

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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adopted at prior sessions)

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Explanatory note:

The following informal compilation reproduces the operative paragraphs of General Assembly resolutions adopted at the seventy-fifth [2020] and prior sessions in which action to be undertaken in 2021 and in subsequent years, 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 and to relevant pages on the website of the Sixth Committee, which contain summaries of the consideration of each agenda item and relevant documentation. 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 guidelines for the submission of information to the Secretariat.

Please note: As regards deadlines for information requested by the International Law Commission concerning topics on its current agenda, attention is drawn to [chapter III](#) of the annual report and to operative paragraphs 5 and 6 of General Assembly resolution [75/135](#).

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4. *Also welcomes* the work of the Special Coordinator on Improving the United Nations Response to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse, and requests the Secretary-General to regularly update Member States on progress with respect to the implementation of the mandate of the Special Coordinator;

6. *Urges* the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that his zero-tolerance policy for criminal activities, such as sexual exploitation and abuse, fraud and corruption, is made known to all United Nations officials and experts on mission at all levels, especially those in managerial positions, and is fully implemented in a coherent and coordinated manner throughout the United Nations, including funds and programmes, and calls upon all entities in the United Nations to inform and to cooperate fully with the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat in all cases involving allegations that a crime may have been committed by a United Nations official or expert on mission;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure greater quality and consistency in investigations by investigative entities of the Organization through the development of harmonized standards of investigation, including verification of allegations and information received;

8. *Expresses its concern* with respect to the low rate of response from States to referred allegations and to requests for information on their provisions addressing the establishment of jurisdiction over crimes, as urged in its resolution [74/181](#), and in particular expresses its deep concern with regard to the significant number of instances where States to which allegations have been referred have failed to advise the United Nations of any steps taken in response to such referrals, and also with regard to the failure to acknowledge such referrals;

9. *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;

10. *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

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other appropriate assistance in developing such legal measures to States requesting such support;

11. *Encourages* all States and the United Nations to cooperate with each other 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;

12. *Encourages* all States:

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(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;

(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;

13. *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, and also requests the Secretariat to take all appropriate measures to continue to ensure that all such personnel, as well as United Nations officials, are properly vetted by the States contributing personnel and by the Organization for any prior misconduct while serving with the United Nations;

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14. *Urges* the Secretary-General to make Member States contributing personnel to serve as experts on mission aware of the necessity of providing appropriate conduct-related training prior to deployment, and also urges the Secretary-General to continue to take such 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;

15. *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, 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 seventy-seventh 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;

16. *Takes note* of the briefings by the Secretariat during the seventieth to seventy-fifth sessions, and decides to organize another briefing at the seventy-sixth session with a view to furthering discussion on measures that could be taken to help to ensure the accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission and prevent future crimes;

17. *Recognizes* the efforts of Member States towards devising concrete proposals to ensure the accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission, and encourages all Member States to redouble their efforts informally during the intersessional period, with the support of the Secretariat, in particular through the organization of informal briefings;

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring credible allegations that reveal that a crime may have been committed by a United Nations official or expert on mission to the attention of the States against whose nationals such allegations are made and to request from those States updates, as set out in paragraph 20 below, on 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;

19. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to seek, from all States that have notified the United Nations with respect to investigations or prosecutions of crimes allegedly committed by United Nations officials or experts on mission, updates on the status of their investigations or prosecutions, provided that this would not prejudice national investigations or national proceedings;

20. *Urges* the States referred to in paragraphs 18 and 19 above to provide to the Secretary-General periodic updates on their handling of the allegations, in order to demonstrate that Member States are taking steps to ensure accountability for crimes committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, in particular by informing the Secretary-General of whether any disciplinary or criminal proceedings have been brought and of the outcome of any such proceedings or the reasons for not initiating them, provided that this would not be contrary to national laws or prejudice national investigations or national proceedings, and requests the Secretary-

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General to continue and undertake the necessary follow-up with the States concerned, by all appropriate forms of communication, with a view to encouraging those States to respond;

21. *Encourages* all States to provide to the Secretary-General a point of contact in order to strengthen and enable efficient communication and cooperation between the United Nations and Member States, and requests the Secretary-General to maintain and update a list of points of contact;

([LA/COD/50/3](#),
of 21 January 2019)

26. *Stresses* the critical importance of ensuring that victims of criminal conduct perpetrated by United Nations officials and experts on mission are made aware of available victim assistance and support, including from a gender perspective, and requests the Secretary-General to report to the Sixth Committee on available victim assistance and support during the briefing at its seventy-sixth session;

27. *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](#), [68/105](#), [69/114](#), [70/114](#), [71/134](#), [72/112](#), [73/196](#) and [74/181](#), and urges Governments to continue to take 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 10 above, in the information provided to the Secretary-General;

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28. *Recalls its request* in resolution [74/181](#) for Governments to provide specific details on the measures taken, as necessary, for the implementation of its resolutions [62/63](#), [63/119](#), [64/110](#), [65/20](#), [66/93](#), [67/88](#), [68/105](#), [69/114](#), [70/114](#), [71/134](#), [72/112](#) and [73/196](#), and notes that, in response to those resolutions, 158 submissions and 17 questionnaire responses were received from 65 Member States between 6 December 2007 and 18 August 2020;

29. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep up to date the online compilation of the full submissions and questionnaire responses as well as the online summary table of national provisions, based on information received from Member States since 2007, regarding the establishment of jurisdiction over their nationals whenever they serve as United Nations officials or experts on mission, in relation to crimes as known in their existing national criminal laws, particularly those of a serious nature, and also requests the Secretary-General to prepare a report containing a general overview of national provisions, based on the information received, for the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly, provided that sufficient information has been received from Member States;

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30. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General setting out updates to all relevant existing policies and procedures of the United Nations system regarding the allegations referred to in paragraphs 18 and 19 above,¹ and requests the Secretary-General to continue to report on any updates to those policies and procedures and to develop recommendations to help to ensure that such policies and procedures

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of 18 December 2020)

¹ [A/75/228](#).

relating to the reporting, investigation, referral and follow-up of credible allegations revealing that a crime may have been committed by a United Nations official or expert on mission are coherent, systematic and coordinated throughout the United Nations system;

31. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution, in particular with respect to paragraphs 10, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20 and 30 above, as well as any practical problems in its implementation, on the basis of information received from Governments and the Secretariat;

([LA/COD/50/1](#),
of 18 December 2020); and
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32. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to continue to improve reporting methods and expand the scope of reporting by providing information on the allegations referred to in paragraphs 18 and 19 above, as well as information received pursuant to paragraph 20 since 1 July 2007, limited to the United Nations entity involved, the year of referral, the dates and methods of follow-up requests from the Secretary-General, information about the type of crime and a summary of allegations, the status of investigations, prosecutorial and disciplinary actions taken, including with respect to individuals concerned who have left the duty mission or the service of the United Nations, any requests for waivers of immunity, as applicable, and information on jurisdictional, evidentiary or other obstacles to prosecution, while protecting the privacy of the victims as well as respecting the privacy and rights of those subject to the allegations;

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2. *Commends* the completion of the Legal Guide to Uniform Legal Instruments in the Area of International Commercial Contracts (with a focus on sales) prepared by the secretariat of the Commission in coordination with the Hague Conference on Private International Law and the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law;

3. *Welcomes* the entry into force on 12 September 2020 of the United Nations Convention on International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation (Singapore Convention on Mediation), adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution [73/198](#) of 20 December 2018, and invites Governments and regional economic integration organizations that have not yet done so to consider becoming a party to the Convention;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to operate, through the secretariat of the Commission, the repository of published information in accordance with article 8 of the Rules on Transparency, as a continuation of the project until the end of 2023, to be funded entirely by voluntary contributions, and to keep the General Assembly informed of developments regarding the funding and budgetary situation of the transparency repository;

6. *Takes note with interest* of the progress made by the Commission in its work in the areas of micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises, dispute settlement, investor-State dispute settlement reform, electronic commerce, insolvency law and the

judicial sale of ships,² and encourages the Commission to continue to move forward efficiently to achieve tangible work outcomes in those areas;

11. *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, including on legal issues relating to the digital economy as reaffirmed by the Commission at its fifty-third session, 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 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;

12. *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, 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, and notes with appreciation the organization by the secretariat of the “UNCITRAL Latin American and Caribbean Days” (“UNCITRAL LAC Days”) in partnership with Latin American and Caribbean Governments and regional universities, aimed at promoting awareness and encouraging the study and discussion of Commission texts;

(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 symposiums 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

² See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-fifth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/75/17)*, part two, chaps. IV–IX.

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 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;³

(e) Recalls its resolutions stressing 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, welcomes the efforts of the Secretary-General to ensure greater coordination and coherence among United Nations entities and with donors and recipients, and notes the conclusion of the memorandums of understanding with China, Saudi Arabia, Singapore and Hong Kong, China, to support technical assistance activities in relation to Commission texts and international trade law;

13. *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,⁴ 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 recalls in this regard its previous resolutions related to this matter;

15. *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 providing capacity-building and technical assistance services to States in the Asia-Pacific region, including to international and regional organizations, expresses its appreciation to the Republic of Korea and China, whose contributions enabled continuing operation of the Regional Centre, notes that the continuation of the regional presence relies entirely on extrabudgetary resources, including but not limited to voluntary contributions from States, welcomes 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;

16. *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

³ Resolution [70/1](#).

⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 17* ([A/65/17](#)).

local expertise and capacities in those countries to put in place a regulatory and enabling environment for business, trade and investment;

17. *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 seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly, its consideration of granting travel assistance to the least developed countries, at their request and in consultation with the Secretary-General, and notes the contributions from France, the European Union and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation to the trust fund, which would facilitate the participation of representatives of developing States in the deliberations of Working Group III;

18. *Takes note* of the proposal for the enlargement of the membership of the Commission submitted by Israel and Japan at the fifty-second session of the Commission,⁵ of the progress made through the consultations organized by Japan during the intersessional period and of the willingness of Japan to organize further consultations, and that the Commission encouraged its member States to continue to consult with each other and other interested States on the proposal during the intersessional period and requested the Secretariat to continue to facilitate those intersessional consultations;

24. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General, in conformity with resolutions of the General Assembly on documentation-related matters,⁶ 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;⁷

25. *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;

27. *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;¹²

30. *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

⁵ *Ibid.*, *Seventy-fourth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/74/17)*, para. 311.

⁶ Resolutions [52/214](#), sect. B, [57/283 B](#), sect. III, and [58/250](#), sect. III.

⁷ See 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.

(the CLOUT system), notes the resource-intensive nature of the system, acknowledges the need for further resources to sustain and expand it, in this regard welcomes the renewed efforts by the Commission and its 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;

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law (agenda item 79)

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1. *Reiterates its approval* of the guidelines and recommendations contained in section III of the reports of the Secretary-General,⁸ in particular those designed to strengthen and revitalize the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law in response to the increasing demand for international law training and dissemination activities;
2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to carry out the activities specified in his report⁹ in 2021, including the following activities to be financed from provisions in the regular budget:
 - (a) The International Law Fellowship Programme, with a minimum of 20 fellowships;
 - (b) The United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean, with a minimum of 20 fellowships for each course;
 - (c) The United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law, including its continuation and further development;
 - (d) The dissemination of legal publications and lectures of the Audiovisual Library to developing countries to the extent that there are sufficient resources;
3. *Also authorizes* the Secretary-General to further expand the activities referred to in paragraph 2 above, to be financed from voluntary contributions received pursuant to paragraphs 16, 25 and 26 below;
4. *Commends* the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat for the cost-saving measures undertaken

⁸ [A/70/423](#), [A/71/432](#), [A/72/517](#), [A/72/517/Corr.1](#), [A/73/415](#), [A/74/496](#) and [A/75/389](#).

⁹ [A/75/389](#).

with regard to the International Law Fellowship Programme and the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law to increase the number of fellowships for the training programmes financed from provisions in the regular budget, taking into account the number of applications for these programmes;

5. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to award additional fellowships for the training programmes from available resources under the programme budget for the Programme of Assistance and from voluntary contributions received pursuant to paragraph 26 below;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to consider admitting, for participation in the training programmes, self-funded candidates present in the host country or from countries willing to bear the entire cost of their participation;

7. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to award a minimum of one scholarship in 2021 under the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship on the Law of the Sea, subject to the availability of funds from voluntary contributions;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to include resources under the proposed programme budget for 2022 for the International Law Fellowship Programme, the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean and for the continuation and further development of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law;

12. *Recognizes* the importance of the United Nations legal publications prepared by the Office of Legal Affairs, and once again requests the Secretary-General to issue the publications referred to in his previous report¹⁰ in various formats, including hard copy publications, which are essential for developing countries;

13. *Expresses its appreciation* for the efforts undertaken by the Codification Division to bring up to date the United Nations legal publications, which greatly enhanced the timely issuance thereof and made possible the preparation of legal training materials, and encourages the Division to continue to explore ways of sustaining such efforts into the next budget cycle, subject to the availability of resources;

15. *Expresses its appreciation* for the issuance of the English-language edition of the *International Law Handbook: Collection of Instruments* as a valuable resource for international law education on a broad range of core subjects of international law in its training programmes and for academic institutions in developing countries to promote international law education in those countries;

16. *Also expresses its appreciation* for the issuance of the *Recueil de droit international: Collection d'instruments*, the French language equivalent of the *International Law Handbook*, and requests Member States to provide the voluntary contributions necessary to ensure the completion of such a handbook in the other official languages of the United Nations, as well as its dissemination in developing countries;

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of 26 February 2021)

¹⁰ [A/70/423](#), para. 45.

17. *Requests* the Codification Division to continue to maintain and expand its websites listed in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General as an invaluable tool for the dissemination of international law materials as well as for advanced legal research;

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

22. *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;

24. *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 and winter courses, regional courses and programmes of the Centre for Studies and Research in International Law and International Relations;

25. *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;

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26. *Reiterates its request* to Member States and interested organizations, institutions and individuals to make voluntary contributions for the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law and for the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law organized by the Codification Division as an important complement to the International Law Fellowship Programme;

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27. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States that have made voluntary contributions to support the Programme of Assistance;

28. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session on the implementation of the Programme of Assistance in 2021 and, following consultations with the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, to submit recommendations regarding the Programme in subsequent years;

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5. *Draws the attention* of Governments to the importance for the International Law Commission of having their views, which remain welcome until 31 December 2020, 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,¹¹ regarding:

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

(b) Succession of States in respect of State responsibility;

(c) General principles of law;

(d) Sea-level rise in relation to international law;

6. *Also draws the attention* of Governments to the importance for the International Law Commission of having their comments and observations on the draft conclusions on peremptory norms of general international law (*jus cogens*) and the draft principles on protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts adopted on first reading by the Commission at its seventy-first session,¹² and takes note of the extension of the deadline to 30 June 2021 for Governments, international organizations and others, as applicable, to submit comments and observations to the Secretary-General;

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([LA/COD/67](#),
of 22 September 2020; and
[LA/COD/32](#),
of 24 September 2020)

10. *Also takes note* of paragraph 302 of the report of the International Law Commission,¹³ 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;

14. *Takes note* of paragraph 306 of the report of the International Law Commission,¹⁴ recalls the paramount importance of multilingualism as set forth in General Assembly resolutions [69/324](#) of 11 September 2015 and [71/328](#) of 11 September 2017 on multilingualism, underlines the importance of having the documents of the Commission published in due time in the six official languages of the United Nations while ensuring their accuracy in all official languages, and to this end requests special rapporteurs to submit their reports within the time limits specified by the Secretariat, and the Secretariat to give due consideration to the quality of the translation of the documents of the Commission in the six official languages;

20. *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;

¹¹ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-fourth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/74/10)*.

¹² *Ibid.*, paras. 56 and 70.

¹³ *Ibid.*

¹⁴ *Ibid.*

30. *Takes note* of paragraph 303 of the report of the International Law Commission,¹⁵ and underlines the importance of the publications of the Codification Division to the work of the Commission, welcomes in particular the issuance of the ninth edition of *The Work of the International Law Commission* also in Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish, 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;

31. *Also takes note* of paragraph 308 of the report of the International Law Commission,¹⁶ 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;

32. *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;

([LA/COD/52](#),
of 18 December 2020)

33. *Takes note* of paragraph 309 of the report of the International Law Commission,¹⁷ 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, 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, encourages that Division 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;

35. *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;

36. *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;

37. *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

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, *Seventy-fourth Session, Supplement No. 10* ([A/74/10](#)).

¹⁶ *Ibid.*

¹⁷ *Ibid.*

Secretary-General to forward to the Commission, for its attention, the records of the debate on the report of the Commission, 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;

38. *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;

39. *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;

41. *Recommends* that the debate on the report of the International Law Commission at the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly commence on 25 October 2021.

Crimes against humanity (agenda item 81)

Res. [75/136](#), 15 Dec. 2020

[Summary of Consideration and Documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Takes note* of the draft articles on prevention and punishment of crimes against humanity, presented by the Commission;¹⁸

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-sixth session the item entitled “Crimes against humanity” and to continue to examine the recommendation of the Commission contained in paragraph 42 of its report on the work of its seventy-first session.

Expulsion of aliens (agenda item 82)

Res. [75/137](#), 15 Dec. 2020

[Summary of Consideration and Documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Acknowledges* the comments expressed by Governments in the Sixth Committee at the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly on the subject;¹⁹

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-eighth session the item entitled “Expulsion of aliens”, with a view to examining, inter alia, the question of the form that might be given to the articles or any other appropriate action.

¹⁸ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-fourth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/74/10)*, chap. IV, sect. E.

¹⁹ See [A/C.6/75/SR.16](#).

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts (agenda item 83)

Res. [75/138](#), 15 Dec. 2020

[Summary of Consideration and Documents](#)

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 at the earliest possible date;

3. *Calls upon* all States that are already parties to Protocol I, or those States not parties, upon 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 thereto²⁰ 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;²¹

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

10. *Also welcomes* the increasing number of national commissions or committees for the implementation of international humanitarian law and their work in promoting the incorporation of treaties on international humanitarian law into national law and disseminating the rules of international humanitarian law, and encourages Member States that have not yet done so to consider establishing national commissions or committees, with the support of national Red Cross and Red Crescent societies where relevant, to advise and assist Governments in implementing and disseminating knowledge of international humanitarian law;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-seventh session a comprehensive 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;

12. *Encourages* Member States and the International Committee of the Red Cross, in transmitting information to the Secretary-General, to focus on new developments and activities during the reporting period;

1 June 2022

([LA/COD/2/1](#),
of 19 January 2021; and
[LA/COD/2/2](#),
of 19 January 2021)

²⁰ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 249, No. 3511, and vol. 2253, No. 3511.

²¹ *Ibid.*, vol. 2173, No. 27531.

13. *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-seventh session;

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (agenda item 84)

Res. [75/139](#), 15 Dec. 2020

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

3. *Urges* States to strictly observe, implement and enforce, including during a period of armed conflict, all the applicable principles and rules of international law governing diplomatic and consular relations, including those relating to inviolability, 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 strictly comply with the applicable rules of international law governing the protection and inviolability of premises of diplomatic missions, consular premises and premises of permanent missions with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;

7. *Also 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;

8. *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;

9. *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;

10. *Calls upon* States, in cases where a dispute arises in connection with a violation of their international obligations concerning the protection of the missions, their archives and premises 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;

11. *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,²² 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;

([LA/COD/4](#),
of 17 December 2020)

(b) 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 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;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To send, without delay, a circular note to all States reminding them of the request contained in paragraph 11 above;

(b) To circulate to all States, upon receipt, the reports received by him pursuant to paragraph 11 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 11 above, when a serious violation has been reported pursuant to paragraph 11 (a) above;

(d) To address reminders to States where such violations have occurred if reports pursuant to paragraph 11 (a) above or follow-up reports pursuant to paragraph 11 (b) above have not been made within a reasonable period of time;

²² [A/42/485](#), annex.

13. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to invite States, in the circular note referred to in paragraph 12 (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 as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;

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([LA/COD/4](#),
of 17 December 2020)

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

(a) Information on the state of ratification of and accessions to the instruments referred to in paragraph 9 above;

(b) A summary of the reports received and views expressed pursuant to paragraphs 11 and 13 above;

15. *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 14 above;

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (agenda item 85)

Res. [75/140](#), 15 Dec.
2020

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Decides* that the Special Committee shall hold its next session from 16 to 24 February 2021;

([LA/COD/14](#),
of 6 January 2021)

3. *Requests* the Special Committee, at its session in 2021, 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 2021, including strengthening the relationship and cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations or arrangements in the peaceful settlement of disputes;

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

(c) 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 Assembly in September 2005 that concern the Charter and any amendments thereto;

(d) 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. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in accordance with paragraph 3 of the annex to resolution [71/146](#) of 13 December 2016, to brief the Special Committee at its next session on the document entitled “Introduction and implementation of sanctions imposed by the United Nations” contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution [64/115](#);

5. *Recalls* its decision, in its resolution [72/118](#) of 7 December 2017, to undertake an annual thematic debate in the Special Committee, under the agenda item on the peaceful settlement of disputes, to discuss the means for the settlement of disputes, in accordance with Chapter VI of the Charter, including in particular those contained in Article 33 thereof, and consistent with the Manila Declaration on the Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes,²³ and in that regard:

(a) Invites Member States to focus their comments during the thematic debate, to be held at the next session of the Special Committee, at the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly, on the subtopic “Exchange of information on State practices regarding the use of arbitration”, while ensuring that the other means of dispute settlement will be discussed at the subsequent sessions of the Special Committee;

(b) Also invites Member States to comment on the subtopics of the annual debate in their general statements with a view to having the texts of those statements posted on the website of the Special Committee;²⁴

(c) Calls upon the Special Committee to include a summary of the subtopics of the annual debate in its annual report for further consideration;

7. *Invites* the Special Committee, at its session in 2021, 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;

9. *Requests* the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

10. *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, notes 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;

²³ Resolution [37/10](#), annex.

²⁴ <https://legal.un.org/committees/charter/>.

12. *Encourages* Member States to identify academic institutions that have the capacity to contribute to the preparation of studies for the *Repertory* and to provide the contact details of such institutions, and in this regard welcomes the initiative of the Secretariat also to invite members of the International Law Commission to recommend academic institutions that the Secretariat could contact for this purpose;

14. *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;

[\(LA/COD/46,](#)
of 19 January 2021; and
[LA/COD/46/1,](#)
of 19 January 2021)

15. *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, and encourages the continued updating of the website for the *Repertory*;²⁵

16. *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;

17. *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 dated 18 September 1952;²⁶

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session a report on both the *Repertory* and the *Repertoire*;

19. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session a report on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions;

The rule of law at the national and international levels (agenda item 86)

Res. [75/141](#), 15 Dec.
2020

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

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,²⁷ takes note of the report of the Secretary-General submitted pursuant to paragraph 41 of the declaration,²⁸ and requests the Sixth Committee to continue its consideration of ways

²⁵ <https://legal.un.org/repertory/>.

²⁶ [A/2170](#).

²⁷ Resolution [67/1](#).

²⁸ [A/68/213/Add.1](#).

and means of further developing the linkages between 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 all States to consider making pledges, individually or jointly, based on their national priorities, and also encourages those States that have made pledges to continue to exchange information, knowledge and best practices in this regard;

Ongoing request
(EOSG/ROL/2014/1, of 10
September 2014)

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

7. *Further reaffirms* its commitment to working tirelessly for the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,²⁹ and recalls that the goals and targets are integrated and indivisible and balance the three dimensions of sustainable development;

8. *Recognizes* the role of multilateral and bilateral treaties and treaty processes in advancing the rule of law, and encourages States to further consider the promotion of treaties in areas where international cooperation could benefit from treaties;

9. *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;

10. *Recognizes* the importance of the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law to the furtherance of United Nations rule of law programmes and activities, emphasizes that further technical assistance and capacity-building initiatives, focused on increasing and improving the participation of Member States in the multilateral treaty process, should be examined, and invites States to support these activities;

11. *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 in order to develop, reinforce and maintain domestic institutions active in the promotion of rule of law at the national and international levels, subject to national ownership, strategies and priorities;

12. *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;

13. *Calls*, in this context, for dialogue to be enhanced among all stakeholders, with a view to placing national perspectives at the

²⁹ Resolution [70/1](#).

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;

14. *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;

16. *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, addressing, in a balanced manner, the national and international dimensions of the rule of law;

18. *Recalls* the commitment of 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 and expertise in strengthening the rule of law through access to justice, including with regard to the provision of birth registration for all, appropriate registration and documentation of refugees, migrants, asylum seekers and stateless persons, and legal aid, where appropriate, in both criminal and civil proceedings, and in this regard recognizes the role of knowledge and technology, including in judicial systems, and stresses the need to intensify the assistance extended to Governments upon their request;

19. *Stresses* the importance of promoting the sharing of national practices and of inclusive dialogue, welcomes the proposals made by the Secretary-General, inviting Member States to voluntarily exchange national best practices on the rule of law in informal meetings and on an electronic depository of best practices on the United Nations rule of law website, and invites Member States to do so;

Ongoing request
(EOSG/ROL/NV/2015/1, of
4 March 2015)

20. *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;

21. *Invites* the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group and the Rule of Law Unit to continue their dialogue with all Member States by interacting with them in a regular, transparent and inclusive manner, in particular in informal briefings;

23. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-sixth session the item entitled "The rule of law at the national and international levels";

24. *Invites* Member States and the Secretary-General to suggest possible subtopics for future Sixth Committee debates, for inclusion

in the forthcoming annual report, with a view to assisting the Sixth Committee in choosing future subtopics.

The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction (agenda item 87)

Res. [75/142](#), 15 Dec. 2020

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

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 seventy-seventh session, 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 to the General Assembly, as appropriate, to submit, before 30 April 2021, information and observations on the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, including, where appropriate, information on the relevant applicable international treaties and on their national legal rules and judicial practice, and requests the Secretary-General to prepare and submit to the Assembly at its seventy-sixth session a report based on such information and observations;

30 April 2021

([LA/COD/59/1](#), of 18 December 2020; and [LA/COD/59/2](#), of 18 December 2020)

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;

Responsibility of international organizations (agenda item 88)

Res. [75/143](#), 15 Dec. 2020

[Sixth Committee website and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to update the 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 also requests the Secretary-General to submit this material well in advance of its seventy-eighth session;

1 February 2023

([LA/COD/43](#), of 16 December 2020; and [LA/COD/43](#), of 16 December 2020)

Protection of persons in the event of disasters (agenda item 89)

Dec. 75/526, 15 Dec. 2020

[Sixth Committee website and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

(see [A/75/435](#), para. 7)

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, decides to defer the consideration of the agenda item to the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly.

Strengthening and promoting the international treaty framework (agenda item 90)

Res. [75/144](#), 15 Dec.
2020

[Sixth Committee website and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Recalls* Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations, reaffirms the importance of the registration and publication of treaties, as well as their accessibility, and stresses that the regulations to give effect to Article 102 should be useful and relevant to Member States and should be kept updated to assist States in implementing their obligations thereunder;
2. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General entitled “Review of the regulations to give effect to Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations”,³⁰ submitted pursuant to its resolution [73/210](#), and of the recommendations contained therein for consideration by the General Assembly;
3. *Notes* that some Member States continue to consider that there remain outstanding issues where the regulations may need further consideration or possible updating;
4. *Reaffirms its support* for the annual treaty event organized by the Secretary-General;
5. *Welcomes* the organization of workshops on treaty law and practice by the Treaty Section at Headquarters and at the national and regional levels as an important capacity-building initiative, encourages the Treaty Section to continue to organize these workshops as regularly as possible, including through the use of information and communications technology when necessary owing to extraordinary circumstances, and invites States and interested international organizations and institutions to continue to support this activity;
7. *Further welcomes* the efforts made to develop and enhance the United Nations electronic treaty database, which provides online access to comprehensive information on the depositary functions of the Secretary-General and the registration and publication of treaties under Article 102 of the Charter, and encourages the continuation of such efforts in the future, while bearing in mind the challenges that many developing countries face in accessing information and communications technology;
8. *Notes* that most submissions of treaties for registration are in electronic format, and encourages the Secretary-General to develop, in consultation with and on the basis of feedback from Member States and within existing resources, an online treaty registration system to facilitate submissions of treaties for registration, as an additional option to the existing ways of submission in electronic or hard-copy format
9. *Recognizes* the importance of the legal publications prepared by the Treaty Section, and stresses the need to update the *Summary of Practice of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Treaties* in the light of new developments and practices;

³⁰ [A/75/136](#).

10. *Acknowledges* the efforts of the depositaries in the registration of treaties under Article 102 of the Charter, and encourages the continuation of such efforts in the future;

11. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to ensure the expedited publication of the United Nations *Treaty Series*, in accordance with the regulations, through the prompt provision of editorial and translation services, to enable effective dissemination of and access to treaties;

12. *Decides* to defer consideration of proposals on the regulations to the seventy-sixth session, taking into account the limitations on meetings within the United Nations premises as precautionary measures aimed at containing the spread of COVID-19;

13. *Takes note* of the proposals made by Member States on the regulations, encourages Member States to submit to the Secretariat any additional proposals before 30 June 2021, and requests the Secretariat to transmit all the proposals it has received to Member States;

30 June 2021

([LA/COD/70](#),
of 25 February 2021)

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (agenda item 114)

Res. [75/145](#), 15 Dec.
2020

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

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, as well as the resolutions relating to the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth biennial reviews of the Strategy,³¹ 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 seventh biennial review, in 2021, 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;

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

³¹ Resolutions [62/272](#), [64/297](#), [66/282](#), [68/276](#), [70/291](#) and [72/284](#).

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;

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,³² the Amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material,³³ the Protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful

³² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2445, No. 44004.

³³ 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).

Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation³⁴ 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,³⁵ 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,³⁶ the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism,³⁷ 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;

17. *Notes with appreciation and satisfaction* that, consistent with the call contained in paragraphs 14 and 15 of General Assembly resolution [74/194](#) of 18 December 2019, a number of States became parties to the relevant conventions and protocols referred to therein, thereby realizing the objective of wider acceptance and implementation of those conventions;

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;

³⁴ Adopted on 14 October 2005 by the Diplomatic Conference on the Revision of the SUA Treaties (International Maritime Organization, document LEG/CONF.15/21).

³⁵ Adopted on 14 October 2005 by the Diplomatic Conference on the Revision of the SUA Treaties (International Maritime Organization, document LEG/CONF.15/22).

³⁶ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2149, No. 37517.

³⁷ *Ibid.*, vol. 2178, No. 38349.

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 Office of Counter-Terrorism 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 Office;

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 upon request;

24. *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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of 17 December 2020)

25. *Decides* to recommend that the Sixth Committee, at the seventy-sixth 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;

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

Administration of justice at the United Nations (agenda item 152)³⁸

Res. [75/248](#), 31 Dec.
2020

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Deadlines (Note Verbale)

7. *Notes with appreciation* the publication of the Digest of Case Law of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal and the United Nations Appeals Tribunal for the period 2009–2019, which provides improved access to the jurisprudence of the Tribunals, and requests the Secretary-General to present information relating to the

³⁸ By its resolution [74/258](#), the General Assembly invited the Sixth Committee to consider the legal aspects of the report to be submitted by the Secretary-General, without prejudice to the role of the Fifth Committee as the Main Committee entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters. On that basis, the Assembly decided to allocate this item to the Fifth Committee and the Sixth Committee.

establishment of a searchable database of Dispute Tribunal and Appeals Tribunal decisions in his next report;

8. *Welcomes* the ongoing outreach efforts, and urges the Secretary-General to continue to implement the outreach strategy, with a view to continuing to raise awareness of the role and functioning of the various parts of the system and the possibilities that it offers to address work-related complaints, paying particular attention to field missions and offices;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to ensure a strong culture of accountability throughout the Secretariat, in particular with proactive and transparent application of the United Nations three-pillared approach to the management of misconduct, namely, prevention, enforcement and remedial action, and to ensure access to effective remedies for all categories of personnel;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to continue to hold managers accountable when their decisions have been established to be grossly negligent according to the applicable Staff Regulations and Rules of the United Nations³⁹ and have led to litigation and subsequent financial loss, and to undertake an analysis of the issue of publishing the results of action taken in response to the referrals for accountability by the Tribunals, such as in the compendium of disciplinary measures, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

11. *Underscores* the inherent and explicit authority of the Dispute and Appeals Tribunals to issue protective orders, consistent with their statutes, rules of procedure and code of conduct, in order to protect complainants and witnesses against retaliation, stresses the importance of fully implementing such orders, and requests the Secretary-General to report on the application thereof;

12. *Encourages* the Secretary-General, in his capacity as the Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to promote protection against retaliation across the system;

13. *Reiterates* that retaliation against complainants or staff appearing as witnesses constitutes misconduct, notes with appreciation the policy on protection against retaliation for reporting misconduct and for cooperating with duly authorized audits or investigations⁴⁰ as well as the efforts to continuously improve the framework for protection from retaliation, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to provide information on the implementation of the policy for all categories of personnel covered in his next report;

16. *Also reaffirms* the importance of the informal dispute resolution process in the Organization, which represents an effective method of dispute resolution as compared with the formal process, and urges the Secretary-General to reinforce his efforts to address the underservice of staff in the field and to provide an update on the action taken in the context of his next report;

17. *Welcomes* the continued analysis of the root causes of work-related conflict included in the report of the Secretary-General on the

³⁹ [ST/SGB/2018/1](#).

⁴⁰ [ST/SGB/2017/2/Rev.1](#).

activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, stresses the importance of improving management performance and staff communication, urges the Secretary-General to continue to address the direct feedback and systemic issues identified in the report in order to mitigate and prevent work-related conflicts, including through the improvement of the policies and procedures of the Organization, and requests the Secretary-General to provide information on progress resulting from the action taken in the context of his next report;

18. *Also welcomes* the continued efforts of the Secretary-General to improve the prevention and resolution of disputes involving non-staff personnel, based on his five initiatives, and his efforts to further explore more cost-effective means to resolve disputes, and requests the Secretary-General to report on progress, including the financial and administrative impact, to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

19. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue the pilot project whereby non-staff personnel are offered access to services provided by the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services within its existing resources, and requests the Secretary-General to report thereon in his next report;

21. *Notes* that the availability of United Nations documents in relevant official languages is limited in some areas of Secretariat activity, and therefore invites the Secretary-General to take the appropriate measures to implement, within existing resources, current multilingualism policies, in compliance with relevant rules and regulations, and requests the Secretary-General to provide, in the context of his next report, information on measures taken to ensure the availability of outreach documents in all official languages;

22. *Also notes* the efforts of the Secretary-General to promote knowledge and awareness of and action on racism within the Organization, and requests the Secretary-General to include information on racism and cases involving racial discrimination in the context of his next report on the activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services;

23. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to provide information on trends and cases of discrimination within the Organization in the context of his next report on the activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services;

24. *Notes* the absence of a mental health component within the legal framework to process cases of harassment, discrimination and abuse of authority, and requests the Secretary-General to provide options to address such absence, to reinforce his efforts to achieve a harmonious working environment free from discrimination, harassment and abuse of authority in all forms and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

25. *Notes with concern* the recent pattern of upward harassment of female managers, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to take action to address the issue, including through providing tools and mandatory training on the value of civility in the workplace, and to report thereon in his next report;

26. *Welcomes* the progress made in reducing the number of pending and ageing cases before the Dispute Tribunal, including through the efficient use of half-time judges, stresses the importance of the continued implementation of all measures introduced by the General Assembly in its resolutions [73/276](#) and [74/258](#), and requests the Secretary-General to continue to report on the measures taken to further address the backlog of cases, with priority given to cases that are pending for more than 400 days;

27. *Recalls* paragraph 24 of its resolution [73/276](#), appreciates the efforts of the Dispute Tribunal and the Office of Administration of Justice to develop and implement the case disposal plan, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the real-time case-tracking dashboard is made publicly available;

28. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to track the data on the number of cases received by the Management Evaluation Unit and the Dispute Tribunal in order to identify any emerging trends, including on the increased number of non-receivable cases, and to include his observations on those statistics in future reports;

29. *Encourages* the Dispute Tribunal to continue to make full use of telecommuting in the deployment of half-time judges so as to promote efficiencies, and decides that the practice of publishing the schedule and cause list for each half-time judge on the website of the internal justice system shall be extended to the full-time judges;

30. *Commends* the Secretary-General for the creation of the toolkits for self-represented applicants, encourages the Secretary-General to continue to provide assistance to self-represented applicants and enhance their understanding and ability to utilize the system and mitigate efficiency concerns, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to continue to monitor the issue of self-representation and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

34. *Stresses* that the Internal Justice Council can help to ensure independence, professionalism and accountability in the system of administration of justice, and requests the Secretary-General to entrust the Council with including the views of both the Dispute Tribunal and the Appeals Tribunal in its reports;

35. *Welcomes* further views of the Internal Justice Council in its next report to the General Assembly on possible ways to improve judicial and operational efficiency;

37. *Recalls* paragraph 35 of its resolution [74/258](#), and requests the Secretary-General to provide further analysis of and clarification on the proposed amendments to articles 2 and 7 of the statute of the Appeals Tribunal on pension matters⁴¹ in the context of his next report;

38. *Decides* to consider at its seventy-sixth session the proposed amendments to the rules of procedure of the Appeals Tribunal and the Dispute Tribunal, as set out in annexes I and II to the report of the Secretary-General on administration of justice at the United Nations;

⁴¹ [A/75/162](#), annex IV.

39. *Invites* the Sixth Committee to consider the legal aspects of the report to be submitted by the Secretary-General, without prejudice to the role of the Fifth Committee as the Main Committee entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters.

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (agenda item 171)

Res. [75/146](#), 15 Dec.
2020

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Deadlines (Note Verbale)

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 cannot be subject to any restrictions arising from the bilateral relations of the host country, are in the interest of the United Nations and all Member States, takes seriously the increasing number of concerns raised by permanent missions regarding the normal performance of their functions, notes that the Committee expresses its readiness to effectively address them and expects that all issues raised at its meetings that remain unresolved will be duly settled expeditiously, in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law, 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 the 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. *Recalls* the privileges and immunities applicable to the premises of the permanent missions to the United Nations enjoyed under international law, in particular the instruments listed in paragraph 194 (a) of the report of the Committee, and the obligations of the host country to observe such privileges and immunities, takes note of the alleged ongoing violations thereof by the host country and of the repeated concerns expressed thereon, urges the host country to remove without delay any restrictions applied to the premises of a Permanent Mission inconsistent with those privileges and immunities, and in that regard to ensure respect for such privileges and immunities, expresses concern regarding the lack of resolution of these matters, remains seized of these matters, and anticipates that they shall be duly addressed in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law;

5. *Notes* the problems experienced by some permanent missions to the United Nations in connection with the implementation of the Parking Programme for Diplomatic Vehicles,⁴² 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;

⁴² [A/AC.154/355](#), annex.

6. *Strongly urges* the host country to remove all remaining travel restrictions imposed by it on staff of certain missions and staff members of the Secretariat of certain nationalities, and in this regard is concerned about the more stringent travel restrictions that continue to affect the permanent and visiting representatives of two Missions, including the non-lifting of the requirement for staff of one mission to relocate, while noting the steps taken by the host country to temporarily defer the relocation of affected staff due to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, and the statements of affected delegations that travel restrictions impede their ability to carry out their functions, restrict their access to services and their choice of residence and negatively impact their families, and notes the long-standing positions of affected States, of the Secretary-General as set out in the statement of the Legal Counsel, in document [A/AC.154/415](#), according to which, inter alia, “there is no room for the application of measures based on reciprocity in the treatment accorded to permanent missions accredited to the United Nations in New York”, and of the host country;

7. *Recalls* article IV of the Headquarters Agreement, notes the concerns expressed by some delegations concerning the denial and delay of entry visas to representatives of Member States, and further notes that the Committee remains seized of an increasing number of entry visa-related issues raised at its meetings, and stresses that these issues should be duly resolved in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law, including the Headquarters Agreement;

8. *Expresses serious concern* regarding the non-issuance of entry visas to certain representatives of certain Member States, in particular to delegates participating in the work of the Main Committees at the seventy-fourth session of the United Nations General Assembly, and regarding the denial of a visa to a Foreign Minister of a Member State, emphasizes the importance of the full participation of all delegations in the work of the United Nations, and takes note of the statements of the Legal Counsel at the 297th and 298th meetings of the Committee, reiterating his statement at the emergency, 295th, meeting of the Committee, set out in document [A/AC.154/415](#), where he confirmed that the legal position regarding the host country’s obligations with respect to the issuance of visas to persons covered by the Headquarters Agreement remains unchanged from that which was provided by the then Legal Counsel to the Committee in 1988, set out in document [A/C.6/43/7](#), according to which, inter alia, “the Headquarters Agreement makes it clear that there is an unrestricted right of persons mentioned in section 11 to enter the United States for the purpose of proceeding to the Headquarters district”;

9. *Expects* the prompt issuance by the host country of entry visas to all representatives of Member States and members of the Secretariat pursuant to article IV, section 11, of the Headquarters Agreement, in a timely manner, to enable persons assigned as members of permanent missions or recruited to serve in the Secretariat to take up their assignments as promptly as possible and to enable representatives of Member States to travel to New York on United Nations business, and notes 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;

10. *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, and also notes that the Committee calls upon the host country to review its differing processes of granting visas to the personnel of certain missions, with particular attention to single-entry visas, with a view to ensuring that delegations are able to participate fully in the work of the United Nations;

11. *Notes with concern* the difficulties experienced by some permanent missions to the United Nations in obtaining suitable banking services, and welcomes the continued efforts of the host country to facilitate the opening of bank accounts for those permanent missions;

12. *Stresses* the need for the permanent missions and the United Nations to benefit from appropriate banking services, anticipates that the host country will continue to assist the permanent missions accredited to the United Nations and their staff in obtaining such services, and notes the assurances given by the representative of the host country at the online informal meetings of the Committee on 13 August and 17 September 2020 that impediments to the banking operations of one mission have been lifted, and stresses the importance of effectively enabling the affected mission to expeditiously transfer funds to its bank account;

13. *Expresses its appreciation* for the efforts made by the United States Mission to the United Nations, including to respond to requests from the diplomatic community in the challenging circumstances over recent months caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, and expects that the issues raised at the meetings of the Committee will be resolved in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law, including the Headquarters Agreement;

14. *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;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to remain actively engaged in all aspects of the relations of the United Nations with the host country at various levels in order to resolve the issues raised in the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, and to more actively engage in the work of the Committee with a view to ensuring the representation of the interests concerned, in accordance with General Assembly resolution [2819 \(XXVI\)](#), and in this regard takes note of the statements of the Legal Counsel at the emergency, 295th,

meeting of the Committee, as set out in document [A/AC.154/415](#), and also at its online informal meeting on 17 September 2020, recalls that serious consideration should be given to taking steps under section 21 of the Headquarters Agreement if the issues raised in the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country were not resolved in a reasonable and finite period of time, and recommends to the Secretary-General to now consider and take any appropriate steps under section 21 of the Headquarters Agreement;

16. *Requests* the Committee to continue its work in conformity with General Assembly resolution [2819 \(XXVI\)](#) and, in this framework, to continue to consider additional appropriate measures to enhance the work of the Committee and its effectiveness and to make recommendations in its report to the Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

2. Extracts from General Assembly resolutions adopted at prior sessions

Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts (74th session, 2019, agenda item 75)

Res. [74/180](#), 18 Dec. 2019

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Continues to acknowledge* the importance and usefulness of the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts,⁴³ and commends them once again 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 further written comments on any future action regarding the articles;

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([LA/COD/26](#),
of 14 January 2020)

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to update the technical report listing, in a tabular format, the references to the articles contained in the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles prepared since 2001, as well as references to the articles made in submissions presented by Member States before international courts, tribunals and other bodies since 2001, and further requests the Secretary-General to submit such material during its seventy-seventh session;

6. *Acknowledges* the possibility of requesting, at its seventy-seventh session, the Secretary-General to provide the General Assembly with information on all procedural options regarding possible action on the basis of the articles, without prejudice to the question of whether such possible action is appropriate;

7. *Requests* 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 also requests the Secretary-General to submit such material well in advance of its seventy-seventh session;

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([LA/COD/26](#),
of 14 January 2020)

8. *Acknowledges* the constructive dialogue in the context of the working group of the Sixth Committee during the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly, and encourages all Member States to continue the substantive dialogue on an informal basis during the period prior to the seventy-seventh session of the Assembly;

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session 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

⁴³ Resolution [56/83](#), annex.

responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts or other appropriate action on the basis of the articles.

Diplomatic protection (74th session, 2019, agenda item 80)

Res. [74/188](#), 18 Dec.
2019

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Commends once again* the articles on diplomatic protection⁴⁴ 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;

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([LA/COD/38](#),
of 9 January 2020)

2. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session the item entitled “Diplomatic protection”, and invites Governments to focus their statements, in the light of the written comments submitted to the Secretary-General, as well as the views expressed in the debates held at the sixty-second, sixty-fifth, sixty-eighth, seventy-first and seventy-fourth sessions of the General Assembly, on the question of a convention on diplomatic protection, or any other appropriate action, on the basis of the above-mentioned articles, and also on identifying any difference of opinion on the articles.

Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm (74th session, 2019, agenda item 81)

Res. [74/189](#), 18 Dec.
2019

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Commends once again* the articles on prevention of transboundary harm 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;

([LA/COD/18](#),
of 8 January 2020)

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](#),
of 8 January 2020)

⁴⁴ Resolution [62/67](#), annex.

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session 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 (74th session, 2019, agenda item 85)

Res. [74/193](#), 18 Dec. 2019

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Commends* to the attention of Governments the draft articles on the law of transboundary aquifers annexed to its resolution [68/118](#) as guidance for bilateral or regional agreements and arrangements for the proper management of transboundary aquifers;

2. *Encourages* the International Hydrological Programme of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to continue its contribution by providing further scientific and technical assistance upon the consent of the recipient State and within its mandate;

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session the item entitled “The law of transboundary aquifers”.

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (50th session, 1995, agenda item 146)

Res. [50/53](#), 11 Dec. 1995

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;⁴⁵

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([LA/COD/11/1](#),
of 17 December 2020;
[LA/COD/11/2](#),
of 17 December 2020; and
[LA/COD/11/3](#),
of 17 December 2020)

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (49th session, 1994, agenda item 142)

Res. [49/60](#), annex, 9 Dec. 1994

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

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:

- (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

1 June 2021
([LA/COD/11/1](#),
of 17 December 2020;
[LA/COD/11/2](#),
of 17 December 2020; and
[LA/COD/11/3](#),
of 17 December 2020)

⁴⁵ See [A/C.6/50/SR.6](#), [7](#), [8](#), [9](#), [10](#) and [46](#).

terrorism and criminal prosecutions and sentencing,
based on information received from the depositaries of
those agreements and from Member States;

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United Nations Juridical Yearbook (17th session, 1962, agenda item 73)

Res. [1814\(XVII\)](#), 18 Dec.
1962
Res. [3006\(XXVII\)](#), 18 Dec.
1972

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

[Resolution [1814\(XVII\)](#) requests the Secretary-General to
undertake the publication of the United Nations Juridical Yearbook
and Resolution [3006\(XXVII\)](#) contains the outline thereof]

1 June 2021

([LA/COD/10](#),
of 7 January 2021)

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 2 March 2021

<i>Deadline (Note Verbale No.)</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>G.A. Res.</i>	<i>Request</i>
[Ongoing request] (EOSG/ROL/2014/1, of 10 September 2014)	The rule of law at the national and international levels	75/141 of 15 December 2020	Member States that have made pledges under para. 2 of GA Resolution 75/141 are invited to voluntarily report on the implementation of their pledges. Responses are accepted on an ongoing basis.
[Ongoing request] (EOSG/ROL/NV/2015/1, of 4 March 2015)	The rule of law at the national and international levels	75/141 of 15 December 2020	Governments are invited to submit best national practices via the form attached to the Note Verbale, to be published in the electronic repository of best national practices on the United Nations website (https://www.un.org/ruleoflaw/national-practices/) and to express their willingness to present and discuss their best national practices in an open meeting. Responses are accepted on an ongoing basis.
[Ongoing request] (LA/COD/50/3 , of 21 January 2019)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	75/132 of 15 December 2020	All States are encouraged to provide to the Secretary-General a point of contact in order to strengthen and enable efficient communication and cooperation between the United Nations and Member States.
31 December 2020	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-second session	75/135 of 15 December 2020	Governments are invited to submit their views of the topic on Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction, in particular specific issues identified in chapter III of Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-first session.
31 December 2020	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-second session	75/135 of 15 December 2020	Governments are invited to submit their views of the topic on Succession of States in respect of State responsibility, in particular specific issues identified in chapter III of Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-first session.
31 December 2020	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-second session	75/135 of 15 December 2020	Governments are invited to submit their views of the topic on General principles of law, in particular specific issues identified in chapter III of Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-first session.
31 December 2020	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-second session	75/135 of 15 December 2020	Governments are invited to submit their views of the topic on Sea-level rise in relation to international law, in particular specific issues identified in chapter III of Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-first session.
30 April 2021 (LA/COD/59/1 , of 18 December 2020)	The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction	75/142 of 15 December 2020	Member States are invited to submit 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, to be considered at the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly (2021).
30 April 2021 (LA/COD/59/2 , of 18 December 2020)	The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction	75/142 of 15 December 2020	Observers are invited to submit 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, to be considered at the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly (2021).
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/50/1 , of 18 December 2020)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	75/132 of 15 December 2020	Member States are invited to submit further comments on the report of the Group of Legal Experts, including on the question of future action.
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/50/1 , of 18 December 2020)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	75/132 of 15 December 2020	States against whose nationals (United Nations officials or experts on mission) credible allegations that reveal that a crime may have been committed are made are urged to provide periodic updates on their handling of the allegations, in particular by informing the Secretary-General of whether any disciplinary or criminal proceedings have been brought and of the outcome of any such proceedings or the reasons for not initiating them, provided that this would not be contrary to national laws or prejudice national investigations or national proceedings.
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/50/1 , of 18 December 2020)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	75/132 of 15 December 2020	States that have notified the United Nations with respect to investigations or prosecutions of crimes allegedly committed by United Nations officials or experts on mission are urged to provide periodic updates on their handling of the allegations, in particular by informing the Secretary-General of whether any disciplinary or criminal proceedings have been brought and of the outcome of any such proceedings or the reasons for not initiating them, provided that this would not be contrary to national laws or prejudice national investigations or national proceedings.
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/50/1 , of 18 December 2020)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	75/132 of 15 December 2020	Governments are urged to provide specific details on the measures taken for the implementation of resolutions 62/63 , 63/119 , 64/110 , 65/20 , 66/93 , 67/88 , 68/105 , 69/114 , 70/114 , 71/134 , 72/112 , 73/196 and 74/181 , 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.
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/50/1 , of 18 December 2020)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	75/132 of 15 December 2020	Governments are requested to provide specific details on the measures taken, as necessary, for the implementation of resolutions 62/63 , 63/119 , 64/110 , 65/20 , 66/93 , 67/88 , 68/105 , 69/114 , 71/134 and 73/196 .
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/11/1 , of 17 December 2020)	Measures to eliminate international terrorism	49/60 of 9 December 1994 and 50/53 of 11 December 1995	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 seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly (2021).
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/11/2 , of 17 December 2020)	Measures to eliminate international terrorism	49/60 of 9 December 1994 and 50/53 of 11 December 1995	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 seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly (2021).
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/11/3 , of 17 December 2020)	Measures to eliminate international terrorism	49/60 of 9 December 1994, 50/53 of 11 December 1995, and 75/145 of 15 December 2020	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.
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/10 , of 7 January 2021)	United Nations Juridical Yearbook	1814(XVII) of 18 December 1962 and 3006(XXVII) of 18 December 1972	Governments are requested to provide the text of any domestic laws or regulations enacted in 2020 relating to the legal activities of the United Nations, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency, the World Trade Organization, the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, the International Organization for Migration or the International Criminal Court, as well as the text or a brief description of any decisions made in 2020 by the tribunals of the countries of the Permanent Missions on questions relating to the United Nations, the specialized agencies, or the other related organizations.
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/10 , of 7 January 2021)	United Nations Juridical Yearbook	1814(XVII) of 18 December 1962 and 3006(XXVII) of 18 December 1972	United Nations specialised agencies and other related organizations are invited to provide information of new developments in 2020, including a summary of their legal activities, new treaties concerning their legal status which came into force or were amended, new treaties concerning international law adopted under their auspices, legal opinions of their secretariats, and other relevant legal information
1 June 2021 (LA/COD/10 , of 7 January 2021)	United Nations Juridical Yearbook	1814(XVII) of 18 December 1962 and 3006(XXVII) of 18 December 1972	The United Nations Dispute Tribunal and Appeals Tribunal and the Administrative Tribunals of the International Labour Organization, the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund are requested to provide the texts of the most important decisions pronounced by them in 2020.
30 June 2021 (LA/COD/67 , of 22 September 2020)	Peremptory norms of general international law (<i>jus Cogens</i>)	ILC report (A/74/10), para. 54	
30 June 2021 (LA/COD/32 , of 24 September 2020)	Protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts	ILC report (A/74/10), para. 68	

30 June 2021 (LA/COD/70 , of 25 February 2021)	Strengthening and promoting the international treaty framework	73/210 of 20 December 2018	Member States are encouraged to submit to the Secretariat any additional proposals on the regulations to give effect to Article 102 before 30 June 2021.
1 February 2022 (LA/COD/26 , of 14 January 2020)	Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts	74/180 of 18 December 2019	Governments are requested to submit further written comments on any future action regarding the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts.
1 February 2022 (LA/COD/26 , of 14 January 2020)	Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts	74/180 of 18 December 2019	Governments are invited to submit information on their practice with respect to decisions of tribunals or other bodies referring to the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts.
18 May 2022 (LA/COD/4 , of 17 December 2020)	Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic missions and representatives	75/139 of 15 December 2020	All States are urged to report, 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 representations with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations.
18 May 2022 (LA/COD/4 , of 17 December 2020)	Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic missions and representatives	75/139 of 15 December 2020	The State in which the violation took place – and, to the extent possible, the State where the alleged offender is present – are urged to report, 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 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.
18 May 2022 (LA/COD/4 , of 17 December 2020)	Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic missions and representatives	75/139 of 15 December 2020	States are invited 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 intergovernmental organizations.
1 June 2022 (LA/COD/38 , of 9 January 2020)	Diplomatic protection	74/188 , of 18 December 2019	Governments are invited to submit in writing any further comments, including comments concerning the recommendation by the International Law Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of the articles.
1 June 2022 (LA/COD/2/1 , of 19 January 2020)	Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts	75/138 of 15 December 2020	States are invited to submit any information deemed relevant 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.
1 June 2022 (LA/COD/2/2 , of 19 January 2021)	Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts	75/138 of 15 December 2020	The International Committee of the Red Cross is invited to submit any information deemed relevant 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.

<p>(LA/COD/18, of 8 January 2020)</p>	<p>Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm</p>	<p>74/189 of 18 December 2019</p>	<p>Governments are invited 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, to be considered at the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly (2022).</p>
<p>1 February 2023 (LA/COD/43, of 16 December 2020; and LA/COD/43, of 16 December 2020)</p>	<p>Responsibility of international organizations</p>	<p>75/143 of 15 December 2020</p>	<p>Governments and international organizations 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-eighth session of the General Assembly (2023), and to be considered at the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly (2023).</p>

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.

Note on gender perspectives

Those making written submissions are also invited to take into consideration operative paragraph 28 of General Assembly resolution [74/128](#) of 18 December 2019, in which the General Assembly requested that reports of the Secretary-General submitted to the General Assembly and its subsidiary bodies continue to systematically address gender perspectives through gender-sensitive analysis and that the Secretary-General convey the importance of reflecting a gender perspective to all stakeholders who provide input to his reports.

Transmittal of submissions

Original hardcopy submissions may be:

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Electronic submissions may be emailed to 6thcommittee@un.org or transmitted by fax to +1 212-963-1963. Electronic submissions by email are only accepted in lieu of original hardcopy submissions if they are received in the form of scanned (PDF) versions of the original official communication and attached to the transmittal message. The Secretariat would also greatly appreciate receiving the Microsoft Word version of communications, where possible.

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