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Security Council

- 10 a.m. 4974th meeting Security Council Chamber
1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question
- Morning¹. Consultations of the whole (closed). Consultations Room
- The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question
- Burundi²
- Other matters

¹ To be held following the adjournment of the 4974th meeting.

² With a view to a formal meeting.

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Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate *today*, 21 May 2004, at 3 p.m. in connection with *United Nations peacekeeping*. Delegations wishing to speak should contact 1 (212) 963-5263. *Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than four minutes.*

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

The 88th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will be held on Monday, 24 May 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (see p. 6).



3 p.m. 4975th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. United Nations peacekeeping

Letter dated 20 May 2004 from the representatives of Canada, Ireland, Jordan, Liechtenstein and Switzerland addressed to the President of the Security Council ([S/2004/412](#))

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m.–1 p.m.. 1535th meeting (closed) Conference Room 9

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

Fifty-eighth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

- 10 a.m. 46th meeting Conference Room 3
1. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia ([A/58/744](#), [A/58/792](#) and [A/58/798](#)) [165]
Introduction and general discussion
 2. Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (1 July 2003-30 June 2004) ([A/58/772](#) and [A/58/794](#)) [138]
Introduction and general discussion
- Morning¹–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
- Informal consultations on agenda items 138 (Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo ([A/58/684](#), [A/58/701](#), [A/58/759/Add.10](#), [A/58/772](#) and [A/58/794](#))); and 165 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia ([A/58/744](#), [A/58/792](#) and [A/58/798](#)))
- 3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
- Informal consultations on agenda items 165 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia ([A/58/744](#), [A/58/792](#) and [A/58/798](#))); and 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 the Investigation into the fraudulent diversion of \$4.3 million by a senior staff member of the Reconstruction Pillar of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo ([A/58/592](#)); consideration of a draft resolution on cross-cutting issues)

¹ Following the adjournment of the 46th 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 Development Program (UNDP)
 2. Draft report

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.	19th meeting	Conference Room 1
	Consideration of special reports (E/C.2/2004/3)	[8]
	Introduction of draft resolution E/C.2/2004/L.2 ¹	
3 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 1
	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters	[2]
Afternoon ² –6 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 1

¹ To be issued.

² Following the adjournment of the 20th meeting of the Committee.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Third session

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 2
3–6 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2
	Future work of the Forum	[5]
	Draft agenda of the fourth session of the Forum	[6]
	Adoption of the report of the Forum on its third session	[7]
	<i>Closing of the session</i>	

[*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.]

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

Informal consultations on the issue of mainstreaming a gender perspective of the coordination segment, organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan, will be held today, 21 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other meetings

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Friday, 21 May 2004

African Group (*Third Committee*)

1.20–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (*draft ministerial declaration for the fortieth anniversary of the Group of 77*)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Eastern European Group (*expert group on candidatures*)

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

Latin American and Caribbean Group (*Third Committee experts*) (*on the draft resolution with regard to the preparations for the forty-third session of the Commission on Social Development*)

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

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

3.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Western European and Other States Group

3.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

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*, 21 May 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 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.

Friday, 21 May 2004

Room S-226

- 10 a.m. Mr. Richard Dicker, Director of the International Justice Programme of Human Rights Watch; Ms. Yvonne Terlingen, Representative of Amnesty International to the United Nations; and Ms. Caroline Baudot, Legal Research Officer of the NGO Coalition for the International Criminal Court (on United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1422 and 1487)
- Guest at 12 noon Ms. Catherine Bertini, Under-Secretary-General for Management (on the Organization's financial situation)
- 1.15 p.m. Mr. Ole Henrik Magga, Chairman of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; and Ms. Mililani Trask, member of the Forum (on the outcome of the Forum's third session)

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 24 May 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

- 10 a.m. 88th plenary meeting Conference Room 3
- Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: fourth report of the General Committee ([A/58/250/Add.3](#)) [8]

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m.	47th 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 47th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

General Assembly**Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities**

Third session

The Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities will hold its third session from 24 May to 4 June 2004. The session will be convened on Monday, 24 May, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

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**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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Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting to review the progress achieved in realizing the commitments set out in the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS” (organized by the Permanent Mission of Botswana)

Informal consultations, organized by H.E. Mr. Alfred M. Dube, Permanent Representative of Botswana, on the draft resolution entitled “Organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting to review the progress achieved in realizing the commitments set out in the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS” will take place on Monday, 24 May 2004, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C. All delegations are invited to attend.

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

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, 26 May 2004, 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.

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.

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*at the ambassadorial level*) on Thursday, 27 May 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNITAR/Columbia University Summer Institute on Global Issues Facing the United Nations

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and Columbia University are jointly organizing the Summer Institute on Global Issues Facing the United Nations. The opening meeting will be held on Monday, 7 June 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta (room DC1-603C; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).

Announcements

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban

On Tuesday, 25 May 2004, the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities will give a briefing to the Security Council pursuant to paragraph 12 of resolution 1526 (2004). Member States wishing to make statements at the meeting about their experiences in implementing the sanctions measures stipulated in paragraph 1 of resolution 1526 (2004) and any other issues related to the mandate of the Committee are invited to contact the Chairman's office (Ms. Carla Serazzi (e-mail CSerazzi@chileun.org; fax 1 (212) 832-8714)) and the Committee secretariat (Ms. Tatiana Cosio (e-mail Cosio@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1300)).

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

Wednesday, 19 May 2004

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2004 regular session

16th meeting

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [4 (b)]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and took note of a number of quadrennial reports.

A statement was made by the representative of Peru.

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

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Germany and Peru.

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 Germany, the United States, India, Senegal, Pakistan, Turkey, the Islamic Republic of Iran, China and the Sudan.

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [4 (a)]

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan and India.

The representative of World Muslim Congress, a non-governmental organization, responded to questions raised by members of the Committee.

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

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, Chile, Colombia, Senegal, the Sudan, Peru, Turkey and Cuba.

The representative of Foundation for the Social Promotion of Culture, a non-governmental organization, responded to questions raised by members of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement, after which statements were made by the representatives of China and Pakistan.

A statement was also made by the representative of Chile.

Thursday, 20 May 2004

Security Council

4973rd meeting

Briefing by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The agenda was adopted without objection.

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. Ruud Lubbers, High Commissioner for Refugees.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Lubbers.

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

Mr. Lubbers responded to comments and questions posed by members of the Council.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

General Committee

5th meeting

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items [8]

(a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by a number of Member States (A/58/237)

Statements were made by the representatives of France and the Netherlands.

In accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure, the representative of Monaco made a statement.

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Egypt, at his request, to address the General Committee.

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item be included in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session and that it be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional sub-item submitted by the Secretary-General (A/58/238)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the sub-item be included in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session under agenda item 17 and that it be allocated to the Fifth Committee.

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

45th meeting *Programme budget for the biennium* [121]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Management who presented a progress report on the capital master plan.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, Canada, Japan, the United Republic of Tanzania and Nigeria.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Economic and Social Council**Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

2004 regular session

17th meeting *Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the previous session of the Committee* [3 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item. A statement was made by the representative of Germany.

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

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, Cuba, Cameroon, Turkey, France, China, Chile, Germany, Sudan, Senegal, Colombia and the Russian Federation.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chief of the NGO Section after which statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Cuba, the United States, Colombia, Cameroon and Senegal.

18th meeting *Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council* [4 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, China, India, France, Cuba, the United States, Peru, Romania, Pakistan, Chile, the Sudan, Germany and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

A representative of International League for Human Rights, a non-governmental organization, responded to questions raised by members of the Committee.

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

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Germany.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Third session

15th meeting *Future work of the Forum* [5]

The Forum heard statements by the observers of the following countries and organizations: American Indian Law Alliance/Native Children's Survival/Teton Sioux Nation Treaty Council/Seventh Generation Fund/Tonatierra/CISA/Buffalo River/Dene Nation/Samson Cree Nation/Laguna Pueblo/Euchee Language Project, Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus, Mexico, Asian Indigenous Caucus, Indonesia, Bangladesh Indigenous Peoples's Forum/Parbatya Chattagram Jana Samhati Samiti/Jumma Peoples' Network/Trinamul/Taungya/Bawm Literatura Forum, Dominica, Nigeria, European Community, International Indigenous Youth Caucus, Saami Council/Inuit Circumpolar Conference, COBASE/Indian Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples North East Zone/Rural Development Society/Association of Nepalese Indigenous Journalists/Roje Eshanshali/Tinhinan/Makak Maku/Indian Young Professionals Foundation/Associação das Mulheres Indígenas do Centro d'Oeste Paulista/Associação Avaete Guarani Kaiava e Erena de Dourados/Threatened Indigenous Peoples Society/Masai Women Organization/Foundation for Indigenous Americans of Anasazi Heritage/Ecuadorian Indigenous Peoples Legal Support Office in America, Beijing Caucus, Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs/Indigenous Network on Economies and Trade, Land is Life/Comite Intertribal Brasil, Earth Peoples, Servicios en Comunicación Intercultural, Taymaynut/IPACC/Tinhinan/Tagast, Armenian Sisters, Haudenosaunee Six Nation, and Centre de Documentation, Recherche et Information des Peuples Autochtones.

The following members of the Forum made statements: Mr. Yuji Iwasawa, Mr. Ayitegan Kouevi, and Ms. Zinaida Strogalschikova.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Wednesday, 19 May 2004

General Assembly

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child

Thirty-sixth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

951st–952nd meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Panama ([CRC/C/70/Add.20](#)). In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

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

*Ratification: Maldives (20 May 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, 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).

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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**Secretary-General's Lecture Series**

The next lecture in the Secretary-General's Lecture Series will be held on Tuesday, 25 May 2004, from 1.25 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Chamber. The topic of the lecture will be “Who is Afraid of Human Rights?”. The Secretary-General hosts this lecture series on topics at the forefront of the humanities and natural sciences, as part of a continuing effort to create a strengthened framework for dialogue and mutual understanding within the United Nations community. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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