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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

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Security Council

4 p.m. Consultations of the whole (closed). Consultations Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Other matters

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

The General Committee will hold the 9th open-ended informal consultations¹ on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, on Thursday, 20 May 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, 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](#).

The 5th meeting of the General Committee will be held on Thursday, 20 May 2004², in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to consider the request for the inclusion of an additional item ([A/58/237](#)) and the request for the inclusion of an additional sub-item ([A/58/238](#)).

¹ Open to all delegations.

² Immediately following the adjournment of the 9th open-ended informal consultations.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m.–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: Overview of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations ([A/58/705](#) and [A/58/759](#)); Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services: Audit policies and procedures for recruiting Department of Peacekeeping Operations staff ([A/58/704](#)); Evaluation of the impact of the recent restructuring of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations ([A/58/746](#)); Mission liquidation activities at the United Nations ([A/56/896](#) and [A/57/622](#)); Administration of peacekeeping trust funds ([A/58/613](#)); and Peacekeeping Reserve Fund ([A/58/724](#) and [A/58/732](#)))

3–6 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](#)))

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Meeting to elect the President of the fifty-ninth session, Vice-Presidents, Chairs and Bureaux of the Main Committees

Delegations are hereby requested to take note that on Thursday, 10 June 2004, at 10 a.m., the General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting to elect the President of the General Assembly for the fifty-ninth session (agenda item 4) and to elect the Vice-Presidents of that session (agenda item 6); consecutive meetings of the Main Committees will immediately follow for the purpose of electing their Chairpersons for the fifty-ninth session (agenda item 5); *for the first time this year*, and in accordance with paragraph 9, Annex B of resolution [A/RES/58/126](#) of 19 December 2003, the full Bureaux of the Main Committees shall similarly be elected on that day.

Any nominations for the Bureaux of Main Committees that have not yet been communicated to the General Assembly secretariat by the Chairmen of regional groups are requested to be sent as soon as possible to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be delivered *in writing* to room S-2925, or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-4230). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Joyce Sulahian (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

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

United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti

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

Second session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 1

New applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the previous session of the Committee (E/C.2/2004/CRP.1 and E/C.2/2004/CRP.2) [3 (a)]

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Third session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 12th meeting Conference Room 2

Mandated areas [4]

(a) Economic and social development

3–6 p.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 2

Mandated areas [4]

(b) Environment

[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.]

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 18 May 2004

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

8–9 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (*Fifth Committee matters*)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

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

2–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 (*multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council*)

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

Latin American and Caribbean Group (*coordination meeting*)

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

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

The informal consultations, organized by H.E. Mr. Don MacKay, Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations, 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, will continue *today*, 18 May 2004, 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.

Workshop for the national focal points on the implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries

The workshop for the national focal points on the implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries, organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Islands Developing States (OHRLLS), in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and the World Bank, will continue *today*, 18 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4. For further information, please contact Mrs. Zamira Eshmambetova (tel. 1 (917) 367-5225; e-mail eshmambetova@un.org), or visit the following Web site: www.un.org/ohrlls.

Press conferences

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

Tuesday, 18 May 2004

Room S-226

- 11 a.m. H.E. Mr. Philippe Djangone-Bi, Permanent Representative of Côte d'Ivoire (on the latest developments in his country)
- 12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman
- 3.40 p.m. H.E. Mr. Kostas Karamanlis, Prime Minister of Greece

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 19 May 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

- 10 a.m. 44th meeting Conference Room 3
- Morning¹ Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

¹ Following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Fifth 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

Informal consultations

Informal consultations on the multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council will be held under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Yashar Aliyev (Azerbaijan), Vice-President of the Council, on Thursday, 20 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 9.

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 Council, H.E. Mr. Yashar Aliyev (Azerbaijan), on the issue of mainstreaming a gender perspective of the coordination segment.

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. *The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2004/1.* Additional information on the work of the Commission and the upcoming session can be found at the following Web site address : <http://stdev.unctad.org/>.

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).

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.

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).

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).

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.

**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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Briefing for members of the Group of Interested States for the Special Court on Sierra Leone and other interested delegations (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

There will be a briefing, organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, for members of the Group of Interested States for the Special Court on Sierra Leone and other interested delegations, on Wednesday, 19 May 2004, from 12 noon to 1 p.m., to hear a presentation on the Court by Mr. Robin Vincent, Registrar of the Court. The briefing will take place at the Permanent Mission of Canada (One Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza, 885 Second Avenue).

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)

The 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 continue on Wednesday, 19 May 2004, and on 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.

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. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 20 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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.

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).

Informal consultation of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)

In preparation for the annual session of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold a second informal consultation on various issues pertaining to the Office, on Thursday, 27 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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.

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 is available on the Council Web site (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.

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

Monday, 17 May 2004

Security Council

4970th meeting

United Nations peacekeeping operations

Letter dated 10 May 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2004/378)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Fiji, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Malaysia, Namibia, Nepal, New Zealand, Peru, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Serbia and Montenegro, South Africa, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia and Ukraine, 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.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jean-Marie Guéhenno, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

A farewell address was made by the President to the Permanent Representative of Spain, His Excellency Mr. Inocencio F. Arias. Ambassador Arias made a statement in response.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The President made introductory remarks.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

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

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand, Japan and Ireland (speaking on behalf of the European Union; 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 Norway, a member of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with this statement).

Statements were also made by the representatives of Bangladesh, Tunisia, Egypt, Peru, Ukraine, India, Malaysia, Canada, Guatemala, Argentina, the Republic of Moldova, South Africa, Australia, Kazakhstan, Fiji, Namibia, Lebanon, Indonesia, Côte d'Ivoire, the Syrian Arab Republic, Serbia and Montenegro, Nepal, Armenia and the Republic of Korea.

Mr. Guéhenno responded to comments and questions raised.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council ([S/PRST/2004/16](#)).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

11th meeting

New applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the previous session of the Committee [3 (a)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item. Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Cuba, Germany, India, Pakistan, China, the Russian Federation, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and France,

A representative of Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum, a non-governmental organization, responded to questions raised by members of the Committee.

12th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 3 (a).

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Pakistan, Turkey, the United States, the Sudan, China, Cameroon, Senegal, Colombia, Germany, Peru and the Russian Federation.

Statements were made by the observers for Ghana, Nigeria and Viet Nam.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chairperson, after which statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, the Russian Federation, France, Turkey, India, the United States and Chile.

The Committee decided to revise its schedule of work.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Third session

11th meeting *Mandated areas* [4]

(e) Human rights

The Chairperson made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people; and Mr. Miguel Alfonso Martínez, Chairperson/Rapporteur, Working Group on Indigenous Populations.

The Forum concluded its discussion of the item and heard statements by the observers of the following countries and organizations: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; Innu Council of Nitassinan; Caucus de los Pueblos Indígenas de la Amazonía Ecuatoriana; Chile; International Indigenous Youth Caucus; Guatemala; United States; Indigenous Caucus on the World Bank and other Multilateral Development Banks; Mexico; Russian Federation; Delegación de los Pueblos Indígenas de Bolivia; Working Group on Armed Conflict Indigenous Caucus; North American Indigenous Caucus; and Sherpa Association of Nepal.

The following members of the Forum made statements: Mr. Parshuram Tamang; Mr. Antonio Jacanamijoy; Mr. Ayitegan Kouevi; Ms. Otila Lux de Coti; Ida Nicolaisen; Mr. Marcos Matías Alonso; Ms. Miliani Trask; Mr. Wayne Lord; Mr. Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca; and Mr. Yuji Iwasawa.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Monday, 17 May 2004

General Assembly

Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Committee against Torture

Thirty-second session

United Nations Office at Geneva

612th meeting *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention*
[7]

The Committee examined the third periodic report of Bulgaria (CAT/C/34/Add.16) in the presence of a delegation of the State party.

613th meeting (closed) *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* [7]

The Committee adopted its conclusions and recommendations on the report submitted by Germany.

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child

Thirty-sixth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

947th meeting *Adoption of the agenda* [1]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document [CRC/C/138](#).

Address by the Representative of the Secretary-General

The Committee was addressed by the Representative of the Secretary-General, Ms. Jane Connors.

Methods of work of the Committee [6]

General comments [7]

The Committee met in private and discussed issues related to general comments and to its working methods.

948th meeting (closed) The Committee continued its discussion of issues related to general comments and to its working methods.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention on Arrest of Ships, 1999. Geneva, 12 March 1999

Accession: Algeria (7 May 2004)¹

International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations. Rome, 26 October 1961

Accession: Georgia (14 May 2004)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Notification of nomination of conciliators under article 2 of annex V and of arbitrators under article 2 of annex VII of the Convention: Poland (14 May 2004)¹

Regulation No. 15. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles equipped with a positive-ignition engine or with a compression-ignition engine with regard to the emission of gaseous pollutants by the engine-method of measuring the power of positive-ignition engine-method of measuring the fuel consumption of vehicles. 1 August 1970

Cessation of application: Serbia and Montenegro (14 May 2004)¹

Regulation No. 67. Uniform provisions concerning: I. Approval of specific equipment of motor vehicles using liquefied petroleum gases in their propulsion system II. Approval of a vehicle fitted with specific equipment for the use of liquefied petroleum gases in its propulsion system with regard to the installation of such equipment. 1 June 1987

Application of regulation: Serbia and Montenegro (14 May 2004)¹

Regulation No. 75. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of pneumatic tyres for motor cycles and mopeds. 1 April 1988

Application of regulation: Serbia and Montenegro (14 May 2004)¹

Regulation No. 89. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Vehicles with regard to limitation of their maximum speed; II. Vehicles with regard to the installation of a speed limitation device (SLD) of an approved type; III. Speed limitation devices (SLD). 1 October 1992

Application of regulation: Serbia and Montenegro (14 May 2004)¹

Regulation No. 90. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of replacement brake lining assemblies and drum-brake linings for power-driven vehicles and their trailers. 1 November 1992

Application of regulation: Serbia and Montenegro (14 May 2004)¹

Regulation No. 96. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of compression ignition (C.I.) engines to be installed in agricultural and forestry tractors with regard to the emissions of pollutants by the engine. 15 December 1995

Application of regulation: Serbia and Montenegro (14 May 2004)¹

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

Ratification: Belgium (17 May 2004)¹

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

Signature: Brazil (17 May 2004)

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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

Signature: Maldives (17 May 2004)

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Signature: Honduras (17 May 2004)

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).

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

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be “Understanding DPI/NGO Communications: A Focus on Projects and Innovations”. The workshop will be held on Thursday, 20 May 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, and from 2 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 3. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Isolda Oca, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-8305) or Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Web sites

Presidency of the General Assembly:

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

www.un.org/chinese/ga/58/presskit/bio.htm

www.un.org/ga/president

www.un.org/french/ga/president/58/office/president.html

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