

# Extracts of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, containing requests addressed to States, international organizations and the Secretary- General

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*Explanatory note:*

The following informal compilation reproduces operative paragraphs from General Assembly resolutions adopted at the sixty-ninth [2014] and prior sessions, in which action to be undertaken in 2015 by States, international organizations, the Secretariat or subsidiary bodies, such as the International Law Commission, is anticipated. Where necessary, the compilation also includes extracts of operative paragraphs to be read together with those paragraphs calling for action.

Hyperlinks are provided to the full text of the respective resolutions, the summary of consideration of the agenda item in question on the respective page of the website of the Sixth Committee, and to the list of documents in the PaperSmart portal. Information about corresponding communications transmitted by the Secretariat (including links to electronic copies thereof) is also provided.

Annex I contains a calendar of deadlines for the submission of information to the Secretariat. Annex II provides some guidelines for the submission of information to the Secretariat.

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# 1. Extracts from General Assembly resolutions adopted at the sixty-ninth session

## Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission (agenda item 75)

Res. [69/114](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

2. *Strongly urges* States to take all appropriate measures to ensure that crimes by United Nations officials and experts on mission do not go unpunished and that the perpetrators of such crimes are brought to justice, without prejudice to the privileges and immunities of such persons and the United Nations under international law, and in accordance with international human rights standards, including due process;

3. *Strongly urges* all States to consider establishing, to the extent that they have not yet done so, jurisdiction over crimes, particularly those of a serious nature, as known in their existing national criminal laws, committed by their nationals while serving as United Nations officials or experts on mission, at least where the conduct as defined in the law of the State establishing jurisdiction also constitutes a crime under the laws of the host State, and, further, urges States and appropriate international organizations to provide technical and other appropriate assistance in developing such legal measures to States requesting such support;

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4. *Encourages* all States to cooperate with each other and with the United Nations in the exchange of information and in facilitating the conduct of investigations and, as appropriate, the prosecution of United Nations officials and experts on mission who are alleged to have committed crimes of a serious nature, in accordance with their national law and applicable United Nations rules and regulations, fully respecting due process rights, as well as to consider strengthening the capacities of their national authorities to investigate and prosecute such crimes;

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5. *Also encourages* all States:

(a) To afford each other assistance in connection with criminal investigations or criminal or extradition proceedings in respect of crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, including assistance in obtaining evidence at their disposal, in accordance with their national law or any treaties or other arrangements on extradition and mutual legal assistance that may exist between them;

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(b) In accordance with their national law, to explore ways and means of facilitating the possible use of information and material obtained from the United Nations for purposes of criminal proceedings initiated in their territory for the prosecution of crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, bearing in mind due process considerations;

(c) In accordance with their national law, to provide effective protection for victims of, witnesses to and others who provide information in relation to crimes of a serious nature alleged to have been committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission and to facilitate access of victims to victim assistance programmes, without prejudice to the rights of the alleged offender, including those relating to due process;

(d) In accordance with their national law, to explore ways and means of responding adequately to requests by host States for support and assistance in

order to enhance their capacity to conduct effective investigations in respect of crimes of a serious nature alleged to have been committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission;

6. *Requests* the Secretariat to continue to ensure that requests to Member States seeking personnel to serve as experts on mission make States aware of the expectation that persons who serve in that capacity should meet high standards in their conduct and behaviour and be aware that certain conduct may amount to a crime for which they may be held accountable;

7. *Urges* the Secretary-General to continue to take such other practical measures as are within his authority to strengthen existing training on United Nations standards of conduct, including through predeployment and in-mission induction training for United Nations officials and experts on mission;

8. *Reiterates* its decision that, bearing in mind its resolutions 62/63 and 63/119, the consideration of the report of the Group of Legal Experts,<sup>4</sup> in particular its legal aspects, taking into account the views of Member States and also noting the inputs by the Secretariat, shall be continued during its seventieth session in the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee, and, for that purpose, invites further comments from Member States on that report, including on the question of future action;

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9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring credible allegations that reveal that a crime may have been committed by United Nations officials or experts on mission to the attention of the States against whose nationals such allegations are made and to request from those States an indication of the status of their efforts to investigate and, as appropriate, prosecute crimes of a serious nature, as well as the types of appropriate assistance that States may wish to receive from the Secretariat for the purposes of such investigations and prosecutions;

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10. *Urges* States to provide to the Secretary-General at the appropriate time information on their handling of the credible allegations brought to their attention by the Secretary-General in accordance with paragraph 9 above;

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11. *Requests* the United Nations, when its investigations into allegations suggest that crimes of a serious nature may have been committed by United Nations officials or experts on mission, to consider any appropriate measures that may facilitate the possible use of information and material for purposes of criminal proceedings initiated by States, bearing in mind due process considerations;

12. *Encourages* the United Nations, when allegations against United Nations officials or experts on mission are determined by a United Nations administrative investigation to be unfounded, to take appropriate measures, in the interests of the Organization, to restore the credibility and the reputation of such officials and experts on mission;

13. *Urges* the United Nations to continue cooperating with States exercising jurisdiction in order to provide them, within the framework of the relevant rules of international law and agreements governing activities of the United Nations, with information and material for purposes of criminal proceedings initiated by States;

14. *Emphasizes* that the United Nations, in accordance with the applicable rules of the Organization, should take no action that would retaliate against or intimidate United Nations officials and experts on mission who report allegations concerning crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission;

15. *Takes note* with appreciation of the information provided by Governments in response to its resolutions [62/63](#), [63/119](#), [64/110](#), [65/20](#), [66/93](#), [67/88](#) and [68/105](#), and urges Governments to continue taking the measures necessary for the implementation of those resolutions, including their provisions addressing the establishment of jurisdiction over crimes, particularly those of a serious nature, as known in their existing national criminal laws, committed by their nationals while serving as United Nations officials or experts on mission, as well as cooperation among States, and to provide specific details thereon, in particular with respect to paragraph 3 of the present resolution, in the information provided to the Secretary-General;

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16. *Reiterates* its request to the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventieth session on the implementation of the present resolution, in particular with respect to paragraphs 3, 5, 8 and 9 above, as well as any practical problems in its implementation, on the basis of information received from Governments and the Secretariat;

17. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his report information on the number and types of credible allegations and any actions taken by the United Nations, including referrals to appropriate authorities for prosecution and the procedures therefor, and its Member States regarding crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, including information on efforts made to ensure the completeness of incident reporting;

18. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session [2015] the item entitled "Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission".

<sup>4</sup> A/60/980.

## **Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its forty-seventh session (agenda item 76)**

Res. [69/115](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

3. *Notes* with appreciation that the secretariat of the Commission has taken steps to establish and operate the repository of published information under the Rules on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration ("transparency repository"), in accordance with article 8 of the Rules on Transparency, as a pilot project temporarily funded by voluntary contributions,<sup>3</sup> and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly informed of developments regarding the funding and budgetary situation of the transparency repository;

4. *Takes note* with interest of the decisions taken by the Commission as regards its future work and the progress made by the Commission in its work in the areas of arbitration and conciliation, online dispute resolution, electronic commerce, insolvency law, security interests and international trade law aimed at reducing the legal obstacles faced by micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises throughout their life cycle, endorses the Commission's decision to compile information on cloud computing, identity management, the use of mobile devices in electronic commerce and single window facilities, including by organizing, co-organizing or participating in colloquiums, workshops and other meetings within available resources,<sup>4</sup> also endorses the Commission's decision to hold a colloquium and other events in 2015 to celebrate the thirty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations Convention

on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods within available resources,<sup>5</sup> and commends the efforts undertaken by the Commission to improve the management of its resources while maintaining and increasing its current levels of activity, including through avoiding overlap of work and the use of informal working methods where appropriate, with due regard to the formal negotiation process;<sup>6</sup>

6. *Endorses* the efforts and initiatives of the Commission, as the core legal body within the United Nations system in the field of international trade law, aimed at increasing coordination of and cooperation on legal activities of international and regional organizations active in the field of international trade law and at promoting the rule of law at the national and international levels in this field, and in this regard appeals to relevant international and regional organizations to coordinate their legal activities with those of the Commission, to avoid duplication of efforts and to promote efficiency, consistency and coherence in the modernization and harmonization of international trade law;

7. *Reaffirms* the importance, in particular for developing countries, of the work of the Commission concerned with technical cooperation and assistance in the field of international trade law reform and development, and in this connection:

(a) Welcomes the initiatives of the Commission towards expanding, through its secretariat, its technical cooperation and assistance programme, and in that respect encourages the Secretary-General to seek partnerships with State and non-State actors to increase awareness about the work of the Commission and facilitate the effective implementation of legal standards resulting from its work;

(b) Expresses its appreciation to the Commission for carrying out technical cooperation and assistance activities and for providing assistance with legislative drafting in the field of international trade law, and draws the attention of the Secretary-General to the limited resources that are made available in this field;

(c) Expresses its appreciation to the Governments whose contributions enabled the technical cooperation and assistance activities to take place, and appeals to Governments, the relevant bodies of the United Nations system, organizations, institutions and individuals to make voluntary contributions to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Trust Fund for Symposia and, where appropriate, for the financing of special projects and otherwise to assist the secretariat of the Commission in carrying out technical cooperation and assistance activities, in particular in developing countries;

(d) Reiterates its appeal to the United Nations Development Programme and other bodies responsible for development assistance, such as the World Bank and regional development banks, as well as to Governments in their bilateral aid programmes, to support the technical cooperation and assistance programme of the Commission and to cooperate with the Commission and coordinate their activities with those of the Commission in the light of the relevance and importance of the work and programmes of the Commission for the promotion of the rule of law at the national and international levels and for the implementation of the international development agenda, including the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and the preparation of sustainable development goals;

8. *Recalls* the importance of adherence to the rules of procedure and methods of work of the Commission, including transparent and inclusive deliberations,



taking into account the summary of conclusions as reproduced in annex III to the report on the work of its forty-third session,<sup>9</sup> requests the Secretariat to issue, prior to meetings of the Commission and of its working groups, a reminder of those rules of procedure and methods of work with a view to ensuring the high quality of the work of the Commission and encouraging the assessment of its instruments, and in this regard recalls its previous resolutions related to this matter;

9. *Welcomes* the activities of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific, in the Republic of Korea, towards reaching out and providing technical assistance with international trade law reforms to developing countries in the region, notes with satisfaction expressions of interest from other States in hosting regional centres of the Commission, and requests the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly informed of developments regarding the establishment of regional centres, in particular their funding and budgetary situation;<sup>10</sup>

10. *Appeals* to Governments, the relevant bodies of the United Nations system, organizations, institutions and individuals to make voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund established to provide travel assistance to developing countries that are members of the Commission, at their request and in consultation with the Secretary-General, in order to enable renewal of the provision of that assistance and to increase expert representation from developing countries at sessions of the Commission and its working groups, necessary to build local expertise and capacities in those countries to put in place a regulatory and enabling environment for business, trade and investment;

11. *Decides*, in order to ensure full participation of all Member States in the sessions of the Commission and its working groups, to continue, in the competent Main Committee during the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, its consideration of granting travel assistance to the least developed countries that are members of the Commission, at their request and in consultation with the Secretary-General;

12. *Endorses* the conviction of the Commission that the implementation and effective use of modern private law standards in international trade are essential for advancing good governance, sustained economic development and the eradication of poverty and hunger and that the promotion of the rule of law in commercial relations should be an integral part of the broader agenda of the United Nations to promote the rule of law at the national and international levels, including through the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group, supported by the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General;

15. *Reiterates* its request to the Secretary-General, in conformity with resolutions of the General Assembly on documentation-related matters,<sup>12</sup> which, in particular, emphasize that any invitation to limit, where appropriate, the length of documents should not adversely affect either the quality of the presentation or the substance of the documents, to bear in mind the particular characteristics of the mandate and functions of the Commission in the progressive development and codification of international trade law when implementing page limits with respect to the documentation of the Commission;<sup>13</sup>

16. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue the publication of Commission standards and the provision of summary records of the meetings of the Commission, including committees of the whole established by the Commission for the duration of its annual session, relating to the formulation of normative texts, and takes note of the Commission's decision to continue

the trial use of digital recordings, in parallel with summary records where applicable, with a view to assessing the experience of using digital recordings and, on the basis of that assessment, taking a decision at a future session regarding the possible replacement of summary records by digital recordings;<sup>14</sup>

18. *Notes* with appreciation the work of the Secretariat on the system for the collection and dissemination of case law on Commission texts in the six official languages of the United Nations (the CLOUT system), notes the resource-intensive nature of the system, acknowledges the need for further resources to sustain and expand it, and in this regard welcomes efforts by the Secretariat towards building partnerships with interested institutions, and appeals to Governments, the relevant bodies of the United Nations system, organizations, institutions and individuals to assist the secretariat of the Commission in raising awareness as to the availability and usefulness of the CLOUT system in professional, academic and judiciary circles and in securing the funding required for the coordination and expansion of the system and the establishment, within the secretariat of the Commission, of a pillar focused on the promotion of ways and means of interpreting Commission texts in a uniform manner;

19. *Stresses* the importance of promoting the use of texts emanating from the work of the Commission for the global unification and harmonization of international trade law, and to this end urges States that have not yet done so to consider signing, ratifying or acceding to conventions, enacting model laws and encouraging the use of other relevant texts;

21. *Recalls* its resolutions affirming the importance of high-quality, user-friendly and cost-effective United Nations websites and the need for their multilingual development, maintenance and enrichment,<sup>15</sup> commends the fact that the website of the Commission is published in the six official languages of the United Nations, and welcomes the continuous efforts of the Commission to maintain and improve its website, including by developing new social media features, in accordance with the applicable guidelines.<sup>16</sup>

<sup>3</sup> [Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/69/17)], para. 109.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid., para. 150.

<sup>5</sup> Ibid., para. 255.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid., chaps. III–V, VII, VIII and XV.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid., Sixty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/65/17).

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/68/17), chap. XIII.

<sup>12</sup> Resolutions [52/214](#), sect. B, [57/283](#) B, sect. III, and [58/250](#), sect. III.

<sup>13</sup> Resolutions [59/39](#), para. 9, and [65/21](#), para. 18; see also *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/59/17)*, paras. 124–128.

<sup>14</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/69/17)*, para. 276.

<sup>15</sup> Resolutions [52/214](#), sect. C, para. 3; [55/222](#), sect. III, para. 12; [56/64](#) B, sect. X; [57/130](#) B, sect. X; [58/101](#) B, sect. V, paras. 61–76; [59/126](#) B, sect. V, paras. 76–95; [60/109](#) B, sect. IV, paras. 66–80; and [61/121](#) B, sect. IV, paras. 65–77.

<sup>16</sup> Resolution [63/120](#), para. 20.

## United Nations Convention on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration

Res. [69/116](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

2. *Adopts* the United Nations Convention on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration, contained in the annex to the present resolution;

3. *Authorizes* a ceremony for the opening for signature of the Convention to be held in Port Louis on 17 March 2015, and recommends that the Convention be known as the “Mauritius Convention on Transparency”;

4. *Calls upon* those Governments and regional economic integration organizations that wish to make the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Rules on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration applicable to arbitrations under their existing investment treaties to consider becoming a party to the Convention.

## **United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law (agenda item 77)**

Res. [69/117](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to carry out the activities specified in his reports<sup>3,4</sup> in 2015;

3. *Also authorizes* the Secretary-General to award a minimum of one scholarship in 2015 under the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship on the Law of the Sea;

4. *Further authorizes* the Secretary-General to continue and further develop the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law as a major contribution to the teaching and dissemination of international law around the world and to continue to finance this activity from provisions in the regular budget as well as, when necessary, from voluntary financial contributions, which would be received as a result of the requests set out in paragraphs 22 and 23 below;

6. *Notes with serious concern* that the provisions of paragraph 7 of resolutions 66/97, 67/91 and 68/110 have not been implemented, and therefore decides to revisit the matter of funding for the Programme of Assistance under the programme budget for the biennium 2014–2015, in particular the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law and the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law for the year 2015;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include additional resources under the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016–2017 for the organization of the Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean each year, and for the continuation and further development of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law;

8. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to include in the regular budget, for consideration by the General Assembly, the necessary funding for the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship on the Law of the Sea with effect from the biennium 2016–2017, should voluntary contributions be insufficient for granting at least one fellowship a year;

9. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to consider admitting, for participation in the various components of the Programme of Assistance, candidates from countries willing to bear the entire cost of their participation;

10. *Recognizes* the importance of the United Nations legal publications prepared by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat, and once again requests the Secretary-General to issue the publications referred to in his

previous report<sup>5</sup> in various formats, including hard copy publications, which are essential for developing countries;

11. *Reiterates* its request that the Secretary-General issue the next volume of the United Nations Legislative Series containing materials on the responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts;

12. *Appreciates* the efforts that were undertaken by the Office of Legal Affairs to bring up to date the United Nations legal publications, in particular by the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs for its desktop publishing initiative from 2003 to 2013, which greatly enhanced the timely issuance of its legal publications and made possible the preparation of legal training materials, regrets that none of the publications referred to in the previous report of the Secretary-General<sup>5</sup> was issued in 2014, when desktop publishing was discontinued owing to lack of resources, and recommends that the necessary resources be made available to resume this successful initiative;

13. *Requests* the Office of Legal Affairs to continue to maintain and expand its websites listed in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General<sup>6</sup> as an invaluable tool for the dissemination of international law materials as well as for advanced legal research;

14. *Requests* that interns and research assistants be enlisted for the preparation of materials for the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law;

17. *Notes with appreciation* the contributions of the Hague Academy to the teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation of international law, and calls upon Member States and interested organizations to give favourable consideration to the appeal of the Academy for a continuation of support and a possible increase in their financial contributions, to enable the Academy to carry out its activities, particularly those relating to the summer courses, regional courses and programmes of the Centre for Studies and Research in International Law and International Relations;

21. *Once again encourages* the Codification Division to cooperate with the African Institute of International Law, dedicated to offering higher learning and research in international law needed for the development of Africa, in the implementation of the relevant activities under the Programme of Assistance;

22. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to publicize the Programme of Assistance and periodically to invite Member States, universities, philanthropic foundations and other interested national and international institutions and organizations, as well as individuals, to make voluntary contributions towards the financing of the Programme or otherwise to assist in its implementation and possible expansion;

([LA/COD/8/1](#) of 12 Jan 15)

23. *Reiterates* its request to Member States and interested organizations, institutions and individuals to make voluntary contributions, inter alia, for the International Law Fellowship Programme and the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law;

24. *Urges*, in particular, all Member States and interested organizations, institutions and individuals to make voluntary contributions for the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law organized by the Codification Division as an important complement to the International Law Fellowship Programme, thus alleviating the burden on prospective host countries and making it possible to conduct the Regional Courses on a regular basis;

26. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventieth session on the implementation of the Programme of Assistance in 2015 and, following consultations with the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, to submit recommendations regarding the Programme in subsequent years;

27. *Concludes* once again that voluntary contributions have not proven to be a sustainable method for funding the activities under the Programme of Assistance, in particular the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law and the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law, and that, consequently, there is a need to provide more reliable funding for all its activities, taking into account the conclusion of the Advisory Committee at its forty-ninth session;<sup>7</sup>

28. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session [2015] the item entitled "United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law".

<sup>5</sup> A/68/521, paras. 41 and 42.

<sup>6</sup> A/69/516.

<sup>7</sup> A/69/516/Add.1, para. 7.

## **Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-sixth session (agenda item 78)**

Res. [69/118](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

3. *Takes note* of the final report on the topic "The obligation to extradite or prosecute (*aut dedere aut judicare*)" contained in paragraph 65 of the report of the International Law Commission, and encourages its widest possible dissemination;

4. *Recommends* that the International Law Commission continue its work on the topics in its current programme, taking into account the comments and observations of Governments, whether submitted in writing or expressed orally in debates in the Sixth Committee;

5. *Draws* the attention of Governments to the importance for the International Law Commission of having their views by 31 January 2015 on the various aspects of the topics on the agenda of the Commission, in particular on all the specific issues identified in chapter III of its report, regarding:

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(a) Subsequent agreements and subsequent practice in relation to the Interpretation of treaties;

(b) Protection of the atmosphere;

(c) Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction;

(d) Identification of customary international law;

(e) Protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts;

(f) Provisional application of treaties;

(g) Crimes against humanity

6. *Also draws* the attention of Governments to the importance for the

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International Law Commission of having their comments and observations by 1 January 2016 on the draft articles on the topic “Protection of persons in the event of disasters”, adopted on first reading by the Commission at its sixty-sixth session;<sup>6</sup>

7. *Takes note* of the decision of the International Law Commission to include the topic “Crimes against humanity” in its programme of work,<sup>7</sup> and encourages the Commission to continue the examination of the topics that are in its long-term programme of work;

8. *Also takes note* of paragraphs 267 to 272 of the report of the International Law Commission, and notes in particular the inclusion of the topic “*Jus cogens*” in the long-term programme of work of the Commission<sup>8</sup> and the request of the Commission that the Secretariat review the list of possible future topics established in 1996<sup>9</sup> and prepare for its consideration a list of potential topics accompanied by brief explanatory notes, by the end of the present quinquennium;

9. *Further takes note* of paragraph 281 of the report of the International Law Commission, and requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to identify concrete options for support for the work of special rapporteurs, additional to those provided under General Assembly resolution [56/272](#) of 27 March 2002;

10. *Welcomes* the efforts of the International Law Commission to improve its methods of work,<sup>10</sup> and encourages the Commission to continue this practice;

11. *Recalls* that the seat of the International Law Commission is at the United Nations Office at Geneva;

12. *Notes* that the International Law Commission is considering the possibility of holding part of its future sessions in New York, underlines, to that purpose, the importance of the Commission taking into account estimated costs and relevant administrative, organizational and other factors, and calls upon the Commission to deliberate thoroughly the feasibility of holding part of its sixty-eighth session in New York;

13. *Decides*, without prejudice to the output of those deliberations, to revert to the consideration of the recommendation contained in paragraph 388 of the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-third session<sup>11</sup> during the seventieth session of the General Assembly;

14. *Invites* the International Law Commission to continue to take measures to enhance its efficiency and productivity and to consider making proposals to Member States to that end;

15. *Encourages* the International Law Commission to continue to take cost-saving measures at its future sessions, without prejudice to the efficiency and effectiveness of its work;

16. *Takes note* of paragraph 291 of the report of the International Law Commission, and decides that the next session of the Commission shall be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 4 May to 5 June and from 6 July to 7 August 2015;

17. *Stresses* the desirability of further enhancing the dialogue between the International Law Commission and the Sixth Committee at the seventieth session of the General Assembly, and in this context encourages, inter alia, the continued practice of informal consultations in the form of discussions

between the members of the Sixth Committee and the members of the Commission attending the seventieth session of the Assembly;

18. *Encourages* delegations, during the debate on the report of the International Law Commission, to continue to adhere as far as possible to the structured work programme agreed to by the Sixth Committee and to consider presenting concise and focused statements;

19. *Encourages* Member States to consider being represented at the level of legal adviser during the first week in which the report of the International Law Commission is discussed in the Sixth Committee (International Law Week) to enable high-level discussions on issues of international law;

20. *Requests* the International Law Commission to continue to pay special attention to indicating in its annual report, for each topic, any specific issues on which expressions of views by Governments, either in the Sixth Committee or in written form, would be of particular interest in providing effective guidance for the Commission in its further work;

21. *Takes note* of paragraphs 293 to 297 of the report of the International Law Commission with regard to cooperation and interaction with other bodies, and encourages the Commission to continue the implementation of articles 16 (e), 25 and 26 of its statute in order to further strengthen cooperation between the Commission and other bodies concerned with international law, having in mind the usefulness of such cooperation;

22. *Notes* that consulting with national organizations and individual experts concerned with international law may assist Governments in considering whether to make comments and observations on drafts submitted by the International Law Commission and in formulating their comments and observations;

23. *Reaffirms* its previous decisions concerning the indispensable role of the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat in providing assistance to the International Law Commission, including in the preparation of memorandums and studies on topics on the agenda of the Commission;

24. *Also reaffirms* its previous decisions concerning the documentation and summary records of the International Law Commission;<sup>12</sup>

25. *Welcomes* the institutionalization of the practice of the Secretariat to include the provisional summary records on the website relating to the work of the International Law Commission;

26. *Takes note* of paragraph 282 of the report of the International Law Commission, underlines the importance of the publications of the Codification Division to the work of the Commission, and reiterates its request that the Secretary-General continue to publish the *Work of the International Law Commission* in all six official languages at the beginning of each quinquennium, the *Reports of International Arbitral Awards* in English or French and the *Summaries of the Judgments, Advisory Opinions and Orders of the International Court of Justice* in all six official languages every five years;

27. *Stresses* the need to expedite the preparation of the summary records of the International Law Commission, and welcomes the continuation of the experimental measures taken to streamline the processing of summary records during the sixty-fifth session of the Commission,<sup>13</sup> which have led to a more rational use of resources, and expresses its satisfaction that the

summary records of the Commission, constituting *travaux préparatoires* in the progressive development and codification of international law, will not be subject to arbitrary length restrictions;

28. *Takes note* of paragraph 286 of the report of the International Law Commission, stresses the unique value of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure its timely publication in all official languages;

29. *Also takes note* of paragraph 286 of the report of the International Law Commission, expresses its appreciation to Governments that have made voluntary contributions to the trust fund on the backlog relating to the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*, and encourages further contributions to the trust fund;

30. *Further takes note* of paragraph 288 of the report of the International Law Commission, expresses its satisfaction with the remarkable progress achieved in the past few years in reducing the backlog of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission* in all six languages, and welcomes the efforts made by the Division of Conference Management of the United Nations Office at Geneva, especially its Editing Section, in effectively implementing relevant resolutions of the General Assembly calling for the reduction of the backlog;

31. *Takes note* of paragraph 288 of the report of the International Law Commission, encourages the Division of Conference Management to provide continuous necessary support to the Editing Section in advancing the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*, and requests that updates on progress made in this respect be provided to the Commission on a regular basis;

32. *Welcomes* the continuous efforts of the Codification Division to maintain and improve the website relating to the work of the International Law Commission, expresses its satisfaction to the Division for the successful completion of the digitization and posting on the website of the entire collection of the documents of the Commission in Spanish, and encourages the Division to continue to pursue its efforts with respect to documents in the remaining official languages;

33. *Expresses* the hope that the International Law Seminar will continue to be held in connection with the sessions of the International Law Commission and that an increasing number of participants representing the principal legal systems of the world, including in particular those from developing countries, will be given the opportunity to attend the Seminar, as well as delegates to the Sixth Committee, and appeals to States to continue to make urgently needed voluntary contributions to the United Nations Trust Fund for the International Law Seminar;

35. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the International Law Seminar with adequate services, including interpretation, as required, and encourages him to continue to consider ways to improve the structure and content of the Seminar;

36. *Underlines* the importance of the records and topical summary of the debate in the Sixth Committee for the deliberations of the International Law Commission, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to forward to the Commission, for its attention, the records of the debate on the report of the Commission at the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, together with such written statements as delegations may circulate in conjunction with their oral statements, and to prepare and distribute a topical summary of the



debate, following established practice;

37. *Requests* the Secretariat to circulate to States, as soon as possible after the conclusion of the session of the International Law Commission, chapter II of its report containing a summary of the work of that session, chapter III containing the specific issues on which the views of Governments would be of particular interest to the Commission and the draft articles adopted on either first or second reading by the Commission;

38. *Also requests* the Secretariat to make the complete report of the International Law Commission available as soon as possible after the conclusion of the session of the Commission for the consideration of Member States with due anticipation and no later than the prescribed time limit for reports in the General Assembly;

39. *Encourages* the International Law Commission to continue to consider ways in which specific issues on which the views of Governments would be of particular interest to the Commission could be framed so as to help Governments to have a better appreciation of the issues on which responses are required;

40. *Recommends* that the debate on the report of the International Law Commission at the seventieth session [2015] of the General Assembly commence on 2 November 2015.

<sup>6</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/69/10)*, para. 53.

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 266.

<sup>8</sup> The inclusion of the topic was guided by the criteria for selection of the topics adopted by the Commission in 1998 (*Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 10 and corrigendum (A/53/10 and Corr.1)*, para. 553).

<sup>9</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-first Session, Supplement No. 10 and corrigendum (A/51/10 and Corr.1)*, annex II.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, *Sixty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/66/10)*, paras. 370–388.

<sup>11</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/66/10)*.

<sup>12</sup> See resolutions [32/151](#), para. 10, and [37/111](#), para. 5, and all subsequent resolutions on the annual reports of the International Law Commission to the General Assembly.

<sup>13</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/68/10)*, para. 183.

## Expulsion of aliens

Res. [69/119](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

3. *Takes note* of the recommendation of the International Law Commission contained in paragraph 42 of its report on the work of its sixty-sixth session,<sup>1</sup> and decides that the consideration of this recommendation shall be continued at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-second session [2017] an item entitled “Expulsion of aliens”.

<sup>1</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/69/10)*.

## Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts (agenda item 79)

Res. [69/120](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

2. *Calls upon* all States parties to the Geneva Conventions that have not yet

done so to consider becoming parties to the Additional Protocols<sup>3</sup> at the earliest possible date;

3. *Calls upon* all States that are already parties to Protocol I,<sup>4</sup> or those States not parties, on becoming parties to Protocol I, to make the declaration provided for under article 90 of that Protocol and to consider making use, where appropriate, of the services of the International Humanitarian Fact-Finding Commission in accordance with the provisions of article 90 of Protocol I;

4. *Calls upon* all States that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and the two Protocols thereto<sup>9</sup> and to other relevant treaties on international humanitarian law relating to the protection of victims of armed conflict;

5. *Calls upon* States to consider becoming parties to the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict;<sup>10</sup>

6. *Calls upon* all States parties to the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions to ensure their wide dissemination and full implementation;

7. *Affirms* the necessity of making the implementation of international humanitarian law more effective, and supports its further strengthening and development;

10. *Recognizes*, taking into account questions raised by States during the preparation for the Thirty-first International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent and during the debates at the Conference, the importance of exploring ways to enhance and ensure the effectiveness of mechanisms of compliance with international humanitarian law, with a view to strengthening legal protection for all victims of armed conflict, and in this regard welcomes the launch of the initiative by Switzerland, in collaboration with the International Committee of the Red Cross, on strengthening compliance with international humanitarian law;

11. *Calls upon* Member States to actively participate in the Thirty-second International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, to be held in Geneva in 2015;

12. *Welcomes* the activities of the Advisory Service on International Humanitarian Law of the International Committee of the Red Cross in supporting efforts made by Member States to take legislative and administrative action to implement international humanitarian law and in promoting the exchange of information on those efforts between Governments, and reminds Member States of the availability of the manual on domestic implementation of international humanitarian law;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session a report on the status of the Additional Protocols relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts, as well as on measures taken to strengthen the existing body of international humanitarian law, inter alia, with respect to its dissemination and full implementation at the national level, based on information received from Member States and the International Committee of the Red Cross;

15. *Encourages* Member States and the International Committee of the Red Cross, in transmitting information to the Secretary-General, to focus on new

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developments and activities during the reporting period;

16. *Encourages* Member States to explore ways of facilitating the submission of information for future reports of the Secretary-General and, in this context, to consider the convenience of using a questionnaire as drafted by Member States, with the assistance of the International Committee of the Red Cross and, as appropriate, in consultation with the Secretariat, for submission to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session;

17. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session [2016] the item entitled "Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts".

<sup>3</sup>. [United Nations, *Treaty Series*,] vol. 1125, Nos. 17512 and 17513, and vol. 2404, No. 43425.

<sup>4</sup>. *Ibid.*, vol. 1125, No. 17512.

<sup>9</sup>. *Ibid.*, vol. 249, No. 3511, and vol. 2253, No. 3511.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. 2173, No. 27531.

## **Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (agenda item 80)**

Res. [69/121](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

3. *Urges* States to strictly observe, implement and enforce all the applicable principles and rules of international law governing diplomatic and consular relations, including during a period of armed conflict, and, in particular, to ensure, in conformity with their international obligations, the protection, security and safety of the missions, representatives and officials mentioned in paragraph 2 above officially present in territories under their jurisdiction, including practical measures to prevent and prohibit in their territories illegal activities of persons, groups and organizations that encourage, instigate, organize or engage in the perpetration of acts against the security and safety of such missions, representatives and officials;

4. *Also urges* States to take all appropriate measures at the national and international levels to prevent any acts of violence against the missions, representatives and officials mentioned in paragraph 2 above, including during a period of armed conflict, and to ensure, with the participation of the United Nations where appropriate, that such acts are fully investigated with a view to bringing offenders to justice;

5. *Recommends* that States cooperate closely through, inter alia, contacts between the diplomatic and consular missions and the receiving State with regard to practical measures designed to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives, including measures of a preventive nature, and with regard to the timely exchange of information on the circumstances of all serious violations thereof;

6. *Urges* States to take all appropriate measures, in accordance with international law, at the national and international levels, to prevent any abuse of diplomatic or consular privileges and immunities, in particular serious abuses, including those involving acts of violence;

7. *Recommends* that States cooperate closely with the State in whose territory abuses of diplomatic and consular privileges and immunities may have occurred, including by exchanging information and providing assistance to its juridical authorities in order to bring offenders to justice;

8. *Calls upon* States that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the instruments relevant to the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives;

9. *Calls upon* States, in cases where a dispute arises in connection with a violation of their international obligations concerning the protection of the missions or the security of the representatives and officials mentioned in paragraph 2 above, to make use of the means available for peaceful settlement of disputes, including the good offices of the Secretary-General, and requests the Secretary-General, when he deems it appropriate, to offer his good offices to the States directly concerned;

10. *Urges*:

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(a) All States to report to the Secretary-General, in a concise and expeditious manner and in accordance with the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General,<sup>2</sup> serious violations of the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;

(b) To circulate to all States, upon receipt, the reports received by him pursuant to paragraph 10 above, unless the reporting State requests otherwise;

(c) To draw the attention, when appropriate, of the States directly concerned to the reporting procedures provided for in paragraph 10 above, when a serious violation has been reported pursuant to paragraph 10 (a) above;

(d) To address reminders to States where such violations have occurred if reports pursuant to paragraph 10 (a) above or follow-up reports pursuant to paragraph 10 (b) above have not been made within a reasonable period of time;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To send, without delay, a circular note to all States reminding them of the request contained in paragraph 10 above;

(b) To circulate to all States, upon receipt, the reports received by him pursuant to paragraph 10 above, unless the reporting State requests otherwise;

(c) To draw the attention, when appropriate, of the States directly concerned to the reporting procedures provided for in paragraph 10 above, when a serious violation has been reported pursuant to paragraph 10 (a) above;

(d) To address reminders to States where such violations have occurred if reports pursuant to paragraph 10 (a) above or follow-up reports pursuant to paragraph 10 (b) above have not been made within a reasonable period of time;

12. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to invite States, in the circular note referred to in paragraph 11 (a) above, to inform him of their views with respect to any measures needed or already taken to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives

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as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;

13. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session a report containing:

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(a) Information on the state of ratification of and accessions to the instruments referred to in paragraph 8 above;

(b) A summary of the reports received and views expressed pursuant to paragraphs 10 and 12 above;

14. *Invites* the Secretary-General to include in his report to the General Assembly any views he may wish to express on the matters referred to in paragraph 13 above;

15. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session [2016] the item entitled "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives".

<sup>2</sup> A/42/485, annex.

## **Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (agenda item 81)**

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

2. *Decides* that the Special Committee shall hold its next session from 17 to 25 February 2015;

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Dec 2013)

3. *Requests* the Special Committee, at its session in 2015, in accordance with paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution [50/52](#) of 11 December 1995:

(a) To continue its consideration of all proposals concerning the question of the maintenance of international peace and security in all its aspects in order to strengthen the role of the United Nations and, in this context, to consider other proposals relating to the maintenance of international peace and security already submitted or which may be submitted to the Special Committee at its session in 2015;

(b) To continue to consider, in an appropriate, substantive manner and framework, including the frequency of its consideration, the question of the implementation of the provisions of the Charter related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions under Chapter VII of the Charter based on all of the related reports of the Secretary-General and the proposals submitted on the question;

(c) To keep on its agenda the question of the peaceful settlement of disputes between States;

(d) To consider, as appropriate, any proposal referred to it by the General Assembly in the implementation of the decisions of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly in September 2005 that concern the Charter and any amendments thereto;

(e) To continue to consider, on a priority basis, ways and means of improving its working methods and enhancing its efficiency and utilization of resources with a view to identifying widely acceptable measures for future

implementation;

4. *Invites* the Special Committee, at its session in 2015, to continue to identify new subjects for consideration in its future work with a view to contributing to the revitalization of the work of the United Nations;

5. *Also invites* the Special Committee, at its session in 2015, to consider the question of an appropriate commemoration of the seventieth anniversary of the Charter;

6. *Notes* the readiness of the Special Committee to provide, within its mandate, such assistance as may be sought at the request of other subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly in relation to any issues before them;

7. *Requests* the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its seventieth session;

8. *Recognizes* the important role of the International Court of Justice, the principal judicial organ of the United Nations, in adjudicating disputes among States and the value of its work, as well as the importance of having recourse to the Court in the peaceful settlement of disputes, takes note that, consistent with Article 96 of the Charter, the Court's advisory jurisdiction may be requested by the General Assembly, the Security Council or other authorized organs of the United Nations and the specialized agencies, and requests the Secretary-General to distribute, in due course, the advisory opinions requested by the principal organs of the United Nations as official documents of the United Nations;

9. *Commends* the Secretary-General for the progress made in the preparation of studies for the Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs, including the increased use of the internship programme of the United Nations and further expanded cooperation with academic institutions for this purpose, as well as the progress made towards updating the Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council;

11. *Reiterates* its call for voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund for the elimination of the backlog in the *Repertory* so as to further support the Secretariat in carrying out the effective elimination of that backlog; voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund for the updating of the *Repertoire*; and the sponsoring, on a voluntary basis and with no cost to the United Nations, of associate experts to assist in the updating of the two publications;

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12. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to continue his efforts towards updating the two publications and making them available electronically in all their respective language versions;

13. *Notes with concern* that the backlog in the preparation of volume III of the *Repertory*, although slightly reduced, has not been eliminated, and calls upon the Secretary-General to address that issue effectively and on a priority basis, while commending the Secretary-General for progress made in reducing the backlog;

14. *Reiterates* the responsibility of the Secretary-General for the quality of the *Repertory* and the *Repertoire*, and, with regard to the *Repertoire*, calls upon the Secretary-General to continue to follow the modalities outlined in paragraphs 102 to 106 of his report of 18 September 1952;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at its sixty-ninth session, a report on both the *Repertory* and the *Repertoire*;

16. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to brief the Special Committee at its next session on the information referred to in paragraph 12 of his report on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions;

17. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at its sixty-ninth session, under the item entitled "Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization", a report on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions;

<sup>7.</sup> A/48/573-S/26705, A/49/356, A/50/60-S/1995/1, A/50/361, A/50/423, A/51/317, A/52/308, A/53/312, A/54/383 and Add.1, A/55/295 and Add.1, A/56/303, A/57/165 and Add.1, A/58/346, A/59/334, A/60/320, A/61/304, A/62/206 and Corr.1, A/63/224, A/64/225, A/65/217, A/66/213, A/67/190, A/68/226 and A/69/119.

<sup>8.</sup> A/2170.

<sup>9.</sup> A/69/119.

## **The rule of law at the national and international levels (agenda item 82)**

Res. [69/123](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

1. *Recalls* the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the rule of law at the national and international levels, held during the high-level segment of its sixty-seventh session, and the declaration adopted at that meeting,<sup>2</sup> takes note of the report of the Secretary-General submitted pursuant to paragraph 41 of the declaration,<sup>3</sup> and requests the Sixth Committee to continue its consideration of ways and means of further developing the linkages of the rule of law and the three pillars of the United Nations;

2. *Acknowledges* the efforts to strengthen the rule of law through voluntary pledges, encourages States that have not done so to consider making pledges, individually or jointly, based on their national priorities, and also encourages those States that have made pledges to exchange information, knowledge and best practices in this regard;

4. *Reaffirms* the role of the General Assembly in encouraging the progressive development of international law and its codification, and reaffirms further that States shall abide by all their obligations under international law;

5. *Also reaffirms* the imperative of upholding and promoting the rule of law at the international level in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

6. *Welcomes* the dialogue initiated by the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group and the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General with Member States on the topic "Promoting the rule of law at the international level", and calls for the continuation of this dialogue with a view to fostering the rule of law at the international level;

7. *Stresses* the importance of adherence to the rule of law at the national level and the need to strengthen support to Member States, upon their request, in the domestic implementation of their respective international obligations through enhanced technical assistance and capacity-building;

8. *Reiterates* its request to the Secretary-General to ensure greater coordination and coherence among the United Nations entities and with donors and recipients, and reiterates its call for greater evaluation of the



effectiveness of such activities, including possible measures to improve the effectiveness of those capacity-building activities;

9. *Calls*, in this context, for dialogue to be enhanced among all stakeholders with a view to placing national perspectives at the centre of rule of law assistance in order to strengthen national ownership, while recognizing that rule of law activities must be anchored in a national context and that States have different national experiences in the development of their systems of the rule of law, taking into account their legal, political, socioeconomic, cultural, religious and other local specificities, while also recognizing that there are common features founded on international norms and standards;

10. *Calls* upon the Secretary-General and the United Nations system to systematically address, as appropriate, aspects of the rule of law in relevant activities, including the participation of women in rule of law-related activities, recognizing the importance of the rule of law to virtually all areas of United Nations engagement;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit, in a timely manner, his next annual report on United Nations rule of law activities, in accordance with paragraph 5 of its resolution [63/128](#) of 11 December 2008;

13. *Recognizes* the importance of restoring confidence in the rule of law as a key element of transitional justice;

14. *Recalls* the commitment of the Member States to take all necessary steps to provide fair, transparent, effective, non-discriminatory and accountable services that promote access to justice for all, including legal aid, encourages further dialogue and the sharing of national practices in strengthening the rule of law through access to justice, including with regard to legal aid, where appropriate, in both criminal and civil proceedings, and in this regard stresses the need to intensify the assistance extended to Governments upon their request;

15. *Stresses* the importance of promoting the sharing of national practices and of inclusive dialogue, and invites the Secretary-General to propose ways for Member States to voluntarily exchange best national practices on the rule of law and to include, in his annual report to the General Assembly at its seventieth session, an analytical summary of the thematic debates held pursuant to resolutions [61/39](#) of 4 December 2006, [62/70](#) of 6 December 2007, [63/128](#) of 11 December 2008, [64/116](#) of 16 December 2009, [65/32](#) of 6 December 2010, [66/102](#) of 9 December 2011 and [67/97](#) of 14 December 2012;

16. *Encourages* the Secretary-General and the United Nations system to accord high priority to rule of law activities;

17. *Invites* the International Court of Justice, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law and the International Law Commission to continue to comment, in their respective reports to the General Assembly, on their current roles in promoting the rule of law;

18. *Invites* the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group and the Rule of Law Unit to continue to interact with Member States in a regular, transparent and inclusive manner, in particular in informal briefings;

19. *Stresses* the need for the Rule of Law Unit to carry out its tasks in an effective and sustainable manner and the need to provide it with reasonable means required to that effect;



20. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session [2015] the item entitled “The rule of law at the national and international levels”, and invites Member States to focus their comments in the upcoming Sixth Committee debate on the subtopic “The role of multilateral treaty processes in promoting and advancing the rule of law”.

<sup>2</sup> Resolution 67/1.

<sup>3</sup> A/68/213/Add.1.

## **The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction (agenda item 83)**

Res. [69/124](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

2. *Decides* that the Sixth Committee shall continue its consideration of the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, without prejudice to the consideration of this topic and related issues in other forums of the United Nations, and for this purpose decides to establish, at its seventieth session [2015], a working group of the Sixth Committee to continue to undertake a thorough discussion of the scope and application of universal jurisdiction;

3. *Invites* Member States and relevant observers, as appropriate, to submit, before 30 April 2015, information and observations on the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, including, where appropriate, information on the relevant applicable international treaties and their national legal rules and judicial practice, and requests the Secretary-General to prepare and submit to the General Assembly at its seventieth session a report based on such information and observations;

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([LA/COD/59/1](#), of  
21 Jan 2015; and  
[LA/COD/59/2](#), of  
14 Jan 2015)

4. *Decides* that the working group shall be open to all Member States and that relevant observers to the General Assembly will be invited to participate in the work of the working group;

5. *Also decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session [2015] the item entitled “The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction”.

## **Effects of armed conflicts on treaties (agenda item 84)**

Res. [69/125](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

1. *Commends once again* the articles on the effects of armed conflicts on treaties to the attention of Governments without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite Governments to submit written comments on any future action regarding the articles;

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([LA/COD/47](#), of 21  
Jan 2015)

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-second session [2017] the item entitled “Effects of armed conflicts on treaties”, with a view to examining, inter alia, the question of the form that might be given to the articles.

## Responsibility of international organizations (agenda item 85)

Res. [69/126](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

1. *Takes note* once again of the articles on the responsibility of international organizations and commends them to the attention of Governments and international organizations without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare an initial compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and to invite Governments and international organizations to submit information on their practice in this regard, as well as written comments on any future action regarding the articles, and further requests the Secretary-General to submit this material well in advance of its seventy-second session;

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([LA/COD/43](#), of 7  
Jan 2015)

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-second session [2017] the item entitled "Responsibility of international organizations", with a view to examining, inter alia, the question of the form that might be given to the articles;

## Measures to eliminate international terrorism (agenda item 107)

Res. [69/127](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

2. *Calls upon* all Member States, the United Nations and other appropriate international, regional and subregional organizations to implement the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy,<sup>1</sup> as well as the resolutions relating to the first, second and third biennial reviews of the Strategy,<sup>10</sup> in all its aspects at the international, regional, subregional and national levels without delay, including by mobilizing resources and expertise;

3. *Recalls* the pivotal role of the General Assembly in following up the implementation and the updating of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, looks forward to the fifth biennial review, in 2016, and in this regard recalls its invitation to the Secretary-General to contribute to the future deliberations of the Assembly, and requests the Secretary-General when doing so to provide information on relevant activities within the Secretariat to ensure overall coordination and coherence in the counter-terrorism efforts of the United Nations system;

4. *Reiterates* that criminal acts intended or calculated to provoke a state of terror in the general public, a group of persons or particular persons for political purposes are in any circumstances unjustifiable, whatever the considerations of a political, philosophical, ideological, racial, ethnic, religious or other nature that may be invoked to justify them;

5. *Reiterates* its call upon all States to adopt further measures in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the relevant provisions of international law, including international standards of human rights, to prevent terrorism and to strengthen international cooperation in combating terrorism and, to that end, to consider, in particular, the implementation of the measures set out in paragraphs 3 (a) to (f) of General Assembly resolution [51/210](#);

6. *Also reiterates* its call upon all States, with the aim of enhancing the efficient implementation of relevant legal instruments, to intensify, as and where

appropriate, the exchange of information on facts related to terrorism and, in so doing, to avoid the dissemination of inaccurate or unverified information;

7. *Reiterates* its call upon States to refrain from financing, encouraging, providing training for or otherwise supporting terrorist activities;

8. *Expresses* concern at the increase in incidents of kidnapping and hostage-taking with demands for ransom and/or political concessions by terrorist groups, and expresses the need to address this issue;

9. *Expresses* grave concern over the acute and growing threat posed by foreign terrorist fighters, namely, individuals who travel to a State other than their States of residence or nationality for the purpose of the perpetration, planning or preparation of, or participation in, terrorist acts or providing or receiving terrorist training, including in connection with armed conflict, emphasizes the need for States to address this issue, including through the implementation of their international obligations, and underlines the importance of United Nations capacity-building and facilitation of capacity-building in accordance with existing mandates to assist States, including those in the most affected regions, upon their request;

10. *Emphasizes* the need for States to cooperate resolutely against international terrorism by taking speedy and effective measures to eliminate this scourge, and in this regard calls upon all States, in accordance with their obligations under applicable international law and the Charter, to deny safe haven and bring to justice or, where appropriate, extradite, on the basis of the principle of extradite or prosecute, the perpetrators of terrorist acts or any person who supports, facilitates or participates or attempts to participate in the financing, planning or preparation of terrorist acts;

11. *Urges* States to ensure that their nationals or other persons and entities within their territory that wilfully provide or collect funds for the benefit of persons or entities who commit, or attempt to commit, facilitate or participate in the commission of terrorist acts are punished by penalties consistent with the grave nature of such acts;

12. *Reminds* States of their obligations under relevant international conventions and protocols and Security Council resolutions, including Council resolution [1373 \(2001\)](#), to ensure that perpetrators of terrorist acts are brought to justice, and recalls the General Assembly resolutions on measures to eliminate international terrorism;

13. *Reaffirms* that international cooperation as well as actions by States to combat terrorism should be conducted in conformity with the principles of the Charter, international law and relevant international conventions;

14. *Recalls* the adoption of the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism,<sup>11</sup> the Amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material,<sup>12</sup> the Protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation<sup>13</sup> and the Protocol of 2005 to the Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf,<sup>14</sup> and urges all States to consider, as a matter of priority, becoming parties to these instruments;

15. *Urges* all States that have not yet done so to consider, as a matter of priority and in accordance with Security Council resolution [1373 \(2001\)](#) and Council resolution [1566 \(2004\)](#) of 8 October 2004, becoming parties to the relevant conventions and protocols as referred to in paragraph 6 of General

Assembly resolution [51/210](#), as well as the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings,<sup>15</sup> the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism,<sup>16</sup> the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism and the Amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, and calls upon all States to enact, as appropriate, the national legislation necessary to implement the provisions of those conventions and protocols, to ensure that the jurisdiction of their courts enables them to bring to trial the perpetrators of terrorist acts and to cooperate with and provide support and assistance to other States and relevant international, regional and subregional organizations to that end;

16. *Urges* States to cooperate with the Secretary-General and with one another, as well as with interested intergovernmental organizations, with a view to ensuring, where appropriate within existing mandates, that technical and other expert advice is provided to those States requiring and requesting assistance in becoming parties to and implementing the conventions and protocols referred to in paragraph 15 above;

18. *Reaffirms* the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 49/60, and the Declaration to Supplement the 1994 Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, contained in the annex to Assembly resolution 51/210, and calls upon all States to implement them;

19. *Calls upon* all States to cooperate to prevent and suppress terrorist acts;

20. *Urges* all States and the Secretary-General, in their efforts to prevent international terrorism, to make the best use of the existing institutions of the United Nations;

21. *Notes* that the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre is performing its duties within the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force in New York and that the Centre is supporting the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, and encourages all Member States to collaborate with the Centre and to contribute to the implementation of its activities within the Task Force;

22. *Requests* the Terrorism Prevention Branch of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in Vienna to continue its efforts to enhance, through its mandate, the capabilities of the United Nations in the prevention of terrorism, and recognizes, in the context of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and Security Council resolution [1373 \(2001\)](#), its role in assisting States in becoming parties to and implementing the relevant international conventions and protocols relating to terrorism, including the most recent among them, and in strengthening international cooperation mechanisms in criminal matters related to terrorism, including through national capacity-building;

23. *Invites* regional intergovernmental organizations to submit to the Secretary-General information on the measures they have adopted at the regional level to eliminate international terrorism, as well as on intergovernmental meetings held by those organizations;

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([LA/COD/11/3](#), of  
14 Jan 15)

24. *Decides*, taking into account the recommendation of the Working Group of the Sixth Committee that more time was required to achieve substantive progress on the outstanding issues, to recommend that the Sixth Committee, at the seventieth session of the General Assembly, establish a working group with a view to finalizing the process on the draft comprehensive convention

on international terrorism as well as discussions on the item included in its agenda by Assembly resolution [54/110](#) concerning the question of convening a high-level conference under the auspices of the United Nations;

25. *Recognizes* the efforts of Member States towards resolving any outstanding issues, and encourages all Member States to redouble their efforts during the intersessional period;

26. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session [2015] the item entitled "Measures to eliminate international terrorism".

<sup>1</sup> Resolution 60/288.

<sup>10</sup> Resolutions 62/272, 64/297 and 66/282.

<sup>11</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2445, No. 44004.

<sup>12</sup> Adopted on 8 July 2005 by the Conference to Consider and Adopt Proposed Amendments to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (International Atomic Energy Agency, document GOV/INF/2005/10-GC(49)/INF/6, attachment).

<sup>13</sup> Adopted on 14 October 2005 by the Diplomatic Conference on the Revision of the SUA Treaties (International Maritime Organization, document LEG/CONF.15/21).

<sup>14</sup> Adopted on 14 October 2005 by the Diplomatic Conference on the Revision of the SUA Treaties (International Maritime Organization, document LEG/CONF.15/22).

<sup>15</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2149, No. 37517.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. 2178, No. 38349.

## Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (agenda item 168)

Res. [69/128](#), 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

1. *Endorses* the recommendations and conclusions of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country contained in paragraph 55 of its report;<sup>1</sup>

2. *Considers* that the maintenance of appropriate conditions for the normal work of the delegations and the missions accredited to the United Nations and the observance of their privileges and immunities, which is an issue of great importance, are in the interest of the United Nations and all Member States, requests the host country to continue to solve, through negotiations, problems that might arise and to take all measures necessary to prevent any interference with the functioning of missions, and urges the host country to continue to take appropriate action, such as training of police, security, customs and border control officers, with a view to maintaining respect for diplomatic privileges and immunities and if violations occur to ensure that such cases are properly investigated and remedied, in accordance with applicable law;

3. *Notes* the problems experienced by some Permanent Missions to the United Nations in connection with the implementation of the Parking Programme for Diplomatic Vehicles,<sup>4</sup> and notes that the Committee shall remain seized of the matter, with a view to continuing to maintain the proper implementation of the Parking Programme in a manner that is fair, non-discriminatory, effective and therefore consistent with international law;

4. *Requests* the host country to consider removing the remaining travel restrictions imposed by it on staff of certain missions and staff members of the Secretariat of certain nationalities, and in this regard notes the long-standing positions of affected States, of the Secretary-General and of the host country;

5. *Recalls* article IV of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations,<sup>3</sup> and notes the concerns expressed by some delegations concerning the denial and delay of entry visas to representatives of Member States;

6. *Notes* that the Committee anticipates that the host country will continue to enhance its efforts to ensure the issuance of entry visas to representatives of Member States pursuant to article IV, section 11, of the Headquarters Agreement and in a timely manner, to enable travel to New York on United Nations business, that the Committee remains seized of the matter of the host country's not issuing a visa to a designated Permanent Representative of a Member State, and that the Committee anticipates that the host country will continue to enhance efforts, including visa issuance, to facilitate the participation of representatives of Member States in other United Nations meetings, as appropriate;

7. *Also notes* that a number of delegations have requested shortening the time frame applied by the host country for issuance of entry visas to representatives of Member States since the time frame poses difficulties for the full-fledged participation of Member States in United Nations meetings, and invites the host country to inform the Committee, as appropriate, of efforts to address such difficulties;

8. *Notes with concern* the difficulties that continue to be experienced by some Permanent Missions to the United Nations in obtaining suitable banking services, welcomes the continued efforts of the host country to facilitate the opening of bank accounts for those Permanent Missions, and also welcomes the adoption of General Assembly resolution [68/306](#) of 9 September 2014 in this respect;

9. *Expresses* its appreciation for the efforts made by the host country, and expects that the issues raised at the meetings of the Committee will continue to be resolved in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law, including the Headquarters Agreement;

10. *Affirms* the importance of the Committee being in a position to fulfil its mandate and meet on short notice to deal with urgent and important matters concerning the relations between the United Nations and the host country, and in that connection requests the Secretariat and the Committee on Conferences to accord priority to requests from the Committee on Relations with the Host Country for conference-servicing facilities for meetings of that Committee that must be held while the General Assembly and its Main Committees are meeting, without prejudice to the requirements of those bodies and on an "as available" basis;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to remain actively engaged in all aspects of the relations of the United Nations with the host country, and recalls that the Secretary-General may bring to the attention of the Committee issues of mutual concern relating to the implementation of the Headquarters Agreement and the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations;<sup>2</sup>

12. *Requests* the Committee to continue its work in conformity with General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI) and, in this framework, to consider additional appropriate measures to enhance the work of the Committee and its effectiveness;

13. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session [2015] the item entitled "Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country".

<sup>1</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/69/26).*

<sup>2</sup> Resolution 22 A (I).

<sup>3</sup> See resolution 169 (II).

<sup>4</sup> A/AC.154/355, annex.

## **Observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly (agenda item 169)**

Dec. 69/527, 10 Dec. 14

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, decides to defer a decision on the request for observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly<sup>13</sup> to the seventieth session of the Assembly;

<sup>13</sup>See A/66/141.

## **Observer status for the Developing Eight Countries Organization for Economic Cooperation in the General Assembly (agenda item 171)**

Res. [69/129](#), 10 Dec. 14

[Summary of consideration](#)

[Documents](#)

*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

1. *Decides* to invite the Developing Eight Countries Organization for Economic Cooperation to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the action necessary to implement the present resolution.

## **Observer status for the Pacific Community in the General Assembly (agenda item 172)**

Res. [69/130](#), 10 Dec. 14

[Summary of consideration](#)

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

1. *Decides* to invite the Pacific Community to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the action necessary to implement the present resolution.



## 2. Extracts from General Assembly resolutions adopted at prior sessions

### Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts (68<sup>th</sup> session, 2013, agenda item 77)

Res. <a href="#">68/104</a> , 10 Dec. 14	<a href="#">Summary of consideration</a>	<a href="#">Documents</a>	Deadlines (Note Verbale)
3. <i>Requests</i> the Secretary-General to invite Governments to submit further written comments on any future action regarding the articles;			1 Feb 2016 (LA/COD/26, of <a href="#">10 Jan 2014</a> and <a href="#">21 Jan 2015</a> )
4. <i>Also requests</i> the Secretary-General to update the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and to invite Governments to submit information on their practice in this regard, and further requests the Secretary-General to submit this material well in advance of its seventy-first session;			1 Feb 2016 (LA/COD/26, of <a href="#">10 Jan 2014</a> and <a href="#">21 Jan 2015</a> )
5. <i>Decides</i> to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session [2016] the item entitled "Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts" and to further examine, within the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee and with a view to taking a decision, the question of a convention on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts or other appropriate action on the basis of the articles.			

### Diplomatic protection (68<sup>th</sup> session, 2013, agenda item 82)

Res. <a href="#">68/113</a> , 10 Dec. 14	<a href="#">Summary of consideration</a>	<a href="#">Documents</a>	Deadlines (Note Verbale)
1. <i>Commends once again</i> the articles on diplomatic protection <sup>3</sup> to the attention of Governments, and invites them to submit in writing to the Secretary-General any further comments, including comments concerning the recommendation by the International Law Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of the articles; <sup>1</sup>			1 June 2016 (LA/COD/38, of <a href="#">21 Jan 2014</a> and <a href="#">21 Jan 2015</a> )
2. <i>Decides</i> to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session [2016] the item entitled "Diplomatic protection" and, within the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee, in the light of the written comments of Governments, as well as views expressed in the debates held at the sixty-second, sixty-fifth and sixty-eighth sessions of the General Assembly, to continue to examine the question of a convention on diplomatic protection, or any other appropriate action, on the basis of the above-mentioned articles and to also identify any difference of opinion on the articles.			

### Consideration and prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm (68<sup>th</sup> session, 2013, agenda item 83)

Res. <a href="#">68/114</a> , 10 Dec. 14	<a href="#">Summary of consideration</a>	<a href="#">Documents</a>	Deadlines (Note Verbale)
1. <i>Commends once again</i> the articles on prevention of transboundary harm			

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<sup>3</sup> Resolution 62/67, annex.

<sup>1</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/61/10)*, para. 46.



from hazardous activities, the text of which is annexed to General Assembly resolution [62/68](#), to the attention of Governments, without prejudice to any future action, as recommended by the International Law Commission regarding the articles;

2. *Also commends once again* the principles on the allocation of loss in the case of transboundary harm arising out of hazardous activities, the text of which is annexed to General Assembly resolution [61/36](#), to the attention of Governments, without prejudice to any future action, as recommended by the Commission regarding the principles;

3. *Invites* Governments to submit further comments on any future action, in particular on the form of the respective articles and principles, bearing in mind the recommendations made by the Commission in that regard, including in relation to the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the articles, as well as on any practice in relation to the application of the articles and principles;

31 May 2016  
(LA/COD/18/1, of  
[13 Jan 2014](#) and [12 Jan 2015](#))

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and the principles;

([LA/COD/18/2](#), of  
13 Jan 2014)

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session [2016] the item entitled "Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm".

## **The law of transboundary aquifers (68<sup>th</sup> session, 2013, agenda item 87)**

Res. [68/118](#), 10 Dec. 14

[Summary of consideration](#)

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*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

1. *Commends* to the attention of Governments the draft articles on the law of transboundary aquifers annexed to the present resolution as guidance for bilateral or regional agreements and arrangements for the proper management of transboundary aquifers;

([LA/COD/58](#), of 14  
Jan 2014)

2. *Encourages* the International Hydrological Programme of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to continue its contribution by offering further scientific and technical assistance to the States concerned;

([LA/COD/58](#), of 14  
Jan 2014)

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session [2016] the item entitled "The law of transboundary aquifers".

## **Measures to eliminate international terrorism (50<sup>th</sup> session, 1995, agenda item 146)**

Res. [50/53](#), 11 Dec. 95

*Deadlines (Note Verbale)*

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow up closely the implementation of the Declaration and to submit an annual report on the implementation of paragraph 10 of the Declaration, taking into account the modalities set out in his report [A/50/372 and Add.1] and the views expressed by States in the debate of the Sixth Committee during the fiftieth session of the General Assembly;

1 June 2015  
([LA/COD/11/3](#), of  
14 Jan 2015)

## **Measures to eliminate international terrorism (49<sup>th</sup> session, 1994, agenda item 142)**

10. The Secretary-General should assist in the implementation of the present Declaration by taking, within existing resources, the following practical measures to enhance international cooperation:

1 June 2015  
([LA/COD/11/1](#), of  
21 Jan 2015 and  
[LA/COD/11/2](#), of  
14 Jan 15)

(a) A collection of data on the status and implementation of existing multilateral, regional and bilateral agreements relating to international terrorism, including information on incidents caused by international terrorism and criminal prosecutions and sentencing, based on information received from the depositaries of those agreements and from Member States;

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## Annex I – Deadlines for the submission of information and receipt of comments from Governments and international organizations requested by the General Assembly

Information as of January 2015

<i>Deadline (Note Verbale No.)</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>G.A. Res.</i>	<i>Request</i>
<b>31 January 2015</b>	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-sixth session	<a href="#">69/118</a> of 10 December 2014	The General Assembly drew the attention of Governments to the importance of having their views by 31 January 2015 on the various aspects of the topics on the agenda of the Commission, in particular on all the specific issues identified in chapter III of its report, regarding: (a) Subsequent agreements and subsequent practice in relation to treaty interpretation; (b) Protection of the atmosphere; (c) Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction; (d) Identification of customary international law; (e) Protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts; (f) Provisional application of treaties; (g) Crimes against humanity;
<b>Before 30 April 2015</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/59/1</a> , 21 Jan 15 & <a href="#">LA/COD/59/2</a> , 21 Jan 15)	The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction	<a href="#">69/124</a> of 10 December 2014	States and relevant observers are requested to submit information and observations which they might deem relevant for the inclusion in the report of the Secretary-General on the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, to be considered at the seventieth session of the General Assembly (2015).
<b>30 May 2015</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/50</a> , 21 Jan 15)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	<a href="#">69/114</a> of 14 December 2014	All States are requested to submit to the Secretary-General any information on the establishment of jurisdiction for crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, as well as any practical problems in the implementation of the resolution, to be considered at the seventieth session of the General Assembly (2015).
<b>1 June 2015</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/11/1</a> , 21 Jan 15)	Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism	<a href="#">69/127</a> of 10 December 2014	States are requested to submit data on the status and implementation of existing multilateral, regional and bilateral agreements relating to international terrorism, including information on incidents caused by international terrorism and criminal prosecutions and sentencing, based on information received from the depositaries of those agreements and from Member States, to be considered at the seventieth session of the General Assembly (2015).
<b>1 June 2015</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/11/2</a> , 21 Jan 15)	Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism	<a href="#">69/127</a> of 10 December 2014	International organizations are requested to submit data on the status and implementation of existing multilateral, regional and bilateral agreements relating to international terrorism, including information on incidents caused by international terrorism and criminal prosecutions and sentencing, based on information received from the depositaries of those agreements and from Member States, to be considered at the seventieth session of the General Assembly (2015).

<b>1 June 2015</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/11/3</a> , 21 Jan 15)	Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism	<a href="#">69/127</a> of 10 December 2014	Regional intergovernmental organizations are invited to submit to the Secretary-General information on the measures they have adopted at the regional level to eliminate international terrorism, as well as on intergovernmental meetings held by those organizations
<b>1 January 2016</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/57</a> , 26 Nov. 14)	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-sixth session – Protection of persons in the event of disasters	<a href="#">69/118</a> of 10 December 2014	Governments are invited to submit their comments and observations on the draft articles on the topic “Protection of persons in the event of disasters”, adopted on first reading by the Commission at its sixty-sixth session (2014), to be considered at the sixty-eighth session of the Commission (2016).
<b>1 January 2016</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/57</a> , 26 Nov. 14)	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-sixth session – Protection of persons in the event of disasters	<a href="#">69/118</a> of 10 December 2014	The United Nations, including the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction, and competent international organizations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies are invited to submit comments on the draft articles on the topic “Protection of persons in the event of disasters”, adopted on first reading by the Commission at its sixty-sixth session (2014), to be considered at the sixty-eighth session of the Commission (2016).
<b>1 Feb 2016</b> (LA/COD/26, <a href="#">10 Jan 14</a> & <a href="#">21 Jan 15</a> )	Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts	<a href="#">68/104</a> of 16 December 2013	Governments are requested to submit further written comments on any future action regarding the articles and information regarding decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles for inclusion by the Secretary-General in an updated version of the compilation of information concerning such practice to be submitted well in advance of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly, and to be considered at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly (2016).
<b>15 May 2016</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/4</a> , 21 Jan 2015)	Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives	<a href="#">69/121</a> of 10 December 2014	<p>All States are requested to report to the Secretary-General, in a concise and expeditious manner and in accordance with the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General, serious violations of the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;</p> <p>The State in which the violation took place — and, to the extent possible, the State where the alleged offender is present — to report to the Secretary-General, in a concise and expeditious manner and in accordance with the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General, on measures taken to bring the offender to justice and eventually to communicate, in accordance with its laws, the final outcome of the proceedings against the offender, and to report on measures adopted with a view to preventing a repetition of such violations;</p> <p>States- to inform the Secretary-General of their views with respect to any measures needed or already taken to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international</p>

			intergovernmental organizations. To be considered at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly (2016).
<b>31 May 2016</b> (LA/COD/18/1, <a href="#">13 Jan 14</a> & <a href="#">12 Jan 15</a> )	Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm	<a href="#">68/114</a> of 16 December 2013	States are invited to submit further comments on any future action, in particular on the form of respective articles and principles, bearing in mind the recommendations made by the Commission in that regard, including in relation to the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the draft articles, as well as on any practice in relation to the application of the articles and principles, to be considered at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly (2016).
<b>1 June 2016</b> (LA/COD/38, <a href="#">21 Jan 14</a> & <a href="#">21 Jan 15</a> )	Diplomatic protection	<a href="#">68/113</a> of 16 December 2013	Governments are requested to submit in writing to the Secretary-General any further comments, including comments concerning the recommendation by the Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of the articles on diplomatic protection, to be considered at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly (2016).
<b>1 June 2016</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/2</a> , 21 Jan 15)	Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts	<a href="#">69/120</a> of 10 December 2012	Member States are requested to send information which they might deem relevant for inclusion in the report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Additional Protocols relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts, as well as on measures taken to strengthen the existing body of international humanitarian law, inter alia, with respect to its dissemination and full implementation at the national level. They are encouraged, in transmitting information to the Secretary-General, to focus on new developments and activities during the reporting period. To be considered at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly (2016).
<b>1 Feb 2017</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/43</a> , 7 Jan 15)	Responsibility of international organizations	<a href="#">69/126</a> of 10 December 2014	Governments are requested to submit written comments on any future action regarding the articles on the responsibility of international organizations and information regarding decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles for inclusion by the Secretary-General in a compilation of information concerning such practice to be submitted well in advance of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly (2017), and to be considered at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly (2017).
<b>1 June 2017</b> ( <a href="#">LA/COD/47</a> , 21 Jan 15)	Effects of armed conflicts on treaties	<a href="#">69/125</a> of 10 December 2014	Governments are requested to submit in writing to the Secretary-General any comments on any future action regarding the articles on the effects of armed conflicts on treaties, to be considered at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly (2017).



## **Annex II – Guidelines for the submission of information and receipt of comments**

Written submissions by Governments of comments and observations, as requested by the General Assembly, and other written communications to the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee, should be addressed to either: the Secretary-General of the United Nations; the Secretariat; the Legal Counsel of the United Nations, or the Director of the Codification Division/ Secretary of the Sixth Committee, as appropriate. Official correspondence should not be addressed to individual staff members of the Secretariat.

### **Format of submissions**

Submissions should indicate the reference number (i.e. LA/COD/...) of the topic. All communications should be submitted on the official letterhead of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations and signed or initialled by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission. All submissions should be in one or more of the official languages of the United Nations only.

### **Transmittal of submissions**

Original hardcopy submissions may be :

Sent by mail to:

United Nations Headquarters  
Office of Legal Affairs – Codification Division  
405E 42<sup>nd</sup> St. (DC2-0570)  
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