

Thursday, 13 May 2004



# Journal

## of the United Nations

### Programme of meetings and agenda

#### Official meetings

Thursday, 13 May 2004

#### Security Council

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

3.30 p.m. . . . . 101st meeting (closed). . . . . Conference Room 7

#### Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Monday, 17 May 2004, in the Security Council Chamber, on the “United Nations peacekeeping operations”. Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the secretariat (room S-3520; or tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from Wednesday, 12 May 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *five minutes*.

#### General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

On Thursday, 20 May 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, the General Committee will hold the 9th open-ended informal consultations on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, *open to all delegations*, to discuss the reform of the General Committee to increase its efficiency and effectiveness, in accordance with paragraph 1, Annex B of resolution [A/RES/58/126](#).

## General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

### Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m. . . . . 43rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations  
peacekeeping operations . . . . . [134]

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Audit policies and procedures for recruiting staff for the Department of Peacekeeping  
Operations ([A/58/704](#))

Evaluation of the impact of the recent restructuring of the Department of Peacekeeping  
Operations ([A/58/746](#))

Review of the administration of peacekeeping trust funds ([A/58/613](#))

*Introduction and general discussion*

Morning<sup>1</sup>–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the  
financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Support account ([A/58/703](#),  
[A/58/703/Add.1](#), [A/58/715](#) and [A/58/760](#)))

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

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Programme budget for the biennium 2004-  
2005: Strengthening the security and safety of United Nations Operations, staff and  
premises ([A/58/756](#) and [A/58/758](#)))

<sup>1</sup> Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

## General Assembly

### Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

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

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Operations in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI)
2. Draft report

## Economic and Social Council

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 9  
 Informal consultations convened by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Yashar Aliyev (Azerbaijan), on the multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Council

### Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

10 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 1

Morning<sup>1</sup>–1 p.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification  
 (E/C.2/2004/R.2 and Add.1-3 and 5, Add.4 and 6-10<sup>2</sup>, E/C.2/2004/R.3) . . . . . [3 (b)]

3–6 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters . . . . . [2]

Requests for hearings at the 2004 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification  
 (E/C.2/2004/R.2 and Add.1-3 and 5, Add.4 and 6-10<sup>2</sup>, E/C.2/2004/R.3) . . . . . [3 (b)]

<sup>1</sup> Following the adjournment of the informal consultations of the Committee.

<sup>2</sup> To be issued.

### Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Third session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Mandated areas . . . . . [4]

(e) Culture (*continued*)

[*Note:* Member States are reminded to inform the secretariat (fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977) formally of their participation in the third session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, in order to be correctly reflected in the final report for the session.]

[*Note:* The list of side events on the occasion of the third session of the Forum can be consulted at [www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii/news/side%20events\\_3rdsession.htm](http://www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii/news/side%20events_3rdsession.htm).]

## Other meetings

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**Thursday, 13 May 2004**

### African Union

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

### Group of 77 (*Fifth Committee matters*)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

### Eastern European Group

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

### Briefing on the Science and Technology Programme of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), UNCTAD and WIPO)

There will be a briefing on the Science and Technology Programme of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), UNCTAD and WIPO, *today*, 13 May 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Ejeviome E. Otobo, Chief of Policy Analysis and Monitoring Unit, OSAA (tel. 1 (212) 963-5006); Ms. Susan Brandwayn, Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD (tel. 1 (212) 963-4319); or Mr. Orobola Fasehun, Director, WIPO Office, New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-4109).

### Panel discussion on "Highlights from the Sixtieth Session of the Commission on Human Rights" (organized by the International NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

There will be a panel discussion on "Highlights from the Sixtieth Session of the Commission on Human Rights", organized by the International NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, *today*, 13 May 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

## Press conferences

*The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at [www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm](http://www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm).*

**Thursday, 13 May 2004**

Room S-226

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

## Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 14 May 2004

### General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

#### Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5  
3 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

### General Assembly

#### Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters Related to the Security Council

##### *Informal consultations*

The Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters Related to the Security Council will hold informal consultations with H.E. Mr. Munir Akram (Pakistan), President of the Security Council, and other Council members, on Friday, 14 May 2004, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

#### Panel of Governmental Experts on the Issue of Missiles in All its Aspects

Second session

The second session of the Panel of Governmental Experts on the Issue of Missiles in All its Aspects will be held from 17 to 21 May 2004. The first meeting will be held on Monday, 17 May 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

#### 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.

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## Economic and Social Council

### *Informal consultations*

Informal consultations of the Economic and Social Council will be held on Friday, 14 May 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, under the chairmanship of the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Yashar Aliyev (Azerbaijan), on the multi-year work programme of the Coordination segment.

Informal consultations of the Economic and Social Council will be held on Friday, 21, May 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, under the chairmanship of the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Yashar Aliyev (Azerbaijan), on the issue of mainstreaming a gender perspective of the coordination segment.

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## 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](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](mailto: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](mailto:gustafik@un.org)).

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## Committee for Programme and Coordination

### Forty-fourth session

#### *Organizational session and substantive session*

The organizational session of the forty-fourth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Tuesday, 1 June 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, and its substantive session from 7 June to 2 July 2004.

The annotated provisional agenda for the session and a note by the secretariat on the status of documentation are contained in documents [E/AC.51/2004/1](#) and [E/AC.51/2004/L.1](#), respectively.

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Delegations are reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating at the forty-fourth session to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Mr. Movses Abelian (room S-2633A; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

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## **United Nations Children's Fund**

### **Executive Board**

#### *Pre-session briefing*

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its annual session will take place on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document [E/ICEF/2004/8](#). All delegations are invited to attend.

#### *Annual session for 2004*

The annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 7 to 11 June 2004 in Conference Room 2.

The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document [E/ICEF/2004/8](#). Documentation for the session is available on the UNICEF Web site ([www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index\\_20479.html](http://www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_20479.html)).

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 4 June 2004.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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

#### *Pre-session informal consultations*

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the annual session 2004, on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

#### *Annual session 2004*

The annual session 2004 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 14 to 23 June 2004 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document [DP/2004/L.2](#). Delegates, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but no later than Tuesday, 2 June 2004.

**Other forthcoming meetings**

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

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*core group on Small Island Developing Countries (SIDS)*) on Friday, 14 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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**Workshop on “NGOs in Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council – Rights and Responsibilities” (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)**

A workshop on “NGOs in Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council – Rights and Responsibilities”, organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held as follows: Friday, 14 May 2004, from 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9; Wednesday, 19 May, and Wednesday, 26 May, from 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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**Informal consultations on the Mauritius International Meeting (organized by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand)**

There will be informal consultations, organized by H.E. Mr. Don MacKay, Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations, from 17 to 19 May 2004, on remaining pending issues in relation to the outcome document of the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States. The informal consultations will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6, and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3. Members of Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

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**UNITAR briefing on the Economic and Social Council for members of the Council**

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing on the Economic and Social Council for members of the Council. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 20 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

The briefing is intended primarily for representatives of those States that are members of the Council. Depending on the availability of space, delegates from other States may be able to attend as observers.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all States that are members of the Economic and Social Council in 2004. The registration deadline is Friday, 14 May 2004. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).



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**Western European and Other States Group**

There will be a meeting of the Western European and Other States Group on Friday, 21 May 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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**UNITAR seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties**

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly organizing a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 26 May 2004, in Conference Room 2, and on Thursday, 27 May, in Conference Room 6.

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

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**Announcements****Postponement of the Mauritius International Meeting**

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, wishes to announce that the Government of Mauritius has requested postponement of the International Meeting and has proposed that the Meeting be held from 10 to 14 January 2005, preceded by the informal consultations on 8 and 9 January 2005. Steps are being initiated to have the matter considered by the General Assembly of the United Nations for a decision regarding the new dates.

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**Background information on the 2004 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council and on its coordination segment**

Background information on the 2004 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council will be available on the Web site of the Council, as of 3 p.m. *today*, 13 May 2004, ([www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc](http://www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc)).

Background information on the coordination segment of the 2004 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (item 4 (b) of the provisional agenda: Coordinated and integrated United Nations system approach to promote rural development in developing countries, with due consideration to least developed countries, for poverty eradication and sustainable development), is also available at the following address: [www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc/esc04ruraldevreportug.03v.pdf](http://www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc/esc04ruraldevreportug.03v.pdf).

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

As from Wednesday, 5 May 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 in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

**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, 12 May 2004**

**General Assembly**

Fifty-eighth session

**Fifth Committee**

Second part of the resumed session

42nd meeting

*Organization of work*

The Chairman made a statement and drew the attention of the Committee to a letter from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee allocating agenda item 167 (Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti) ([A/C.5/58/1/Add.3](#)) to the Fifth Committee.

*Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005* . . . . . [121]

*Strengthening the security and safety of United Nations Operations, staff and premises*

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Management, who introduced the report of the Secretary-General ([A/58/756](#)).

The chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee ([A/58/758](#)).

Statements were made by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union; 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, Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA country, member of the European Economic Area Iceland), Brazil (on behalf of the Rio Group), Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia), the United States, Switzerland, China, the Russian Federation, Japan, Norway, the Republic of Korea and the United Republic of Tanzania.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management made a concluding statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would begin on Thursday, 13 May 2004, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Mr. Ronald Elkhuizen (Netherlands).

*Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (A/58/531/Add.1)* . . . . [123]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the Europe Union; 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, Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area Iceland and Norway), South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Japan, China, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, Pakistan, India, Algeria, Nigeria, the Syrian Arab Republic and Morocco.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management made a concluding statement.

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## Economic and Social Council

### Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

5th meeting

*New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification* . . [3 (b)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Turkey, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Cuba, China, Pakistan, France, Romania, Peru, Senegal, Cameroon, India, the Russian Federation, Colombia and Chile.

A statement was made by the representative of ATHGO International, a non-governmental organization.

6th meeting

*New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification* . . [3 (b)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Romania, France, Chile, China, Peru, Cuba, Cameroon, Germany, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan, Turkey, India, Colombia and Senegal.

Statements were made by the representatives of All India Shah Behram Baug Society and Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace, non-governmental organizations.

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### Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Third session

5th meeting

*Mandated areas* . . . . . [4]

(f) *Education*

The Forum concluded its discussion of the item and heard statements by the observers of the following countries and organizations: United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR); Canada; New Zealand; Consejo Nacional de Mujeres Indígenas del Ecuador; Mexico; Integrante de la Coordinadora Nacional de Mujeres Indígenas de Mexico; Chile; Boarding School Healing Project; Venezuela; Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus; Guatemala; Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation; African Indigenous Women Organization; Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepard; Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs; Awaete Kaiwa Guarani Nhandeva; Mejlis of Crimean Tatar People; Saami Council; Inuit Circumpolar Conference; International Youth Caucus; Kamakakuokalani Center for Hawaiian Studies; Ogiek Rural Integral Projects/Ogiek People's Development Program; Land is Life; Consultoria de los Pueblos Indígenas en el Norte de Mexico; Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas; IPPAC/Tamaynut; Mbororo Social Cultural and Development Association; Nacionalidad Zapara del Ecuador; Haudenosaunee Six Nations; and Indian Council of South America; Aymara Artist Organization; and Asociación Indígena Salvadoreña.

The following members of the Forum made statements: Mr. Willie Littlechild; Mr. Marcos Matias Alonso; Mr. Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca; and Ms. Ida Nicolaisen.

## 6th meeting

*Mandated areas* . . . . . [4]*(e) Culture*

Statements were made by the observers of the following countries and organizations: UNDP; World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO); UN-Habitat; Finland; American Indian Law Association/Seventh Generation Fund; Mexico; Montagnard Foundation Inc.; Flying Eagle Women; International Indigenous Women's Caucus; Conseil des Innus du Nitassinan; Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus; Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation; African Indigenous Women Organization; Te Runanga o NGAI TAHU Treaty Tribes Coalition; Rapa-Nui Parliament; International Youth Caucus; Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism and Na Koa Ikaika o Ka Lahui Hawaii/Association of Indigenous Village Leaders in Suriname/International Indian Treaty Council/Indigenous Youth Caucus/Rapa Nui Parliament/The Traditional Circle of Indian Elders and Youth/Call of the Earth/Concerned Women for Peace for Sudan/African Indigenous Women's Organization/Indigenous Information Network/Kamakakuokalani Center for Kaaiian Studies; Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action; Indigenous Peoples' Program of the World Council of Churches; Hawaii Caucus; Saami Council and Inuit Circumpolar Conference; and Pacific Concerns Resource Center/Bangsa Adat Alifuru, Dewan Adat Papua/'Ilio 'ulaokalani Coalition/Prince Kujio Hawaiian Civil Club/The Koani Foundation/Rapa Nui Parliament/Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu/Te Rapunga o Poutama/Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission/National Association for Community Legal Centres/National Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation/Presentation Association/World Council of Churches/Bureau of Consultation for West Papua Indigenous Community Development.

The Chairperson made a statement.

The following members of the Forum made statements: Ms. Otila Lux de Coti; Mr. Willie Littlechild; Ms. Miliani Trask; and Mr. Wayne Lord.

## Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

**Tuesday, 11 May 2004**

### Economic and Social Council

#### United Nations Forum on Forests

Fourth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

9th meeting *Common items for each session: Country experiences and lessons learned* . . . [5 (c)]

The Forum resumed its consideration of the item.

The Chairman made a statement.

A statement was also made by the Coordinator and Head of the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

#### *Panel discussion on implementation day with a focus on SIDS – “SIDS Day”*

Presentations were made by H.E. Dr. Rafael Francisco de Moya Pons, Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, Dominican Republic; Mr. Rolph Payet, Principal Secretary, Department of Environment, Seychelles; Dr. Eugene Hendrik, Director, Ministry of Agriculture, Ireland; Dr. Graham Watkins, Acting Director-General, Iwokrama Project, Guyana; Mr. Simione Rokoalaga, Permanent Mission of Fiji to the United Nations in New York; and Ms. Mette Loyche Wilkie, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO.

Ms. JoAnne Disano, Director of the Division on Sustainable Development, Department on Economic and Social Affairs, acted as moderator.

Statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand, Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Mauritius, Grenada, Australia, the United States, Guyana, Jamaica, Indonesia, Canada and Nicaragua.

**Wednesday, 12 May 2004**

### General Assembly

#### International Law Commission

Fifty-sixth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

2797th meeting *Shared natural resources* . . . . . [7]

The Special Rapporteur, Mr. Chusei Yamada, introduced his second report on the topic ([A/CN.4/539](#) and [A/CN.4/539/Add.1](#)).

The Commission began its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's second report and decided to establish a working group.

## 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

25th meeting	<i>Consideration of reports</i> . . . . . [6]
	The Committee discussed and adopted its concluding observations on the initial report of Kuwait ( <a href="#">E/1990/5/Add.57</a> ).
26th meeting	<i>Consideration of reports</i> . . . . . [6]
	The Committee discussed and adopted its concluding observations on the second periodic report of Ecuador ( <a href="#">E/1994/104/Add.26</a> ).

### Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

#### [Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

*Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997*

*Accession:* Estonia (12 May 2004)<sup>1</sup>

*Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000*

*Ratification:* Estonia (12 May 2004)<sup>1</sup>

*Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000*

*Ratification:* Estonia (12 May 2004)<sup>1</sup>

*Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001*

*Ratification:* Estonia (12 May 2004)<sup>1</sup>

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

*Signature:* Togo (12 May 2004)

<sup>1</sup> 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 United Nations Headquarters in New York, until 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.

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](mailto: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)).

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## Other announcements

### DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be “The Family Today: Emerging Issues on the International Agenda” (in observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family). The briefing will be held *today*, 13 May 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and the media representatives are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlathshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

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### High-level seminar on “The Family at the Root of Social Development in All Societies” (organized by the IYF+10 Committee and sponsored by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

On the occasion of the International Day of Families 2004, there will be a high-level seminar on “The Family at the Root of Social Development in All Societies”, organized by the IYF+10 Committee, as part of the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family (1994). The seminar, sponsored by the Permanent Mission of the United States, will take place *today*, 13 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organization and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Hugh Dugan, Permanent Mission of the United States (tel. 1 (212) 415-4462).

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### Web sites

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[www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index\\_arabic.htm](http://www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/index_arabic.htm)  
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*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:*

[www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373](http://www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373)  
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[www.un.org/spanish/documents/esc/index.htm](http://www.un.org/spanish/documents/esc/index.htm)  
[www.un.org/chinese/ecosoc/2004/index.html](http://www.un.org/chinese/ecosoc/2004/index.html)

*Department of Economic and Social Affairs:*

[www.un.org/esa](http://www.un.org/esa)

*Irish presidency of the European Union:*

[www.eu2004.ie](http://www.eu2004.ie)

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*Journal of the United Nations:*

[www.un.org/Docs/journal/En/lateste.pdf](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/En/lateste.pdf)

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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 12 May 2004.*

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
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<a href="#">A/58/238</a>	Request for the inclusion of an additional sub-item in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session — Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of a member of the International Civil Service Commission — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
<a href="#">A/58/779</a>	Item 121 — Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Cooperation with the city and state of New York related to the capital master plan — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	<b>Committee on Conferences</b>
<a href="#">A/AC.172/2004/INF/1</a>	Membership of the Committee on Conferences [E (only)]
	<b>Ad Hoc Committee on scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel</b>
<a href="#">A/AC.264/2004/INF/1</a>	List of Participants [E F S (trilingual)]
<b>Security Council</b>	<b>Documents</b>
<a href="#">S/2004/330**</a>	Reissued for technical reasons [A (only)]

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<a href="#">S/2004/353</a>	Letter dated 4 May 2004 from the President of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991, addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
<a href="#">S/Agenda/4967</a>	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
<a href="#">S/RES/1541(2004)**</a>	Reissued for technical reasons [A (only)]

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<a href="#">DP/FPA/DCP/AZE/2</a>	Item 15 of the provisional agenda — United Nations Population Fund — Draft country programme document for Azerbaijan [E F S (only)]
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