. Kerstin Leitner, Assistant Director-General, Sustainable Development and Healthy Environments (WHO); Ms. Joke Waller-Hunter, Executive Secretary (UNFCCC); Mr. Kiyotaka Akasaka, Deputy Secretary General, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD); and Mr. John Monyo, Assistant Secretary-General, Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO).

The Commission thus concluded its discussion on “Responding to the challenges”.

The Chairman of the Commission opened the discussion on the theme of “Releasing the energy of entrepreneurs and partnerships”.

Introductory statements were made by Ms. Paula Dobriansky, Under-Secretary of State for Global Affairs, State Department (United States of America); and Mr. Bjørn Stigson, President of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development.

Statements were made by Mr. Martin Cullen, T.D., Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government (Ireland) (on behalf of the European Union); Mr. Elliot Morley, Minister for the Environment (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern

Ireland); Mr. Olav Kjørven, Deputy Minister for International Development (Norway); Mr. David Anderson, Minister of Environment (Canada); Mr. Denys Gauer, Ambassador in charge of Environment (France); Mr. Corrado Clini, Director General, Ministry for the Environment and Territory (Italy); Mr. Murari Raj Sharma, Permanent Representative to the United Nations (Nepal); and Mr. Achim Steiner, Director-General, International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN).

A statement was also made by Mr. Kees van der Ree, Senior Specialist, International Labour Organization (ILO). Dr. Steve Lennon, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), also made a statement.

The Commission thus concluded its discussion on “Releasing the energy of entrepreneurs and partnerships”.

21st meeting The summary of the 21st meeting of the Commission will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2004/85).

Friday, 30 April 2004

Security Council

4959th meeting *The situation in Côte d'Ivoire*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Côte d'Ivoire, at his 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 provisional rules of procedure of the Council.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council ([S/PRST/2004/12](#)).

4960th meeting *Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998) 1203 (1998) 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Serbia and Montenegro, at his 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 provisional rules of procedure of the Council.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council ([S/PRST/2004/13](#)).

4961st meeting *The question concerning Haiti*

Report of the Secretary-General on Haiti (S/2004/300)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Haiti, at his 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 President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document [S/2004/334](#), which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution ([S/2004/334](#)) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution ([S/2004/334](#)) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1542 (2004).

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Sustainable Development

Twelfth session

22nd, 23rd and 23rd (resumed) meetings

The summary of the 22nd, 23rd and 23rd (resumed) meetings of the Commission will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2004/85).

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 30 April 2004

Economic and Social Council

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Thirty-second session

United Nations Office at Geneva

9th–10th meetings *Consideration of reports* [6]

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Kuwait ([E/1990/5/Add.57](#)). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report and replied to questions raised and comments made by the members of the Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Objection to the declaration made by Jordan upon ratification: Finland (29 April 2004)¹

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Sweden (30 April 2004)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Signature: Canada (30 April 2004)

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Aarhus, 24 June 1998

Approval: European Community (30 April 2004)¹

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Accession: Armenia (30 April 2004)¹

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Ratification: Mongolia (30 April 2004)¹

Ratification: United Republic of Tanzania (30 April 2004)¹

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 United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 1 May 2004 to 31 December 2005. The signature ceremony in Shanghai was 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.

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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 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

Commemoration of World Press Freedom Day (3 May)

There will be an observance of World Press Freedom Day, organized by the Department of Public Information, on *Monday, 3 May 2004*, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2, as part of the twenty-sixth session of the Committee on Information. The opening segment will include remarks by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the Chairman of the Committee on Information, the Director of the UNESCO Office in New York and the President of the United Nations Correspondents Association. This segment will be followed at 10.50 a.m. by a panel discussion on “Reporting and Under-reporting: Who Decides?”. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Event on the theme “New Approaches to the Challenges of HIV/AIDS and Development”

An event on the theme “New Approaches to the Challenges of HIV/AIDS and Development”, organized by the HIV/AIDS Group, UNDP, and the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development, will take place on Tuesday, 4 May 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mrs. Roma Stibravy, Co-Chair (tel. 1 (212) 703-5069); or Mr. Joe Annan (tel. 1 (212) 906-5074).

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be “Sustainable Development and Education” (in observance of the United Nations Literacy Decade, 2003-2012). The briefing will be held on Thursday, 6 May 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. 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).

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of May 2004 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Botswana
H.E. Mr. Alfred M. Dube

Asian States:

Mongolia
H.E. Mr. Baatar Choisuren

Eastern European States:

Slovakia
H.E. Ms. Klára Novotná
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Guatemala
H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal

Western European and other States:

Italy
H.E. Mr. Marcello Spatafora

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www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html

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Irish presidency of the European Union:

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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 30 April 2004.

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
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A/C.3/58/SR.35	Meeting held on 6 Novembre 2003, 3 p.m. [A C E F R S]
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A/58/688/Add.7	Item 124 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Letter dated 29 April 2004 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/58/759/Add.2	Items 134 and 147 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara — Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005 of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/58/759/Add.4	Items 134 and 137 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus — Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005 of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
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- [A/58/759/Add.9](#) Item 134 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005 of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi — Status of the implementation of the strategic deployment stocks — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
- [A/58/759/Add.11](#) Items 134 and 136 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina — Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and report on the disposition of assets of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]

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- [S/2004/288*](#) Reissued for technical reasons [S (only)]
- [S/2004/330](#) Draft resolution [A C E F R S]
- [S/2004/332](#) Letter dated 28 April 2004 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- [S/Agenda/4957](#) Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
- [S/Agenda/4958](#) Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
- [S/RES/1541](#) (2004) Adopted by the Security Council at its 4957th meeting [A C E F R S]

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- [E/2004/L.1/Add.17](#) Item 4 — Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments — Election of five members of the International Narcotics Control Board from among candidates nominated by Governments — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
- [E/2004/L.1/Add.18](#) 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 — Withdrawal of candidature [A C E F R S]
- [E/2004/L.1/Add.19](#) Item 4 — Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments — Election of nine members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights — Note by the Secretary-General — Withdrawal of candidature [A C E F R S]
- [E/2004/L.1/Add.20](#) Item 4 — Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments — Election of one member of the International Narcotics Control Board from among candidates nominated by Governments, pursuant to article 9, paragraph 1 (b), of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 as amended by the 1972 Protocol — Note by the Secretary-General — Withdrawal of candidature [A C E F R S]

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