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Think Green!
Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10
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2017 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment
10:00 to 10:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Sub-Working Group – Major Equipment
10:30 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3
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Sub-Working Group – Self-Sustainment
10:30 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5
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Sub-Working Group – Medical Support Service
10:30 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Human Rights Council
Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice
Eighteenth session
10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9
15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9
Economic and Social Council
United Nations Children’s Fund
Executive Board

Pre-session briefing
10:00 to 13:00
Conference Room 1

Informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (Tuesday, 7, to Thursday, 9 February 2017)

The pre-session will be combined with an informal briefing on: (a) Private fundraising and partnerships: 2017 workplan and proposed budget; (b) Updated road map to and outline of the Strategic Plan for 2018-2021; and (c) Assessment of ways to enhance results-based budgeting and assessment of the resource allocation system.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund

Informal consultations
10:00 to 13:00
Conference Room 8

On draft country programme documents:


United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): for Haiti, Botswana and Chad

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

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

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “International Day of Neutrality” (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)
11:00 to 12:30
Conference Room B

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Day” (under agenda item 13) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Argentina)
15:00 to 17:00
Conference Room A
Other meetings

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Symposium entitled “The Role of Religion and Faith-Based Organizations in International Affairs” (co-organized by the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect, the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on Engaging Faith-based Organizations for Development, the Committee of Religious Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) at the United Nations, the General Board of Church and Society of the United Methodist Church, the General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists and the World Council of Churches)

09:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 11

13:00 to 15:00

Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact Ms. Simona Cruciani, Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect (e-mail cruciani@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5430).

Briefing on “Follow-up to the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants: Towards a Global Compact on Refugees” (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR))

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room B

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kaitlyn Pritchard, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail kaitlyn.pritchard@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1155).

Briefing on “The Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty” (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 12

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact OHCHR (e-mail newyork@ohchr.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5931).

Briefing on “2017 Global Infrastructure Forum” (co-organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the European Investment Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank)

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact DESA (Mr. Arend Janssen (e-mail janssena@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5620); or Ms. Jie Wei (e-mail weij@un.org; 1 (212) 963-5105)); or click here.
Meeting on “Against Empathy” (organized by the Women’s International Forum, in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica)

13:15 to 14:30  ⚻ [webcast]  Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information, please click here.

African Group (legal experts)

15:00 to 18:00  Closed meeting  Conference Room 12

Brainstorming session on “Responsible Governance on Disarmament and Non-proliferation for Progress and Sustainable Development” (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belarus, Kazakhstan and Suriname, and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

15:00 to 17:00  ⚻ [webcast]  Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail vitaly.mackay@gmail.com); to register, please click here.

Group of 77 (on the Commission on Social Development)

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

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) ⚻ [webcast]

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

General Assembly
Seventy-first session

Tuesday, 24 January 2017

High-level dialogue on “Building Sustainable Peace for all: Synergies between the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustaining Peace”

09:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber
Opening segment

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber
High-level segment and plenary debate

11:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber
Interactive panel discussion on taking a comprehensive approach to sustainable development and sustaining peace

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber
Plenary debate (continued)

15:00
Workshops focusing on linkages across three themes (in parallel):

1. Empowering women and youth for peace and sustainable development Conference Room 1

2. Managing natural resources for peace and sustainable development Conference Room 11

3. Strengthening transparent, inclusive, and accountable institutions Conference Room 12

17:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber
Interactive discussion among the moderators of Workshops 1, 2 and 3

17:55 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Closing

[Please click here for more information. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 6 December 2016 and 10 January 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to speak in the high-level segment and the plenary debate are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org). Statements in the high-level segment should not exceed five minutes and statements in the plenary debate should not exceed three minutes. For PaperSmart Services, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for]
posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. For more information on the event, please click here.

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

Monday, 20 February 2017

10:00 1st meeting

Trusteeship Council Chamber

[Letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

15:00 280th meeting (closed)

Conference Room 12

Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; Room S-3632)).

The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5).

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Preparatory meeting

Wednesday, 15, and Thursday, 16 February 2017

10:00

Conference Room 4

15:00

Conference Room 4

The President of the General Assembly, pursuant to operative paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 70/303, will convene a two-day preparatory meeting, to be chaired by the co-facilitators appointed to oversee the preparatory process and to conclude the intergovernmental consultations on a “Call for Action”, His Excellency Álvaro Mendonça Moura, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations, and His Excellency Burhan Gafoor, Permanent Representative of Singapore to the United Nations, with a view to considering the themes for the partnership dialogues of the Conference and elements for a “Call for Action”.

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As stipulated in Assembly resolution 70/303, the preparatory process shall be open to all States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Other relevant stakeholders, including organizations and bodies of the United Nations, intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private and philanthropic organizations, whose work is relevant to the Conference and accredited in accordance with the provisions of resolution 70/303, are invited to participate as observers. Associate members of the regional commissions are also invited to participate as observers. Additional information on registration and accreditation is available on the Conference website, please click here.

For additional information on the preparatory meeting please contact Ms. Ling Wang (e-mail wang24@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0727), Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 November 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]
come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee”. Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the secretariat (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the secretariat (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.2 (to be issued). The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/71/587 and A/71/587/Add.1 and posted on the website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org/). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the website.

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

The list of speakers for the general debate (21-22 February) will open on Monday, 23 January 2017. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)). In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to 10 minutes when speaking in their national capacity and to 20 minutes when speaking on behalf of a group of countries.

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart4@un.org, at least two hours in advance, of their designated speaking slot and bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.

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

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).
The pre-session meeting will be combined with an informal briefing on corporate evaluation of UN-Women Regional Architecture.

First regular session
Tuesday, 14 February 2017

The annotated provisional agenda and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2017/L.1. Advance copies of documentation are available on the UN-Women Executive Board website. Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to Ms. Rocío Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org).

For requests to be on the speakers' list for agenda item 2 (evaluation), please send an e-mail to rocio.torres@unwomen.org, as early as possible, but no later than Friday, 3 February 2017. There will be no prepared speaker lists for the other agenda items.

The upcoming first regular session will be PaperSmart as per established practice. All official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal (click here) and will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

Member States may however make specific requests for hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org) at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

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

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Organizational Committee
Wednesday, 25 January 2017

10:00

Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Thursday, 26 January 2017

10:00

Economic and Social Council Chamber

The President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe) will convene a plenary meeting, in order to elect a Vice-President of the Council at its 2017 session. The Council
will also take action on a draft proposal relating to the theme of its 2017 integration segment (to be issued as document E/2017/L.11).

Youth Forum
Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold its sixth youth forum on the theme “The role of youth in poverty eradication and promoting prosperity in a changing world”.

A ministerial roundtable on youth issues and youth engagement in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be held immediately following the opening segment.

In view of the interactive nature of the youth forum, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to three minutes (five minutes for groups).

All are invited to attend. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations who wish to participate, should communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o alejandrino@un.org, with a copy to simonp@un.org) no later than noon on Friday, 27 January 2017, in order to be provided a seat in the plenary room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the youth forum, including the draft programme, general concept note and ministerial roundtable concept note, as well as logistical information for participation, is available on the website of the Council (click here) or please contact Mr. Paul Simon, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail simonp@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5027).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2017 regular session
Monday, 30 January, to Wednesday, 8 February and Tuesday, 21 February 2017

The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2017/1. Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org, with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057).

Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (please click here).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.
Commission for Social Development
Fifty-fifth session
Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 10 February 2017
Wednesday, 1 February 2017
10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2017/1. For further information on the fifty-fifth and previous sessions of the Commission, please click here.

For the participation and seating arrangements, members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org), with a copy to Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4, only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, by Friday, 27 January 2017, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. Delegations should contact the secretariat regarding accessibility requirements, as soon as possible (e-mail doultonf@un.org).

General discussion under item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all) will begin on Wednesday, 1 February 2017, following the opening of the session. The general discussion under item 3 (b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Friday, 3 February 2017, in the afternoon. For further details, please consult the proposed organization of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2017/1.

The lists of speakers are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, in writing, Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed seven minutes, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed ten minutes, and statements made by observers should not exceed five minutes.

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

To consult comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please click here.

United Nations Children’s Fund

Executive Board
First regular session
Tuesday, 7, to Thursday, 9 February 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work of the UNICEF Executive Board are contained in document E/ICEF/2017/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by clicking here. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested
to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1 (212) 326-7096); or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but no later than Friday, 3 February 2017.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene. The time limit set for delivering statements during the general discussion is five minutes for speakers on behalf of groups and three minutes for individual delegations.

As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website (click here). The upcoming 2017 first regular session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website (click here).

UNICEF is fully committed to diversity and inclusion. To ensure that the Executive Board session is fully accessible, participants are kindly reminded of a few basic tenets that will enable all delegates to enjoy the full benefit of the deliberations. To the extent possible, speakers are encouraged to introduce themselves and to read out and/or verbally describe visual materials in slides, charts and graphs.

The United Nations provides a range of tools and services in support of persons with disabilities through its Accessibility Centre (located in the first basement level of the Conference Building); an Accessibility Service Kiosk (adjacent to the Information Desk at the Visitors’ Entrance); and a Documents Assistance Centre (in the Delegates’ Lounge). UNICEF would be happy to put delegates in touch with the Centre, or – with advance notice – they need to let UNICEF know what kind of services would be needed to procure on their behalf.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the ‘In-session’ webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website.

Delegations are kindly requested to bring 10 copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

First regular session 2017

Monday, 30 January, to Friday, 3 February 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2017/L1. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website (click here) and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website (click here). Member States, observers and other
organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org, with copy to ferguson@unfpa.org, as early as possible, but not later than Monday, 23 January 2017.

The first regular session 2017 will continue to use the electronic system to identify requests to take the floor. Delegations with a special interest on any of the UNDP and UNOPS agenda items are kindly requested to communicate their intention to intervene during such items to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org. Interventions related to UNFPA items should be communicated to speakerslist@unfpa.org.

As per established practice, the first regular session 2017 will be PaperSmart. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission. The portal will be accessible via papersmart.un.org.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal.

Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers’ desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

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United Nations Population Fund

Briefings

Wednesday, 1 February 2017
13:15 to 14:45

On the UNFPA Strategic Plan 2018-2021
All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Friday, 3 February 2017
10:00 to 11:00

On UNFPA humanitarian response funding
All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.
Forthcoming other meetings

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Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

Tuesday, 24 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Group of Least Developed Countries (briefing by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) on its mandate and programs, and preview of the Strategic Framework road map)

Tuesday, 24 January 2017

10:00 to 12:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Briefing on “Refugee protection and mixed migration” (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR))

Tuesday, 24 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Jenifer Fenton, UNHCR New York Office (e-mail fenton@unhcr.org; tel. 1 (646) 255-3054).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Tuesday, 24 January 2017

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

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday, 24 January 2017

15:30 to 17:30 Closed meeting Conference Room B


Wednesday, 25, to Friday, 27 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11
15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Elias Centellas, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail centellas@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 363-6663).
Event entitled “Mental Health for All: Local Strategies” (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Palau and Panama, the New York City Mayor’s Office for International Affairs, the ThriveNYC and the World Health Organization (WHO))

Wednesday, 25 January 2017
11:30 to 13:00
Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kenlie Lipiano, Permanent Mission of Palau (e-mail proffice@palauun.org; tel. 1 (212) 813-0310).

Briefing on “The Water-food Nexus: Tackling Water Scarcity in the Context of Sustainable Development” (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO))

Wednesday, 25 January 2017
12:00 to 13:00
Conference Room 8

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Anastasia Kefalidou, FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail kefalidoua@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0990); or click here.

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level (with the Secretary-General))

Wednesday, 25 January 2017
17:45 to 18:45
Closed meeting
Conference Room 12

Workshop entitled “International Law: Challenges and Opportunities for the International Criminal Court” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the United Nations Institute of Training and Research (UNITAR))

Thursday, 26 January 2017
09:30 to 13:00
Conference Room D
15:00 to 17:00
Conference Room D

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Pelayo Alvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Briefing entitled “Educating against Extremism, Building a Better Future” (in observance of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the victims of the Holocaust (27 January)) (organized by NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section and the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information)

Thursday, 26 January 2017
11:00 to 12:30
Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI/NGO Relations (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).
Special events on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (27 January) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI))

NGO briefing on “Holocaust Remembrance: Educating against Extremism, Building a Better Future”

Thursday, 26 January 2017
11:00 to 12:30
Conference Room 1

All are invited to attend. To register, please click here.

United Nations Holocaust Memorial Ceremony on the theme “Holocaust Remembrance: Educating for a Better Future”

Friday, 27 January 2017
11:00 to 12:45
General Assembly Hall

All are invited to attend. To register, please click here.

[To consult the complete list of special events on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust, please click here.]

Briefing on “Future of financing for sustainable development” (organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the World Bank Group)

Thursday, 26 January 2017
13:15 to 14:45
Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Gustavo Bono, World Bank (e-mail gbono@worldbank.org).

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

Thursday, 26 January 2017
15:00 to 18:00
Closed meeting

Multi-Stakeholder Forum “Women’s Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work” (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 30 January 2017
10:00 to 13:00
Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00
Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Estefania Guallar, UN-Women (e-mail estefania.guallar@unwomen.org); or click here.

Monday, 30 January 2017
13:15 to 14:30
Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kris Supangkat, UNCDF (e-mail krisanhty.supangkat@uncdf.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6436).

Interactive meeting on “Africa’s Youth on the Rise! Harnessing Africa’s Youth Dividend to Achieve Prosperity for All” (co-organized by the Economic and Social Council, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, the African Union, the Pan-African Youth Union, the United Nations Development Programme and the African Development Bank)

Tuesday, 31 January 2017
09:30 to 11:00
Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576); to register, please click here.

Event entitled “Media and Information Literacy: Educational Strategies for the Prevention of Violent Extremism” (co-organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) and United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI))

Thursday, 9 February 2017
15:00 to 18:00
Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jordi Torrent, UNAOC (e-mail jordit@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6216).

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**Announcements**

**United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law**

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs recently added the following lectures in Spanish to the Lecture Series of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law (AVL) Website: Professor Concepción Escobar Hernández – “International Criminal Court” and “International Court of Justice: 70 years later”.

All interested parties are invited to visit the website, please click here to access the lectures.
Highlights of Security Council Practice

The Highlights of Security Council Practice provides an annual review of Security Council activities since 2011. This publication contains statistical information on the evolving practice of the Security Council relating to meetings, missions, agenda, decisions and voting patterns, as well as on its subsidiary bodies.

The 2016 Highlights of Security Council is now available online (click here). It is also available on the Security Council website (click here). The Highlights is produced by the Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch in the Security Council Affairs Division of the Department of Political Affairs. The Branch is also responsible for the drafting of the Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council, which provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council’s interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure since 1946.

For more information about the 2016 Highlights of Security Council Practice, please contact Mr. Xu Zheng (tel. 1 (917) 367-6900), Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch, Security Council Affairs Division, Department of Political Affairs.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

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

- Introduction to UN Documents (English, French)
- Security Council Documentation
- Introduction to Library Services
- Finding Speeches
- Voting Information
- General Assembly Documentation
- Treaty Research

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

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

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

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/139 (A/RES/71/139).
The curriculum for this seminar will include: International Law (Ms. Boisson de Chazournes), International Trade Law and Environmental Law (Mr. Mbengue), African Union Law and Institutions (Judge Kioko), International and African Human Rights Law (Mr. Okafor), Law of the Sea (Ms. Oral); as well as International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law (Judge Advocate General Riordan).

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

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

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

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

Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council

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

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

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


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

Calendar of conferences and meetings

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

Friday, 20 January 2017

Security Council

7867th meeting (closed) Meeting of the Security Council with the troop- and police-contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:


“The President invited Mr. Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure.

“The Security Council and the troop- and police-contributing countries heard a briefing by Mr. Ladsous.”

7868th meeting Peace consolidation in West Africa

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel (S/2016/1072)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Security Council began its consideration of the item and adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2017/2).

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests

Working Group

9th meeting Recommendations of the working group to the special session of the United Nations Forum on Forests [item 3]

The Co-Chair of the Forum (Netherlands) made a statement.

Fifth reading of the draft United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests

Second reading of the draft Quadrennial Programme of Work

The Forum continued its consideration of the agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of the United States, the Russian Federation, Chile, Brazil, China, Switzerland, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Nigeria, Canada, Ghana, Japan, Ukraine, Indonesia, Australia, Norway and India; as well as by the observer of the European Union.
Statements were also made by the representatives of the following major groups: scientific and technological communities; and farmers and small forest landowners.

Statements were made by the Director of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the Secretary.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Netherlands).

10th meeting


Special session

1st meeting

The summary of the 1st meeting of the Special session of the United Nations Forum on Forests will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2017/15).

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**Signatures, Ratifications, etc.**

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

[**Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General**]

*International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966*  
*Notifications under article 4 (3):* Ecuador (20 January 2017)

*Ratification:* Paraguay (20 January 2017)

*Paris Agreement. Paris, 12 December 2015*  
*Ratification:* Lesotho (20 January 2017)
General information

Chairs of regional groups

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

African States
Burundi
His Excellency Albert Shingiro

Asia-Pacific States
Lebanon
His Excellency Nawaf Salam

Eastern European States
Lithuania
Her Excellency Raimonda Murmokaitė

Latin American and Caribbean States
Cuba
Her Excellency Ana Silvia Rodríguez Abascal
Chargée d’Affaires

Western European and other States
Switzerland
His Excellency Jürg Lauber

General Assembly
Seventy-first session

Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers of plenary meetings of the General Assembly are kindly requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal available at http://delegate.un.int. The e-Speakers link to inscribe for the plenary meetings is open. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM help-desk (help-desk@un.org). For any other inquiries regarding the list of speakers, please contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org).

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

The submission and co-sponsorship of all draft resolutions and decisions in the General Assembly plenary now takes place via the General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship application in the e-deleGATE portal at http://delegate.un.int. Please click here for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly. Permanent Missions to the United Nations are invited to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mailgaplenary-e-sponsorship@un.org) of those accredited delegates who should be granted access to General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship, using a registration form that was provided to the Missions and is available on the General Assembly website (click here). Based on the information received, delegates will be
issued a username and a password to access the Portal. For questions on the submission of a draft resolution or a draft decision for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (Room S-3044).

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

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

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 66, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), 116 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

The schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of its seventy-first session will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please click here.

There is no pre-determined calendar of meetings for the resumed part of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

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Requests should include the following language “I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as an official document of the General Assembly under agenda item __”. The letter must be sent to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General in the original, with an original signature or stamp.

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

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please click here.
for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail emeetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

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For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

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

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

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

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For audiovisual services, please contact BCSS/DM (request-for-services@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9485);

For loaning of technological equipment (PC, printer, etc.), please contact OICT/DM (e-mail itservices@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3333).

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For eSubscription a simple and fast alternate way to access United Nations parliamentary documents electronically through the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management’s eSubscription service, please click here.

Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the Journal and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the
eSubscription page at www.undocs.org. An overview of all documents with the options “e-mail” or “RSS” next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates’ Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32.

To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

*Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters* are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

The *United Nations Accessibility Centre* offers assistive information and communication technology to support audio, visual as well as physical impairments. The assistive devices are available on-site or as a loan to participants with disabilities. The Accessibility Centre is located in the Conference Building (Level 1B) (by the Secretariat Building escalators). For more information, please click here.

Complementing the Accessibility Centre’s service in Room S-1B032, the *Accessibility Service Kiosk (AsK)* is located within the Service Desk in the General Assembly visitor’s lobby. The hours of operation for the AsK are from 09:00 to 17:30, weekdays and will be operational until the suspension of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly at the end of the year.

Please e-mail accessibilitycentre@un.org for further information.

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**Security Council**

**Communications to the President of the Security Council**

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The website of the Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on “Programme of work” on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.
Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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Information regarding the Journal of the United Nations

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Kindly take note that the English and French versions of the Journal are accessible to blind and visually impaired users via screen readers.


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Emergency information and updates

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The website also offers the option of subscription to e-mail, SMS and voice call alerts. In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

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These easy to use kiosks are located in the Delegates Lounge in the General Assembly Hall on the Second Floor and in the Vienna Café area in the Secretariat Building.

DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.
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