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Security Council

10:00 — 7886th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Maintenance of international peace and security

   Conflicts in Europe

   Letter dated 3 February 2017 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2017/108)

[Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*.]

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

2017 substantive session

10:00 to 13:00 — 249th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Opening of the session [item 1]
2. Election of officers [item 2]
3. Adoption of the agenda (A/AC.121/2017/L.1) [item 3]
4. Organization of work (A/AC.121/2017/L.2) [item 4]

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5. General debate (A/71/587, A/71/587/Add.1, A/71/658–S/2016/1018 and A/71/660–S/2016/1033) [item 5]

15:00 to 18:00 250th meeting Conference Room 1

General debate (A/71/587, A/71/587/Add.1, A/71/658–S/2016/1018 and A/71/660–S/2016/1033) [item 5]

[*PaperSmart* will be offered as an additional service for the 2017 substantive session of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations. The official documentation of the Special Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart portal by *clicking here* in all official languages.

The *list of speakers* for the general debate (21-22 February) is *open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)). In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries. Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart4@un.org, *at least two hours in advance*, of their designated speaking slot and bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).]

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization
2017 session

10:00 284th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 3

1. Opening of the session [item 1]
2. Election of officers [item 2]
3. Adoption of the agenda [item 3]
4. Organization of work [item 4]
5. General statements

(Documents A/AC.182/L.145, A/71/33, A/71/202, A/RES/64/115 and A/RES/71/146)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Board of Auditors
2. Executive meeting

International Civil Service Commission

Advisory Committee on Post Adjustment Questions
Thirty-ninth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-third session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 21 February 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Other meetings

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Interactive discussion on "Sequencing Peace Agreements and Constitutions in the Political Settlement Process" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Peru, the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA), the Global Justice Academy, University of Edinburgh, and the Political Settlements Research Programme)

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Kieran Lettrich, Office of the Permanent Observer for International IDEA (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).

Panel discussion on "Preventing Conflict and Sustaining Peace through Decent Work" (on the occasion of the World Day of Social Justice (20 February)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Colombia, France, Kyrgyzstan and Tunisia, the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO))

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Pak, ILO Office (e-mail pak@ilo.org; tel. 1 (212) 697- 0150).

Arab Group (Third Committee experts)

13:30 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal meeting of the General Assembly for the Secretary-General to consult Member States on the strengthening of the capability of the United Nations system to assist Member States in implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy in a balanced manner as requested in General Assembly resolution 70/291

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 February 2017 and 16 February 2017 , were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Thursday, 23 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the appraisal of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 20 February 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

Monday, 6 March 2017 Conference Room 3

The status of preparedness of documentation has been issued as document A/C.5/71/L.22.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit any changes or additions to their delegation or changes to the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, *in writing*, by note verbale or using form A/INF/71/2, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (c/o Ms. Ilene McGrade (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
Organizational meeting

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at the meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2017/L.1 and A/AC.109/2017/L.2.

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate (scanned note verbale) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2017, to Ms. Karen Lock, Secretary of the Special Committee (e-mail lock@un.org; with copy to del-vasto@un.org and casast@un.org).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to the 2017 session of the Special Committee *should send a request (scanned note verbale) to the secretariat* (e-mail lock@un.org; with copy to del-vasto@un.org and casast@un.org).

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People
Information session

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

15:00 Conference Room 11

The main objective of the information session for new delegates is to enable representatives to familiarize themselves with the work of the Committee and the Division for Palestinian Rights. Interested delegates from other permanent missions and permanent observer missions are also invited. Delegations wishing to attend the session should send an e-mail to valenzuela2@un.org, by *today*, 21 February 2017.

Open-ended Working Group on the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament
Informal consultations

Wednesday, 1 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 5

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-third session

6 to 17 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Friday, 10 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 2

To mark the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of the Commission and to highlight the work it carried out in these two decades and reflect on the relationship between the Commission and the other two treaty bodies established under the Convention, namely the International Seabed Authority and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

The programme of the open meeting, which will be made available on the website of the Commission in early February, includes interventions by the Secretary-General of the United Nations or his representative, the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority and the President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, as well as by presenters from among the current members of the Commission.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Tuesday, 28 February, to Thursday, 2 March 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its operational activities for development segment (item 7 and sub-items (a) and (b) of the 2017 agenda (E/2017/1)). The segment will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Cristián Barros Melet (Chile).

Additional information on the operational activities for development segment is available on the website of the Council (please *click here*). For further details, please contact Mr. Kirit Patel, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail patelk@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3944).

The *general discussion* of agenda item 7 as a whole will be held on Wednesday, 1 March 2017, from 16:00 to 18:00, and on Thursday, 2 March 2017, from 16:30 to 17:30. Requests for inscription on the *list of speakers* for the general discussion should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). The time limit set for statements is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

Delegations are requested to send the composition of their delegations to the operational activities for development segment of the 2017 session of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one *list of participants* will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

Delegations are reminded that *PaperSmart* services will be available for the duration of the 2017 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal of Council (please *click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the email. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations.

Coordination and management meeting
19 to 21 April 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies at the coordination and management meeting. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is available on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *no later than Thursday, 30 March 2017*, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (Attn: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room S-1275); or by fax 1 (212) 963-5935.

Statistical Commission

Briefing

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

The Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs will provide a briefing for civil society organizations.

Forty-eighth session
Tuesday, 7, to Friday, 10 March 2017 Conference Room 4

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

10:30 Opening meeting General Assembly Hall

The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2017/1 and E/CN.3/2017/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat, *as soon as possible*, the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

Delegations are informed that *PaperSmart services* will be offered as an additional service for the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart1@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the *list of participants* are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mails sharma7@un.org and leu@un.org; Room S-3073)). Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2017 regular session

Friday, 24 February 2017

10:00 to 13:00 16th meeting Conference Room 2

Adoption of the report of the Committee [item 10]

Commission on Population and Development
Briefings

Thursday, 2 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Chair of the Commission on Population and Development, Her Excellency Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani (Qatar), will hold a briefing on organizational matters, logistics and NGO participation for the fiftieth session of the Commission. All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Friday, 3 March 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

The Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) will hold a briefing on the substantive reports of the Secretary-General that have been prepared for the fiftieth session of the Commission. The meeting will be chaired by Her Excellency Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani (Qatar), Chair of the Commission.

All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixty-first session
13 to 24 March 2017

Monday, 13 March 2017

10:00 Opening meeting General Assembly Hall

The annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2017/1 and E/CN.6/2017/1/Add.1/Rev.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on the Commission website (please, *click here*). The *list of side events* on the occasion of the sixty-first session of the Commission will be available soon.

For the participation and seating arrangements, members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Moncef Khane, of the composition of their delegations *as soon as possible* (c/o Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; Room S-1274; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in the conference room, only observers who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 9 March 2017*, will have reserved seats. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The general discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 13 March, in the morning, and will continue in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 14 March, and Wednesday, 15 March; in the afternoon of Thursday, 16 March, and Friday, 17 March; and in the morning of Wednesday, 22 March.

The *list of speakers for the general discussion of agenda item 3* is open. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Commission (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed *ten minutes*.

The Commission will hold four *ministerial round tables under the priority theme* in the afternoon of Monday, 13 March 2017. For additional details, please refer to the discussion guide (E/CN.6/2017/5). Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister and to indicate the first preference and one back-up option for participation in the ministerial round table, no later than *Tuesday, 28 February*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

The Commission will also hold three *interactive dialogues as part of its ministerial segment* in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 14 March, and in the morning of Wednesday, 15 March, in parallel to the general discussion. Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister or other governmental official wishing to participate in the dialogues, no later than *Tuesday, 28 February*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive dialogues, including the ministerial round tables.

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service during the sixty-first session of the Commission. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to e-mail papersmart3@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission's PaperSmart portal.

Information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council* in the work of the Commission is available by *clicking here*. As requested in relevant resolutions, the *reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council* are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixty-first session and can be addressed by *clicking here*.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Event entitled "Gathering Storm: Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health in Climate-induced Humanitarian Settings" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Norway and the United Arab Emirates and the Every Woman, Every Child EveryWhere platform)

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hannah Beswick, Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates (e-mail research4.ny@mofa.gov.ae; tel. 1 (212) 371-0480, ext. 204).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Information session on the "*Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council* and the *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs*" (co-organized by the Department of Political Affairs (DPA) and the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Blanca Montejo, DPA (e-mail montejo@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8385).

Meeting on "Human Rights at Work in Peace Operations" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Wednesday, 22 February 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 2

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ulrika Ajemark Asland, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail ulrika.ajemark.asland@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2514).

Briefing entitled "Creating Cultures of Peace: Art, Music and Peace Museums" (organized by the NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 23 February 2017

11:00 to 12:45 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI/NGO Relations (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

Informal discussion with the Independent Group of Scientists on the draft of the *Global Sustainable Development Report 2019* (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Thursday, 23 February 2017

11:15 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Stephanie Rambler, DESA (e-mail rambler@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8188).

Panel discussion on "The Role of Women in United Nations Peacekeeping: Lessons Learned and Experiences from Women Peacekeepers Serving in United Nations Peacekeeping Operations" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia)

Thursday, 23 February 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Purna Cita Mugraha, Permanent Mission of Indonesia (e-mail purna_ce@yahoo.com; tel. 1 (202) 972-8333).

African Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 23 February 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Meeting of the Steering Committee on Partnerships for Small Island Developing States (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and of Maldives)

Monday, 27 February 2017

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 9

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Eugenia Palagi, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail eugenia.palagi@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 27 February 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 27 February 2017

15:00 to 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday, 28 February 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Event on "On States' Anti-Slavery Obligations" (organized by the United Nations University Office at the United Nations (UNU-ONY))

Wednesday, 1 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Julia Blocher, UNU-ONY (e-mail blocher@unu.edu); to register, please *click here*.

Event on "Non-violence as a Style of Politics for Peace" (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, Maryknoll Lay Missioners, Pax Christi International and the Catholic Nonviolence Initiative)

Thursday, 2 March 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For more information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885); to register, please *click here*.

Event on "Protecting Endangered Cultural Heritage in Times of Conflict" (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See and the International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development (IFPSD))

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. To register or for further information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885); or IFPSD (e-mail info@usfmep.org; tel. 1 (917) 331-4699).

Announcements

Open-ended informal consultative meeting on "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices"

2 and 3 March 2017 Conference Room 3

In accordance with resolution 71/259, an open-ended informal consultative meeting, organized by the Chair of the high-level fissile material cut-off treaty expert preparatory group, will be held on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices. The purpose of the meeting is so that all Member States can engage in interactive discussions and share their views, which shall be conveyed to the high-level fissile material cut-off treaty expert preparatory group for consideration. The meeting will also consider the report of the Group of Governmental Experts, as contained in document A/70/81.

All interested non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. Representatives of non-governmental organizational, not in possession of a valid ground pass to United Nations Headquarters in New York, are requested to register with Ms. Haruka Katarao (e-mail haruka.katarao@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4178; with copy to tan1@un.org), *by Monday, 27 February 2017*.

For further information, please contact Ms. Silvia Mercogliano, UNOG (e-mail smercogliano@unog.ch).

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the months of *February and March 2017*:

General Assembly documentation

Security Council documentation

Introduction to legal resources

Introduction to United Nations documents (English, French)

Finding speeches (English, French)

Voting information (English, French)

Treaty research

Introduction to library services

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*). For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

International Law Seminar for African Universities: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (19-30 June 2017): Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions and call for applications

The African Institute of International Law is planning to conduct the second International Law Seminar for African Universities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) from 19 to 30 June 2017, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of the faculty members of academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/139 (A/RES/71/139).

The curriculum for this seminar will include: International Law (Ms. Boisson de Chazournes), International Trade Law and Environmental Law (Mr. Mbengue), African Union Law and Institutions (Judge Kioko), International and African Human Rights Law (Mr. Okafor), Law of the Sea (Ms. Oral); as well as International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law (Judge Advocate General Riordan).

The seminar is subject to funding by *voluntary contributions*. Voluntary contributions are *urgently needed* to ensure the continuation of this essential capacity building activity to promote international law education in Africa.

For further information, please contact the African Institute of International Law (e-mail info@aiil-iadi.org), or the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org). Application forms are available on the AIIL website (*click here*).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Part I of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

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

Nomination of Conciliators under article 2 of Annex V and nomination of Arbitrators under article 2 of Annex VII of the Convention: Netherlands (14 February 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *February 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Liberia
His Excellency Lewis G. Brown

Asia-Pacific States
Maldives
His Excellency Ahmed Sareer

Eastern European States
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
His Excellency Vasile Andonoski

Latin American and Caribbean States
Dominican Republic
His Excellency Francisco Antonio Cortorreal

Western European and other States
Turkey
His Excellency Feridun Sinirlioğlu

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Seventy-first session

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