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Programme of meetings and agenda

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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

- 15:00 49th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall
- [webcast]
1. Question of Palestine [item 35]
 - (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People ([A/71/35](#))
 - (b) Report of the Secretary-General ([A/71/359](#))
 - (c) Note by the Secretary-General ([A/71/174](#))
 - (d) Draft resolutions ([A/71/L.18](#), [A/71/L.19](#), [A/71/L.20](#) and [A/71/L.21](#))
 2. The situation in the Middle East [item 34]
 - (a) Reports of the Secretary-General ([A/71/328](#), [A/71/328/Add.1](#) and [A/71/359](#))
 - (b) Draft resolutions ([A/71/L.8](#) and [A/71/L.22](#))

Security Council

- 11:00 Consultations of the whole (closed) Consultations Room
- Middle East (Syria) ([S/2016/928](#))
- Other matters
- 15:00 Consultations of the whole (closed) Consultations Room
- Sudan/South Sudan
- Other matters



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General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10:00 to 11:00	<p>Informal consultations (closed)</p> <p>Informal consultations on agenda item 143 (Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency: Budgetary and financial situation of the organizations of the United Nations system (A/71/583))</p>	Conference Room 5
11:00 to 12:00	<p>Informal consultations (closed)</p> <p>Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Third annual progress report on the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva (A/71/403*, A/71/403/Corr.1 and A/71/622))</p>	Conference Room 5
12:00 to 13:00	<p>Informal consultations (closed)</p> <p>Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Proposed United Nations Secretariat contribution to the United Nations Development Group cost-sharing arrangement for the resident coordinator system (A/70/703 and A/70/7/Add.48))</p>	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	<p>Informal consultations (closed)</p> <p>Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Report on the use of the commitment authority and request for a subvention to the Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone (A/71/386, A/71/386/Corr.1, A/71/386/Corr.2 and A/71/613) <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Capital master plan (A/71/309, A/71/5 (Vol. V), A/71/331 and A/71/541))</p> </p> </p>	Conference Room 5

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	<p>Closed meeting</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 2. Executive meeting 	Conference Room 10


Independent Audit Advisory Committee

Thirty-sixth session

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

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

10:00 to 13:00

380th meeting  [webcast]

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Special meeting in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 32/40 B of 2 December 1977

The speakers at the special meeting include the President of the General Assembly, the Deputy Secretary-General, the Vice-Chair of the Committee (Indonesia), the President of the Security Council (Senegal), the Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine, the Chair of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories, several intergovernmental organizations, and a representative of civil society.

All members and observers, as well as United Nations agencies and bodies, are invited to attend the special meeting. Messages of solidarity should be sent to the Division for Palestinian Rights of the United Nations Secretariat (DC2-2215B). An electronic copy may be sent by e-mail (valenzuela2@un.org). Messages will be published on the website of the Committee, please [click here](#).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Forty-second session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 29 November 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

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

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations” (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room 11

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “International Atomic Agency” (under the agenda item 88) (organized by the delegation of South Africa)

13:15 to 14:45

Conference Room E

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Follow-up to the Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of peace” (under agenda item 14) (convened by the delegation of Bangladesh)

16:30 to 18:00

Conference Room A

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution [A/C.2/71/L.29](#), entitled “International trade and development” (under agenda item 17 (a)) (convened by the delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran)

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution [A/C.2/71/L.33](#), entitled “External debt sustainability and Development” (under agenda item 17 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Saint Lucia)

13:00 to 15:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution [A/C.2/71/L.30](#), entitled “International Financial System and Development” (under agenda item 17 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Ethiopia)

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

14:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on humanitarian affairs and related matters)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (on Oceans and the Law of the Sea)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Seminar on “Measuring the impact of economic globalization” (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ireland)

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

For further information, contact Mr. Michael Sanfey, [Permanent Mission of Ireland](#) (e-mail michael.sanfey@dfa.ie; tel. 1 (212) 204-7140).

Event entitled “The International Conference on Sustainable Environment, Clean Energy and Safe Mobility: Multifaceted Dimension of EcoDrive in Promoting Sustainability” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Japan and the World Association of Former United Nations Interns and Fellows (WAFUNIF))

13:00 to 17:45

 [webcast]

Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact the [Permanent Mission of Japan](#) (Mr. Maury Guadalupe (e-mail maury.guadalupe@dn.mofa.go.jp)); or Ms. Misaki Nakamura (e-mail m-nakamura@asua.ne.jp).


Panel discussion on “Urban Humanitarian Crises: Providing quality, accessible health care to women, children and adolescents. Every Women Every Child Everywhere Panel Series” (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Norway and the United Arab Emirates, in collaboration with Every Women Every Child)

15:00 to 17:00

Conference Room 12

For further information, contact Ms. Silje Eggestad, [Permanent Mission of Norway](#) (e-mail silje.eggestad@mfa.no; tel. 1 (646) 430-7570).

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237)  [webcast]

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

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Thursday, 1 December 2016

15:00 to 16:30

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal briefing by the Secretary-General on the United Nations' New Approach to Cholera in Haiti

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated [23 November 2016](#), was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. There will be no pre-established list of speakers. Delegations are encouraged to limit their interventions to *three minutes*.]

Main Committees**Second Committee**

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

The Second Committee will reconvene, in order to take action on available draft resolutions under its agenda items.

Further information on the work of the Second Committee, as well as related documentation and side events, are available on the website of the Committee ([click here](#)).

For inclusion in the *list of participants* for the session, delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Second Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form [A/INF/71/2](#) will be accepted by e-mail.

PaperSmart services will be available to the Second Committee at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal ([click here](#)) only after delivery by delegations.

To renew access to the Second Committee QuickPlace and be included in the mailing list of the Committee for the seventy-first session, Member States are invited to send an e-mail to 2ndcommittee@un.org from an official Mission e-mail address. A registration form will be provided for delegations to fill out and submit by return e-mail.

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters *should be sent* as soon as possible but *no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org).

Fifth Committee

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

10:00	15th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning (following the adjournment of the 15th meeting)	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefing

Friday, 2 December 2016

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide an informal briefing (closed), to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations:

Best practices and training

**Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of
Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works
Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**

Monday, 5 December 2016

11:00

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to notify the Secretary, *in writing* (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org).

Open-ended Working Group on Ageing

Seventh working session

Monday, 12 to Thursday, 15 December 2016

Conference Room 4

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the names of their representatives and alternates participating in the seventh working session to the Secretary of the Open-ended Working Group, Ms. Lana Emelina-Sarte (e-mail emelina@un.org; copied to Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

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

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

Security Council

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

Wednesday, 30 November to Thursday, 1 December 2016

10:00

Conference Room 4

Technical sessions with the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) on “Preventing the Exploitation of Information and Communications Technologies for Terrorist purposes, while Respecting Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms”

Thursday, 1 December 2016

15:00

Conference Room 4

Special meeting on “Preventing the Exploitation of Information and Communications Technologies for Terrorist purposes, while Respecting Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms”.

The objective of the special meeting will be for the Committee, Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, civil society, and private-sector actors to discuss technological and law enforcement challenges and effective measures taken in this area within the framework of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001), 1624 (2005) and 2178 (2014) and to strengthen cooperation between Governments, the private sector and civil society, where appropriate, with a view to preventing and countering the relative ease with which terrorists utilize cyberspace for terrorist purposes.

Participants are requested to complete the online registration form by [clicking here](#).

Meeting documentation, including draft agendas, draft concept note and logistical information, are attached and may also be found on the Committee's website ([click here](#)).

All communications concerning the special meeting should be addressed to Ms. Anne-Maria Seesmaa, CTED Associate Expert (e-mail seesmaa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4915).

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Plenary meeting

Thursday, 8 December 2016

10:00

Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Czech Republic) will convene a plenary meeting of the Council, to hold elections to fill regular and outstanding vacancies in its subsidiary bodies.

Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org) and Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org), by 17:00, on Friday, 2 December 2016.

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups.

A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candiweb by [clicking here](#).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

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

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development” (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 12

16:30 to 18:00

Conference Room E

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Global health and foreign policy” (under agenda item 127) (convened by the delegation of South Africa)

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

11:00 to 13:00

Conference Room E

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations” (under agenda item 126 (r)) (convened by the delegation of the Lao People’s Democratic Republic)

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room 1

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution [A/C.2/71/L.37](#), entitled “Quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system” (under agenda item 24 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Switzerland)

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

13:15 to 18:00

Conference Room 12

Forthcoming other meetings

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Event entitled “Moving forward together: Leaving no one behind” (on the occasion of the World AIDS Day (1 December)) (organized by the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS))

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

11:00 to 12:00

Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ninan Varughese, [UNAIDS](#) (e-mail varughesen@unaids.org; tel. 1 (646) 666-8028); or please [click here](#).

Panel discussion on “Justice and gender equality to build peaceful scenarios for development: the Colombian case” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Colombia, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and the New York University)

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

13:30 to 15:00

Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Héctor González, [Permanent Mission of Colombia](#) (e-mail intern05.colombiaun@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 355-7776, ext. 235).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 30 November 2016

15:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room 11

Briefing on “HIV and AIDS: How can civil society revitalize the response?” (on the occasion of the [World AIDS Day](#)) (organized by the NGO Relations, NGO Relations and Advocacy, and Special Events Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 1 December 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Trusteeship Council Chamber

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

Event on “The Protection and Management of Transboundary Groundwater: Legal Issues and the Human Right to Water” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Palau, the Mining Working Group and the Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan Council of North and South America)

Thursday, 1 December 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 6

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

Briefing on the “Follow-up to the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants: Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR))

Thursday, 1 December 2016

15:00 to 16:30

Conference Room A

All are invited. For further information, please contact [UNHCR](#) (Mr. Davide Torzilli (e-mail torzilli@unhcr.org); or Ms. Kate Pochapsky (e-mail pochapsk@unhcr.org)).

Meeting of the Steering Committee of the 10X20 Initiative on Marine Protected Areas (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of the Bahamas, Italy, Kenya, Palau and Poland, and the Ocean Sanctuary Alliance)

Thursday, 1 December 2016

15:00 to 17:00

Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Valeria Biagiotti, [Permanent Mission of Italy](#) (e-mail valeria.biagiotti@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5313).

Special event on “The Untold Story of 850,000 Jewish Refugees from Arab Countries” (organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel)

Thursday, 1 December 2016

15:30

Conference Room 8

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michal Carmeli, [Permanent Mission of Israel](#) (e-mail unevents@newyork.mfa.gov.il; tel. 1 (212) 499-5377).

Event entitled “Soils and pulses, a symbiosis for life and for halting soil degradation” (in observance of the [World Soil Day \(5 December \(A/RES/68/232\)\)](#)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Lesotho, Thailand and Turkey, in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), and the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD))

Friday, 2 December 2016

09:30 to 12:00

Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Isabela Cunha, [FAO Liaison Office in New York](#) (e-mail cunhai@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3043); or [click here](#).

Briefing on “The History of Silence And the Future of the World’s Non-Silence Generations” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, the Swedish Institute and the Raoul Wallenberg Academy)

Friday, 2 December 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 7

For further information, please contact Ms. Rebecca Hedlund, [Permanent Mission of Sweden](#) (e-mail rebecca.hedlund@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2553).

Briefing on the “2017 Contingent-Owned Equipment Issue Papers – Memorandum of Understanding and Reimbursement Issues” (co-organized by the Department of Field Support (DFS) and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO))

Friday, 2 December 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact Mr. Javier Garcia-Montero, RPLS/FBFD (e-mail garcia-montero@un.org); or consult the Working Group website ([click here](#)).

Panel discussion on “Protecting Politics: Deterring the Influence of Organized Crime on Elections, Political Parties, Local Democracy and Service Delivery” (organized by the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA))

Monday, 5 December 2016

13:00 to 14:30

Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Kieran M. Lettrich, [International IDEA](#) (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).

Panel discussion on “Political Participation in Times of Mass Migration and Refugee Crises” (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Ireland and Mexico, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA))

Friday, 9 December 2016

08:45 to 18:00

Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Kieran M. Lettrich, [International IDEA](#) (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).

Briefing on the report “When No One calls it rape: Addressing sexual violence against men and boys in transitional contexts” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and the International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ))

Friday, 9 December 2016

13:15 to 14:45

Conference Room 7

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Simon Collard-Wexler, [Permanent Mission of Canada](#) (e-mail simon.collard-wexler@international.gc.ca).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Wednesday, 7 December 2016, at 10:00, in Room XIX, at the Palais des Nations.

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the months of *November 2016* and *December 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents (English, Spanish, French)

Security Council documentation

General Assembly documentation (English, French)

Finding Speeches

Voting Information

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

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

The African Institute of International Law is planning to conduct the second International Law Seminar for African Universities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) from 19 to 30 June 2017, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of the faculty members of academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region. The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116 ([A/RES/70/116](#)).

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

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

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

2017 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme Call for applications — Deadline for applications is *Friday, 16 December 2016*

Applications for the 2017 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 26 June to 4 August 2017, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 16 December 2016*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in English in 2017. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme website at www.un.org/law/ilfp or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Latin America and the Caribbean: Deadline for applications – *Wednesday, 30 November 2016*

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean will be held in Santiago, Chile, from 24 April to 19 May 2017. This course *is open* for candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. Applications for the 2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Latin America and the Caribbean are now being accepted.

The *deadline for applications is Wednesday, 30 November 2016*. The Regional Course will be conducted in English in 2017.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses ([click here](#)) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org).

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

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

Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website ([click here](#)).

Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council

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

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available. For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

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

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

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

Calendar of conferences and meetings

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

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 28 November 2016

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

 [archived video]

14th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva

The Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva introduced via video conference the third annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva ([A/71/403](#) and [A/71/403/Corr.1](#)).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee ([A/71/622](#)).

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement), the United States and Switzerland.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held on that day, Monday, 28 November, in the afternoon and would be coordinated by Mr. Madhuka Sanjaya Wickramarachchige (Sri Lanka).

United Nations pension system [item 142]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chair drew the attention of the Committee to the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board ([A/71/9](#)), as well as to the statement of the Chair of the Board.

The Representative of the Secretary-General for Investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and measures undertaken to increase the diversification of the Fund ([A/C.5/71/2](#)).

The Director of External Audit (United Republic of Tanzania) and Chair of the Audit Operations Committee, Board of Auditors, Mr. Salhina Mkumba, introduced the report of the Board of Auditors on the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and the financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 ([A/71/5/Add.16](#)).

The Deputy Chief Executive Officer, United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund introduced the report of the Secretary of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its

report for the year ended 31 December 2015 on the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund ([A/71/397](#)).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee ([A/71/621](#)).

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union (on behalf of the members of the European Union) and the United States.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this item.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would be held as reflected in the programme of work and would be coordinated by Ms. Melanie Hidalgo (Dominican Republic).

Human resources management [item 139]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution [A/C.5/71/L.5](#), which had been coordinated by the representative of Ireland, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage and the Chair requested the Rapporteur to report directly thereon to the General Assembly.

Before concluding the meeting, the Chair conveyed her condolences to the family, Government and people of Cuba for the passing of Fidel Alejandro Castro Ruz, former President of the Republic of Cuba.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

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

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods.
Geneva, 21 October 1982

Accession: Turkmenistan (27 November 2016)

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network. Bangkok,
18 November 2003

Accession: Turkmenistan (27 November 2016)

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network (with annexes).
Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Accession: Turkmenistan (27 November 2016)

Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013

Ratification: Republic of Korea (28 November 2016)

Intergovernmental Agreement on Dry Ports. Bangkok, 1 May 2013

Accession: Turkmenistan (27 November 2016)

General information

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Seventy-first session

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

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The consideration of agenda item 130, entitled “Investigations into the conditions and circumstances resulting in the tragic death of Dag Hammarskjöld and of the members of the party accompanying him”, originally scheduled for Wednesday, 23 November, at 10:00, *has been rescheduled* to Tuesday, 6 December 2016, in the morning, as the second item.

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