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Official meetings

Security Council

10:00	7976th meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. Peacebuilding and sustaining peace	
	Report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its tenth session (S/2017/76)	
15:00	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	UNDOF (S/2017/486)	
	Other matters	

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

High-level debate on Transnational Organized Crime (in observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the assassination of Judge Giovanni Falcone) [webcast]

10:00 to 10:30		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Opening segment	
10:30 to 11:15		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	High-level segment with interventions from Member States	



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11:15 to 13:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Panel discussion on “15 years of implementation of the Convention. Challenges facing the international community”	
15:00 to 17:50		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Panel discussion on “Current gaps, emerging trends and new challenges in crime prevention and criminal justice”	
17:50 to 18:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Closing segment	
	[Member States are encouraged to engage interactively, while Papersmart services will be available to upload written versions of their statements. Delegations are kindly requested to submit their statements to papersmart@un.org . The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.	
	Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 May 2017 and 14 June 2017 were sent to all permanent representatives and observers.]	

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-seventh session



10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Part VIII: Common support services: 29H: Administration, Nairobi 2. Executive meeting 	

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

2017 resumed session

10:00 to 13:00	5th meeting  [webcast]	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	6th meeting  [webcast]	Conference Room 2
	Special Committee decision of 20 June 2016 concerning Puerto Rico: hearing of petitioners (A/AC.109/2017/L.12 and A/AC.109/2017/L.13)	
	[Permanent missions are kindly requested (if not done so yet) to communicate to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org ; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; Room S-3063; with copy to Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org ; Room S-3055)) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee for the 2017 resumed session.]	


United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination

10:00 to 13:00 15th meeting  [\[webcast\]](#) Conference Room 1

Negotiations, pursuant to paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution [71/258](#) of 23 December 2016, on a legally binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination [item 9] (*continued*)

- (a) Read through of the draft: Cluster 2 ([click here](#)) (General obligations: Article 1 (*continued*))

(Declarations, safeguards and measures relating the verified elimination of nuclear weapon programmes: Articles 2 to 5)

15:00 to 18:00 16th meeting  [\[webcast\]](#) Conference Room 1

Negotiations, pursuant to paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution [71/258](#) of 23 December 2016, on a legally binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination [item 9] (*continued*)

- (a) Read through of the draft: Cluster 3 ([click here](#))

(Declarations, safeguards and measures relating the verified elimination of nuclear weapon programmes: Articles 2 to 5)

[The indicative timetable for the June-July meetings has been issued as document [A/CONF.229/2017/3/Add.1/Rev.1](#)

A note by the Secretariat containing information for participants was issued in March 2017 as documents [A/CONF.229/2017/INF/1](#).

There will be *no formal list of speakers* for the General Exchange of views on the draft presented by the President of the Conference.

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and delivered to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Room S-3604, S-3633 or S-3639), and should be submitted as soon as possible. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Permanent representatives and observers are kindly requested to submit a *comprehensive list of the members of their delegation* to the Conference, including the functional titles and affiliations of each member, to the Secretariat of the Conference (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org; Room S-3058). A final comprehensive list of delegations to the Conference will be issued in August 2017.

The *participation of non-governmental organizations* in the Conference shall be governed by the decision adopted by the conference at its organizational session on 16 February 2017 ([A/CONF.229/2017/4](#)). A note by the Secretariat containing information for civil society representatives is issued as document [A/CONF.229/2017/INF/2/Add.1](#).

It is strongly recommended that documents submitted by States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities *should not exceed five pages* (2,650 words) to reduce costs, facilitate translation and ensure timely issuance. States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word format to the Conference Secretariat (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org). In light of the short timeframe in which the Conference will conduct its work, advance and unedited submissions may be posted in their original language on the Conference website maintained by the Office for Disarmament Affairs upon request, pending their issuance in six languages.

Limited space for lunchtime *side events* is available in the main conference room assigned to the Conference. Delegations wishing to hold a lunchtime side event in Conference Room 1 (until Friday, 7 July 2017) are invited to contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1531) with a

copy of the request to nuclear.conference@un.org. The available space will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

Additional information on the Conference is also available on the Conference website ([click here](#)).

To consult the list of side events, please [click here](#).]

Economic and Social Council

2017 session



Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-seventh session

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed) Programme questions [item 3] (b) Evaluation Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (E/AC.51/2017/9) Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (E/AC.51/2017/3)	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed) Programme questions [item 3] (b) Evaluation Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (E/AC.51/2017/7) Outstanding evaluation issues	Conference Room 5

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services, United Nations Children's Fund, United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women and the World Food Programme

Joint meeting

10:00 to 13:00	1st meeting  [webcast] Topic: Operationalizing the decisions of the QCPR, specifically taking into consideration climate change and building resilience	Conference Room 4
15:00 to 18:00	2nd meeting  [webcast] Topic: Working with adolescents and youth to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals	Conference Room 4

[Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org).]

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on “Commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations” (under agenda item 126 (r)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)))

10:00 to 12:00

Conference Room E

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

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

Event entitled “Existing and Emerging Cyber Threats: What We Can Do” ([A/RES/71/28](#)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Estonia and Singapore)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 9

For further information, please contact Ms. Kathleen Ho, [Permanent Mission of Singapore](#) (e-mail kathleen_ho@mfa.gov.sg; tel. 1 (212) 826-0840, ext. 506); to register, [click here](#).

Event on “Transnational Organized Crime Challenges and Responses in Southeast Asia” ([A/RES/71/209](#)) (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

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

All are invited. For further information, please contact the [UNODC New York Office](#) (e-mail unodcny@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).


Event on “Building National Capacities for Conflict Prevention” (A/RES/70/262) (co-organized by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Department of Political Affairs (DPA))

14:00 to 18:00

Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sanna Tasala, [UNDP](mailto:sanna.tasala@undp.org) (e-mail sanna.tasala@undp.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6313); or Ms. Ilona Lecerf, [DPA](mailto:lecerf@un.org) (e-mail lecerf@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1304).

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

Thursday, 22 June 2017

10:00	88th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
	Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legal consequences of the separation of the Chagos Archipelago from Mauritius in 1965: draft resolution (A/71/L.73 (to be issued)) [item 87]	

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Wednesday, 21 June 2017

15:00	Informal informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 12
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Friday, 23 June 2017

10:00	Informal informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 12
15:00	Informal informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 12

Informal consultations

Wednesday, 21 and Thursday, 22 June 2017

10:00

Conference Room 4

15:00

Conference Room 4

Friday, 23 June 2017

10:00

Conference Room 3

15:00

Conference Room 3

On the draft resolution on enabling the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated [6 June 2017](#), was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Friday, 23 June 2017

10:00

Conference Room 4

15:00

Conference Room 4

Informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing in support of the preparatory process towards the high-level plenary meeting on the appraisal of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated [24 May 2017](#) and [9 June 2017](#), were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Committee on Conferences

Organizational session for 2017

Wednesday, 21 June 2017

11:00

Conference Room 12

To elect the Bureau for 2017; to adopt the annotated provisional agenda contained in document [A/AC.172/2017/L.1](#); and to consider the provisional calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields for 2018 and 2019 ([E/2017/L.20](#)). For all relevant documents of the Committee, please [click here](#).

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of [A/54/32](#), and amended in paragraph 10 of [A/56/32](#), non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request *in writing* to Ms. Xin Tong-Maywald, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail tongx@un.org).

Open-ended Working Group on Ageing

Eighth working session

Wednesday, 5 to Friday, 7 July 2017

Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document [A/AC.278/2017/1](#).

The *general discussion* will be held on Wednesday, 5 July 2017, following the opening of the session. The *list of speakers is open*. Requests for inscription on the list should be sent, *in writing*, to the Secretary of the Open-ended Working Group, Ms. Lana Emelina-Sarte (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room CB-0125; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

The *time limit* set for statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations. Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close *by 12:00, on Monday, 3 July 2017*.

For the inclusion on the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to communicate the names of their representatives and alternates participating in the eighth working session to the Secretary of the Open-ended Working Group, Ms. Lana Emelina-Sarte (c/o Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; Room CB-0125; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by email.

For additional information on the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing, including on the participation of NGOs, please [click here](#).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Informal briefings

Tuesday, 20 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00

Economic and Social Council Chamber

On report of the internal audit and investigation activities for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2016 and its related management response

On report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2016 and its management perspective; report on the corporate evaluation of UN-Women's strategic partnerships for gender equality and the empowerment of women and its management response; and the draft 2018-2021 Corporate Evaluation Plan

15:00 to 16:30

Economic and Social Council Chamber

On the draft Strategic Plan 2018-2021

Executive Board
Annual session 2017

Tuesday, 27, and Wednesday, 28 June 2017

Conference Room 2

The annotated provisional agenda and work plan for the session are contained in document [UNW/2017/L.3](#) ([click here](#)). Advance copies of documentation are available on the UN-Women Executive Board website ([click here](#)). Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to Ms. Misrak Mamo (e-mail misrak.mamo@unwomen.org).

For requests to be on the speakers' list for agenda item 2 (Annual Report of the Executive Director and Draft Strategic Plan 2018-2021), please also send an e-mail to

misrak.mamo@unwomen.org, as early as possible, but no later than Thursday, 22 June 2017.

There will be no prepared speaker lists for the other agenda items. The upcoming annual session will be PaperSmart as per established practice. All official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal ([click here](#)) and will not be distributed by conference services during the session. Member States may however make specific requests for hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org) at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot.

The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

Security Council

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

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism will hold a special meeting on "International Judicial and Law Enforcement Cooperation in Counter-Terrorism Matters Pursuant to Security Council resolution 2322 (2016) and Other Relevant Council resolutions" on Wednesday, 21 June 2017, at 15:00, in Conference Room 3.

The objectives of the special meeting are to (i) raise the awareness of Member States; relevant international, regional, and subregional organizations; and civil society organizations concerning the requirements of the resolution; (ii) engage in dialogue and information-exchange concerning the main gaps and challenges encountered in implementing its provisions; (iii) mobilize support to implement the resolution; and (iv) obtain updated information on international efforts to implement the resolution.

It is expected that the special meeting will be attended by around 50 international, regional or subregional organizations.

Meeting documentation, including draft agenda and draft concept note, may be consulted on the Committee's website (<http://www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>).

The special meeting will be preceded by a series of preparatory technical consultations, to be organized by the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) on Tuesday, 20 June 2017 (full day) and on the morning of Wednesday, 21 June 2017.

All communications concerning the special meeting should be addressed to Ms. Lina Cepeda, CTED Political Affairs Officer (e-mail cepedal@un.org).

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

Tuesday, 27 June 2017

15:00

Conference Room 4

The Chairs of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, and the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities will hold a joint open briefing on "Challenges in Countering Terrorism in West Africa"

The purpose of the briefing is to enable Member States to discuss current threats posed by terrorism and violent extremism in West Africa; remaining gaps in Member States' efforts to counter terrorism and violent extremism in the region; and initiatives of the United Nations to assist Member States to enhance their capacity to counter terrorism in West Africa and thereby strengthen global efforts to fight terrorism and violent extremism. Related documentation, including the draft agenda, may be consulted on the 1373 (2001) Committee website ([click here](#)).

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Wednesday, 21 June 2017

10:00 Informal consultations Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Informal consultations Trusteeship Council Chamber

Thursday, 22 June 2017

10:00 Informal consultations Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Informal consultations Trusteeship Council Chamber

On the draft ministerial declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council, and the high-level segment of the 2017 session of the Economic and Social Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Austria and Jamaica). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated [23 May 2017](#), was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

High-level segment (agenda item 5 and sub-items (a) to (c))
17 to 20 July 2017

High-level political forum on sustainable development, convened
under the auspices of the Council (agenda item 6)
10 to 14 July 2017

In accordance with General Assembly resolution [67/290](#) and Economic and Social Council resolution [2017/1](#), the President of the Council, His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava (Zimbabwe), will convene the *high-level political forum on sustainable development, under the auspices of the Council (agenda item 6)*.

The forum, open to all States Members of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies, as well as major groups and other relevant stakeholders, will start on Monday, 10 July 2017, at 09:00.

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution [70/299](#), the theme for the 2017 session of the forum is “Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world”.

For additional information on the high-level political forum, please consult the website of the forum ([click here](#)); or contact Ms. Meng Li (e-mail li39@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5652). For information on participation and registration, please [click here](#).

In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution [2017/1](#), the *high-level segment (agenda item 5)* of the 2017 session of the Council, *including the three-day ministerial meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the Council (agenda item 5 (a))*, will open on Monday, 17 July 2017, at 09:00.

Pursuant to Council decision 2017/208, the overarching theme for the 2017 session of the Council is “Eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions through promoting sustainable development, expanding opportunities and addressing related challenges”. A *general debate* will be held as follows:

Monday, 17 July 2017, from 15:30 to 18:30

Tuesday, 18 July 2017, from 15:30 to 18:30

Wednesday, 19 July 2017, from 15:30 to 17:30

Thursday, 20 July 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00

The *list of speakers* for the general debate *is open*. All States Members of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies are invited to inscribe. Inscriptions to the list of speakers *will close by 17:00, on Friday, 14 July 2017*.

Requests for inscription to the general debate should be sent through the e-Speakers system available through the e-deleGATE portal ([click here](#)). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. The list of speakers will be maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis. Statements in the general debate should not exceed *four minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *six minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group. Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly or the Economic and Social Council, and United Nations system entities, wishing to inscribe in the *list of speakers* are kindly requested to send their request, *in writing*, to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (e-mail ecosocplace@un.org). For additional information on the high-level segment, please contact Mr. Philipp Erfurth (e-mail erfurth@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4938).

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations of States Members of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, specialized agencies and related organizations as well as United Nations funds, programmes and other entities, are kindly requested to send the names of representatives and alternates attending the high-level political forum and the high-level segment to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Cassandra Price Taveras (e-mail priced@un.org; Room CB-0227; fax 1 (212) 963-5935) with copies to Mr. Philipp Erfurth (e-mail erfurth@un.org; fax. 1 (212) 963-1712) and

Ms. Meng Li (e-mail li39@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5195). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for both the meetings of the high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council and the high-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council. 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 papersmart2@un.org.

The date and time of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available in the Council's PaperSmart Portal ([click here](#)) following its delivery by delegations.

Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management

Seventh session

Wednesday, 2, to Friday 4, August 2017

Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document [E/C.20/2017/1](#). For the documentation and session reports, please [click here](#).

Due to the limited number of seats available in Conference Room 4, for participation and seating arrangements, only Member States and observers that will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, by 12:00, on Monday, 31 July 2017, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-serve basis. Member States, as well as observers, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Lana Emelina (c/o Ms. Cassandra Price Taveras (e-mail pricec@un.org; Room CB-0227; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), with a copy to the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail frani@un.org). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

The list of side events on the occasion of the seventh session of the Committee is accessible by [clicking here](#).

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance

Meeting of States Parties

Fourth Meeting

Tuesday, 20 June 2017

10:00

Conference Room 3

The purpose of this meeting is to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances to replace those whose terms of office are due to expire on 30 June 2017. The documents for the meeting are [CED/SP/1/3](#) (Rules of Procedures), [CED/SP/3/1](#), [CED/SP/3/2](#) et [CED/SP/3/2/Add.1](#).

For the latest list of candidates, documents and other information, please [click here](#):

Credentials

In accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedures of the Meeting of the States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced

Disappearance, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the Meeting. Original copies of credentials may be brought to the meeting room on the day or sent in advance to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (for the attention of Ms. Sheilah Trotta, Room S-1306).

Quorum

Pursuant to article 26, paragraph 2, of the Convention, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-thirds of the States Parties. In order to avoid delay or postponement of the meeting, it is imperative for States Parties to be present at the appointed time for the meeting.

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

Meeting of States Parties

Twenty-seventh Meeting

Thursday, 22 June 2017

10:00

Conference Room 3

The purpose of this meeting is to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination to replace those whose terms of office are due to expire on 19 January 2018. The documents for the meeting are [CERD/SP/2/Rev.1](#) (rules of procedure), [CERD/SP/79](#), [CERD/SP/80](#) and [CERD/SP/80/Add.1](#).

For the latest list of candidates, documents and other information, please [click here](#).

In accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedures of the Meeting of the States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the Meeting. Original copies of credentials may be brought to the meeting room on the day or sent in advance to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (for the attention of Ms. Sheilah Trotta (Room S-1306)).

Pursuant to article 8, paragraph 4, of the Convention, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-thirds of the States Parties. In order to avoid delay or postponement of the meeting, it is imperative for States Parties to be present at the appointed time for the meeting.

Eleventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names

Tuesday, 8, to Thursday, 17 August 2017

Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda for the Conference is contained in document [E/CONF.105/1](#), and a note on documentation for the Conference is contained in document [E/CONF.105/INF/1](#). For further information on the session, please [click here](#).

A note verbale from the Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, dated 13 March 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Members States and observers wishing to participate in the Conference are kindly requested to submit the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Conference, Ms. Sonia Elliott (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org)); with a copy to the United Nations Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNSD) (e-mail geoinfo_unsd@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-9851). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names

Thirtieth session

Monday, 7 and Friday, 18 August 2017

Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document [GEGN/30/1](#). For further information on the session, please [click here](#).

Members of the Group of Experts and observers wishing to participate in the session are kindly requested to submit the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Group of Experts, Ms. Sonia Elliott (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org)); with a copy to the United Nations Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNSD) (e-mail geoinfo_unsd@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-9851). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Asia-Pacific Group (for the member States of the International Seabed Authority (ISA))

Tuesday, 20 June 2017

11:00 to 13:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room F

Event on “24 Hours of Your Life Affected by Organized Crime: How to Protect You and Your Loved Ones” (A/RES/71/209) (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Tuesday, 20 June 2017

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact the [UNODC New York Office](#) (e-mail unodcny@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).

International Criminal Court: Working Group on Amendments

Tuesday, 20 June 2017

15:00 to 18:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room E

Event on “Trafficking in Persons and the Sustainable Development Goals to End the Scourge of Trafficking in Women and Girls” (A/RES/70/299) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Panama and Sweden, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and Equality Now and Coalition Against Trafficking in Women)

Wednesday, 21 June 2017,

13:15 to 14:45

Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Dania Alhumaid, [UN-Women](#) (e-mail danialhumaid@unwomen.org).

Briefing by the Special Adviser to the President of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals on the latest developments and logistical details of the SDG Action Event on Education (will be convened on 28 June 2017) (organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly)

Wednesday, 21 June 2017

13:30

Conference Room 7

For further information, please contact the [Office of the President of the General Assembly](#) (Ms. Naomi Parekh (e-mail parekh1@un.org); or Mr. Mohammed Al-Buainain (e-mail al-buainain@un.org); or [click here](#)).

2017 United Nations Population Award Ceremony (A/RES/36/201) (organized by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

Thursday, 22 June 2017

16:30 to 18:00

Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson, [UNFPA](#) (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-4952).

Launch of the 2017 World Drug Report (A/RES/71/211) (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 22 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact the [UNODC New York Office](#) (e-mail unodcny@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).

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

Friday, 23 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00

Closed meeting

Economic and Social Council Chamber

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Preparatory process for the intergovernmental conference to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

Third informal thematic session

Geneva (19 and 20 June 2017)

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/280 of 6 April 2017, the third informal thematic session on facilitating safe, orderly and regular migration organized by the President of the General Assembly and co-chaired by the co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the global compact, the intergovernmental conference as well as their preparatory process, will be held on *Monday, 19 June and Tuesday, 20 June 2017*, in Conference Room XIX (Building E, Palais des Nations). The third informal thematic session will address international cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration.

Live webcasting of the meetings of the informal thematic session will be made available. More information on the session is available [here](#).

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated [6 April 2017](#), [13 April 2017](#), [6 June 2017](#) and [15 June 2017](#) were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

United Nations Office at Geneva

Informal event to discuss the transition from relief to development (21 June 2017)

The event of the Economic and Social Council to discuss the transition from relief to development (Council decision 2017/233) will be held on Wednesday, 21 June 2017, at 10:00, in Conference Room XIX, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva and will be open to all interested participants. Additional information will be made available on the website of the Economic and Social Council.

Humanitarian affairs segment (21-23 June 2017) *[Agenda item 9]*

The 2017 humanitarian affairs segment, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Jürgen Schulz (Germany), will be held from Wednesday, 21 June, to Friday, 23 June 2017, in Conference Room XIX, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva. The opening session will take place on Wednesday, 21 June 2017, at 15:00.

The tentative programme of the segment, including the calendar of side events, is available on the website of the Economic and Social Council ([click here](#)). For additional information, please send an e-mail to ecosochas@un.org.

The *general discussion* of the humanitarian affairs segment will be held on Wednesday, 21 June 2017, at 15:00, and on Friday, 23 June 2017, at 15:00. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Deputy Secretary of the Council, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua

(e-mail duap@un.org; Room CB-0127, fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Inscriptions to the *list of speakers* will close by 17:00 of the preceding day.

The *time limit* set for statements under the segment is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

Delegations are kindly requested to send, *as soon as possible and no later than today 16 June 2017*, the names of the representatives and alternates attending the humanitarian affairs segment to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; room CB-0127, 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 end of the 2017 session of the Council.

Access to the Palais des Nations

Information for participants with United Nations Pass holders: Security passes issued by the Palais des Nations in Geneva and/or United Nations Headquarters in New York (i.e. valid UN photo ID pass) will be accepted for diplomats, United Nations staff, bodies and specialized agencies and accredited non-governmental organizations. These categories will pass by Pregny Gate on the first day so their passes can be registered for the entire duration of the Humanitarian Affairs Segment. They will then be allowed to enter either through Pregny Gate or Nations Gate.

Information for non-United Nations Pass holders: All participants who are not in possession of a valid United Nations photo ID pass issued either by United Nations Headquarters in New York or by the United Nations Office in Geneva will need to share their names and affiliations with Ms. Shiranee De Thabrew (e-mail dethabrew@un.org) by *Thursday, 15 June 2017*.

To download the *UNOG Conference Registration Form* (English and French); please [click here](#).

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 e-mail. *The statements* will be made available on the PaperSmart Portal after their delivery by delegations.

Announcements

Headquarters Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice (Treaty Section, OLA)

The Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs is organizing a *Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice: The Work of the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs* (in English) for delegates of Permanent Missions, at the Headquarters, on Thursday, 22 June 2017, from 10:00 to 18:00, in the Conference Room of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor, Room DC2-0461).

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 month of *June 2017*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Peacekeeping Research

General Assembly Documentation

Security Council Documentation

Introduction to Legal Resources

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).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States Parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States Parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States Parties will take place in 2017, as follows:

Fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (20 June 2017), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance ([click here](#) for general information);

Twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (22 June 2017), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination ([click here](#) for general information); and

Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (28 June 2017), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers ([click here](#) for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded.

All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week* before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room S-1309)).

For any clarifications on these elections, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections ([click here](#)), or contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

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 *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the [Repertoire section](#) of the website of the Security Council.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2017 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](#).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 12 June 2017

General Assembly

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

2017 resumed session

 [\[archived video\]](#)

3rd meeting

The Chair made a statement.

A minute of silence was observed on the passing of the former President of the General Assembly, His Excellency Miguel d'Escoto.

Adoption of the agenda and programme of work [item 1]

The Special Committee adopted the agenda of the meeting.

Programme of work

The Chair reminded the Special Committee that the delegations of Algeria, Argentina, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Gabon, Germany, Guatemala, Guinea, Lebanon, Mexico, Morocco, Namibia, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, the United Arab Emirates, Uruguay and the African Union had requested to participate in the Special Committee as observers. The Committee acceded to those requests.

The Chair also informed the Special Committee that the delegations of Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Paraguay and Peru had requested to participate in the Special Committee. The Committee acceded to those requests.

Requests for hearing [item 2]

The Chair drew attention to communication containing requests for hearing, circulated in aide-mémoires 01/17, 02/17, 03/17, 04/17, 05/17 and 06/17, regarding the Special Committee decision of 20 June 2016 concerning Puerto Rico and the Questions of Gibraltar, Western Sahara, Falkland Island (Malvinas), New Caledonia and French Polynesia.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Grenada, Cuba, Côte d'Ivoire, Nicaragua, Ecuador and Indonesia.

The meeting was suspended due to technical issues.

The meeting was resumed.

Statements were made by the representatives of Antigua and Barbuda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Dominica, Timor-Leste, the Syrian Arab Republic, Ethiopia, India, Chile, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Grenada.

The Committee rejected, by a recorded vote of 7 in favour to 8 against, with 5 abstentions, the proposal of the participation of petitioners from Western Sahara.

Statements were made by the representatives of Grenada, Cuba, Dominica, Antigua and Barbuda, Ecuador, Côte d'Ivoire and Nicaragua.

Statements were made by the observers for Morocco and Algeria.

The representative of the Department of Public Information made a statement.

The Committee approved the requests contained in aide-mémoires 01/17, 02/17, 03/17, 04/17 and 06/17.

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations [item 3]

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to the report of the Secretary General (A/72/62), which contained information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations by the Administering Powers with regard to the Territories under their respective administration, as well as to draft resolution [A/AC.109/2017/L.4](#).

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Special Committee adopted draft resolution [A/AC.109/2016/L.4](#), without a vote.

The Special Committee thus concluded consideration of the item.

Dissemination of information on decolonization [item 4]

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to the report of the Secretary-General on the dissemination of information, on decolonization ([A/AC.109/2017/18](#)).

The Officer-in-Charge of the Strategic Communications Division of the Department of Public Information briefed the Committee on the activities undertaken by the Department in the past year with regard to the dissemination of information in the field of decolonization.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Officer-in-Charge of the Decolonization Unit of the Department of Political Affairs reviewed the activities of the Department in the field of dissemination of information on decolonization over the past year.

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to draft resolution [A/AC.109/2017/L.5](#).

The Special Committee adopted draft resolution [A/AC.109/2017/L.5](#), without a vote.

The Special Committee thus concluded consideration of the item.

Question of sending visiting missions to Territories [item 5]

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to draft resolution [A/AC.109/2017/L.6](#)

Statements were made by the representatives of Côte d'Ivoire, Grenada, Timor-Leste, Antigua and Barbuda, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Indonesia.

Statements were made by the observers for Algeria and Morocco.

A statement was made by the representative of France.

The Chair made a statement.

The Special Committee decided to continue its consideration of draft resolution [A/AC.109/2017/L.6](#) at a later date.

4th meeting

The summary of the 4th meeting of the 2017 resumed session of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea**Meeting of States Parties**

Twenty-seventh Meeting

196th-197th meetings The summaries of the 196th and the 197th meetings of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

Tuesday, 13 June 2017**United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea****Meeting of States Parties**

Twenty-seventh Meeting

198th-199th meetings The summaries of the 198th and the 199th meetings of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**Conference of the States Parties**

Tenth session

 [\[archived video\]](#)

1st and 2nd meetings The summary of the 1st and 2nd meetings of the tenth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

Wednesday, 14 June 2017**United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea****Meeting of States Parties**

Twenty-seventh Meeting

200th-201st meetings The summaries of the 200th and the 201st meetings of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**Conference of the States Parties**

Tenth session

 [\[archived video\]](#)

3rd and 4th meetings The summary of the 3rd and 4th meetings of the tenth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

Thursday, 15 June 2017

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

 [\[archived video\]](#)

87th plenary meeting

Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [item 112 (b)]

The General Assembly proceeded to the by-election to elect members of the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with rule 140 of the rules of procedure.

The President drew the attention of the Assembly to the letters from the representative of Austria (as chair of the Western European and other States) contained in document [A/71/923](#) and the representative of Romania (as chair of the Eastern European States) contained in document [A/71/924](#).

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority and the largest number of votes, Canada (166 votes), Denmark (167 votes) and Romania (172 votes) were elected as members of the Economic and Social Council for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2018 and ending on 31 December 2018 for Canada, and 31 December 2019 for Denmark and Romania.

The President made a statement, in the course of which he announced that the General Assembly would proceed to consider agenda item 118 while ballots for the election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council were being counted, in the interest of time.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 112.

The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy [item 118]

(a) *Draft resolution (A/71/L.66)*

(b) *Report of the Fifth Committee (A/71/918)*

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution [A/71/L.66](#) (resolution 71/291).

Statements in explanation of vote after adoption were made by the representatives of Canada (on behalf of Australia, Canada and New Zealand), Turkey (on behalf of Australia, Indonesia, Mexico, the Republic of Korea and Turkey), the Syrian Arab Republic, India, Norway, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel and Saudi Arabia.

The representative of the European Union made a statement.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 118.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [item 112 (b)]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 112.

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority and the largest number of votes, Belarus (182 votes), Ecuador (182 votes), El Salvador (181

votes), France (177 votes), Germany (182 votes), Ghana (183 votes), India (183 votes), Ireland (180 votes), Japan (185 votes), Malawi (184 votes), Mexico (182 votes), Morocco (177 votes), the Philippines (182 votes), Spain (181 votes), the Sudan (175 votes), Togo (184 votes), Turkey (179 votes) and Uruguay (180 votes) were elected as members of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2018.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 112.

United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination

 [\[archived video\]](#)

12th meeting The summary of the 12th meeting of the United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties

Twenty-seventh Meeting

202nd-203rd meetings The summaries of the 202nd and the 203rd meetings of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties

Tenth session

 [\[archived video\]](#)

5th and 6th meetings The summary of the 5th and 6th meetings of the tenth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

Friday, 16 June 2017

Security Council

 [\[archived video\]](#)

7975th meeting *The situation in Mali*

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Mali (S/2017/478)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Mali to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Mahamat Saleh Annadif, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

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

Statements were made by the representatives of Uruguay, Kazakhstan, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Plurinational State of Bolivia.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Abdoulaye Diop, Minister for Foreign Affairs, International Cooperation and African Integration of the Republic of Mali.

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination

 [\[archived video\]](#)

13th-14th meetings

The summary of the 13th and 14th meetings of the United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination will appear at a later date in the *Journal*.

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]

Minamata Convention on Mercury. Kumamoto, 10 October 2013

Ratification: France (15 June 2017)

Ratification: Iran (Islamic Republic of) (16 June 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

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

African States

Republic of the Congo

His Excellency Raymond Serge Balé

Asia-Pacific States

Mongolia
His Excellency Sukhbold Sukhee

Eastern European States

Romania
His Excellency Ion Jinga

Latin American and Caribbean States

Honduras
Her Excellency Mary Elizabeth Flores

Western European and other States

Australia
Her Excellency Gillian Bird

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the *list of speakers* of plenary meetings of the General Assembly are kindly requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal available at <http://delegate.un.int>.

The e-Speakers link to inscribe for the plenary meetings *is open*. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM help-desk (e-mail help-desk@un.org).

For any other inquiries regarding the list of speakers, please contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org).

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart Portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3322 (Room S-3059). Please [click here](#) for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly. The co-sponsorship of all draft resolutions and decisions in the General Assembly plenary now takes place via the General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship application in the e-deleGATE portal at <http://delegate.un.int>.

Permanent missions to the United Nations are invited to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail gaplenarye-sponsorship@un.org) of those accredited delegates who should be granted access to General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship, using a registration form that was provided to the missions and is available on the General Assembly website ([click here](#)). Based on the information received, delegates will be issued a username and a password to access the Portal.

Paper signature list for co-sponsorship will no longer be accepted. For questions on the submission of a *draft resolution or a draft decision* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3322 (Room S-5944).

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents [A/71/251](#) and [A/71/251/Add.1](#), and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document [A/71/252](#) and [A/71/252/Add.1](#).

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document [A/71/100](#) and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document [A/71/100/Add.1](#).

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 31, 33 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110, 111, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (k), and (l), 116 to 118, 120 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

The schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of its seventy-first session will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please [click here](#). There is no pre-determined calendar of meetings for the resumed part of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly. Delegations requesting *issuance of communications* addressed to the Secretary-General as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly contained in documents [A/71/251](#) and [A/71/251/Add.1](#). Requests should include the following language "I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as an official document of the General Assembly under agenda item ___". The letter must be sent to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General in the original, with an original signature or stamp.

Additionally, electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org and to dms@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases, social media and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York. To access, please [click here](#).

Seventy-second session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-second regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document [A/72/50](#).

Seating protocol for the seventy-second session

On Wednesday, 31 May 2017, the Secretary-General drew, from among the Member States, the name of the Czech Republic to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly

Hall at the seventy-second session. Consequently, the delegation of the Czech Republic will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow *in the English alphabetical order*. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

The *list of speakers* for the general debate of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is open for inscriptions. Delegations are invited to send requests for inscription through the e-Speakers system available at <http://delegate.un.int>. A Note verbale from the Secretariat in this regard, dated 16 May 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Meeting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail emeetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7351).

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For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the advance team of the Meetings Servicing Unit (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For PaperSmart related matters, please contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (e-mail dgacm-msu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For broadcast TV coverage, please contact Mr. David Woodie/DPI (e-mail woodie@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9399);

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