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#### **Chapter I**

#### **Organizational matters**

#### A. Membership

1. The General Assembly, in its resolution 43/222 B of 21 December 1988, decided to retain the Committee on Conferences as a permanent subsidiary organ. Pursuant to the provisions of that resolution, in 2005 the Committee was composed of the following Member States: Argentina, Austria, Bolivia, China, Congo, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Romania, Russian Federation, Senegal, Syrian Arab Republic, United States of America and Zambia.

#### B. Officers

2. At its organizational session for 2005, the Committee elected the following officers to serve in 2005:

#### Chairman:

Diego Simancas (Mexico)

#### Vice-Chairpersons:

Anthony Andanje (Kenya) Mhd. Najib Elji (Syrian Arab Republic) Laura Onisii (Romania)

#### Rapporteur:

Enno Drofenik (Austria)

3. At the same session, the Committee agreed in principle that the Chairman would undertake informal consultations with a view to determining the composition of the Committee's Bureau in 2006.

#### C. Organization of work

- 4. At its organizational session (463rd meeting), the Committee agreed to follow the guidelines adopted in 1994 and 1995 with regard to consideration of intersessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and to meet, as required, to review proposals affecting the schedule of conferences and meetings during sessions of the General Assembly.
- 5. The Committee convened its substantive session from 19 to 27 September 2005 (465th to 473rd meetings).
- 6. The Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management addressed the Committee at the opening of its organizational and substantive sessions. At the substantive session, he introduced the report of the Secretary-General on reform of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (A/60/112).

7. The report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/60/93) was introduced by the Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management.

#### D. Programme of work

- 8. At its organizational session for 2004, held on 25 April 2004, the Committee had requested the Secretariat to submit a draft agenda for 2005 to the Committee at its organizational session for 2005. At the 463rd meeting, on 23 March 2005, the Committee adopted the proposed agenda (A/AC.172/2005/1) and requested the Secretariat to submit a draft agenda for 2006 to the Committee at its organizational session for 2006.
- 9. The Committee could not reach consensus on recommendations, although lively discussions had taken place. Some delegations expressed regret over the lack of time, which prevented the Committee from agreeing on recommendations.

#### E. Participation of observers

10. The following States were represented as observers: Bahamas, El Salvador, Guatemala, Holy See, Lithuania, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Tunisia and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

#### **Chapter II**

#### Calendar of conferences and meetings

## A. Matters related to and intersessional departures from the approved calendar for 2005

- 11. The General Assembly, in its resolution 59/265 of 23 December 2004, approved the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 2005 as submitted by the Committee on Conferences and amended by subsequent decisions taken by the Assembly at its fifty-ninth session. The calendar was issued as document A/AC.172/2005/2.
- 12. At its 373rd meeting, on 26 August 1994, the Committee had decided that, in future, requests for intersessional departures submitted to the Committee should be reviewed by the Bureau, in consultation with the Secretariat, for subsequent action.
- 13. At its 379th meeting, on 23 March 1995, the Committee had agreed that proposed changes to the calendar that did not have programme budget implications could be dealt with by the Secretariat, in consultation with the Bureau of the Committee.
- 14. At its substantive session of 1995, the Committee had decided that requests for intersessional departures submitted to the Committee that involved a change of venue should be referred to the members for approval. Departures that involved other types of changes, as decided upon by the Committee at its substantive session of 1994, should be reviewed by the Bureau, in consultation with the Secretariat, for subsequent action.
- 15. Requests submitted in 2005 for changes of venue or additional sessions/meetings and the action taken by the Committee are set out below.

Organ	Request	Action taken
Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions	To hold up to 10 more meetings during the week of 18 to 22 July 2005 to address a number of administrative and management issues. Exact dates were arranged in consultation with conference services to enable the servicing of meetings within existing resources.	Request approved
Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters	To convene the forty-fifth session of the Board from 29 June to 1 July 2005 in Geneva rather than New York in order to give members the opportunity to confer with participants in the Conference on Disarmament. Since the Board also serves as the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research, the Geneva venue allows the Board members close contact with the staff of the Institute.	Request approved
Broad-based consultations on further steps to enhance international cooperation in preventing, combating and eradicating illicit brokering in small arms and light weapons	One day session in Geneva with participants in the Conference on Disarmament	Request approved

Organ	Request	Action taken
Commission on Population and Development	To hold one additional meeting to conclude its session and allow the timely adoption and submission of its report to the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council.	Request approved
Commission on the Status of Women	To convene one additional meeting in order to take action on remaining text in its report and thus conclude the work of its forty-ninth session, which, owing to time constraints, could not be accomplished on the scheduled final day of the session.	Request approved
Committee on Information	To convene one additional meeting in order to adopt its draft resolution, which, owing to time constraints, could not be accomplished within the scheduled time frame.	Request approved
Group of Governmental Experts in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security	To hold its second session from 28 March to 1 April 2005 in Geneva to afford experts an opportunity to consult directly with participants in the Conference on Disarmament on current disarmament issues.	Request approved
United Nations Board of Auditors	To change the dates for the session, initially scheduled from 27 to 29 July 2005, to 30 June and 1 July 2005 to allow more time for translation of in-session documents.	Request approved
General Assembly, Fifth Committee	One additional meeting to adopt the proposals of the second resumed session.	Request approved
General Assembly, Second Committee	One additional meeting on 31 March 2005 to complete its work and make recommendations to the General Assembly by 1 April 2005.	Request approved
General Assembly, Special Political and Decolonization Committee	One additional meeting to adopt its draft resolution.	Request approved

## **B.** Adoption of the draft biennial calendar of conferences and meetings for 2006-2007

#### Introduction and overview

16. At its 465th meeting, on 19 September, the Committee reviewed the draft biennial calendar of conferences and meetings for 2006-2007 (A/AC.172/2005/CRP.2), which was introduced by a representative of the Secretariat.

## Consideration of the draft biennial calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council for 2006-2007

17. At its 464th meeting, on 22 June, the Committee had considered the draft biennial calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council for 2006-2007 and had submitted its observations to the Council accordingly.

18. The Committee recommended that, pending confirmation by the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations of the possible shortening of its session, the draft calendar should indicate a four-week duration for it.

## C. Improved utilization of conference-servicing resources and facilities

1. Meeting statistics of United Nations organs and consultations with bodies concerning utilization of the conference services available to them

#### Introduction and overview

- 19. At its 465th meeting, on 19 September, the Committee reviewed the statistical data and analysis contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the planned and actual utilization of conference resources allocated to a core sample of bodies that met in New York, Geneva, Vienna and Nairobi in 2004 (A/60/93, paras. 3-15 and annex I). The representative of the Secretariat noted that over the past few years the overall utilization factor had steadily improved. There had also been an improvement in the number of sessions with utilization over the benchmark and an improvement in meeting ratios and planning accuracy. For 2004, the overall utilization factor for the four duty stations was 83 per cent, which was six percentage points higher than the factor for 2003. For New York, the rate had risen to 79 per cent from 70 per cent in 2003. The number of bodies underutilizing their resources had been reduced by five. The improvements were due to the closer involvement of meeting planners in the programming of sessions, as well as to the conscientious efforts by secretariats and bureaux to utilize allocated resources more efficiently. Meeting planners continued to examine the reasons for any utilization below the established benchmark of 80 per cent.
- The Committee also heard an oral report by the Chairman of the Committee on his consultations with bodies that had consistently utilized less than the applicable benchmark figure of their allocated resources for the previous three sessions. The Chairman noted that the proactive policy of meeting planners had yielded positive results and had notably improved the accuracy of planning fully serviced meetings. He welcomed in particular the willingness of the secretariats and bureaux of the bodies concerned to engage in serious discussion of their situation. Nine bodies had consistently utilized less than the benchmark figure of 80 per cent of allocated resources, leading to a significant loss of financial resources and to unutilized conference resources that might otherwise have been available for reassignment. The number of cancelled meetings with interpretation had declined as a result of measures implemented to streamline and better coordinate planning. However, late starts and early endings of meetings continued to reflect negatively on statistics. The sharing of best practices was presented as an effective way to improve the situation and to determine the specific utilization patterns of individual bodies. It was difficult to identify a uniform solution, however, since each body had its own individual programme of work and method of conducting business. The Chairman recommended that consultations with the bodies concerned be conducted on a more regular basis, and that they be informed of their meetings statistics on a weekly basis.

#### Discussion

- 21. With respect to the methodology used to calculate the utilization factor, delegations wished to know whether informal meetings and cancellations were included in the statistics. It was explained that informal meetings were factored in and that cancellations were not counted as wasted time if they were made before the programme of meetings was finalized. Even if a late cancellation occurred, it was not counted as wasted time as long as it was offset by the reassignment of the interpretation team to a related body. The Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets) made it possible to have up-to-the-minute statistics. As a result, consultations between meeting planners and users of conference facilities could be carried out more effectively on the basis of utilization statistics. It was agreed that efforts should be made to encourage users to make more efficient use of conference facilities, whether by requesting shorter blocks of time for their meetings or by convening informal meetings in smaller conference rooms to free up the main conference rooms and interpretation services for other users. The primary consideration for all users should be to ensure the best use of the Organization's resources on a system-wide basis.
- 22. A request was made that consultations with representatives of bodies that had used their allocated resources at a rate below the established benchmark during the past three sessions should be held with the Committee as a whole. However, the lack of time during the substantive session made it impossible to hold such consultations.
- 23. It was also pointed out that it had been the experience of some delegations that the non-utilization of those resources was due to the fact that the secretariats of those bodies relinquished some of their allotted time without consulting the bodies concerned.

## 2. Provision of interpretation services to meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States

#### Introduction and overview

24. At its 465th meeting, on 19 September, the Committee considered the statistical data and analysis contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the provision of conference services for meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States during the period from 1 May 2004 to 30 April 2005 (A/60/93, paras. 17-30 and annex II). There had been a dramatic 29 per cent increase in the number of meetings requested by regional and other major groupings and held without interpretation and a 21 per cent increase in the overall number of meetings requested by such groups. The percentage of meetings that were provided with interpretation during the reporting period 2004/05 had decreased, in relative terms, to 85 per cent from 90 per cent during the previous period. Moreover, in absolute terms, the total number of meetings with interpretation requested also decreased. While the introduction of eMeets as a tool for requesting conference facilities had brought about an improvement in the quality of services, the continuously high workload stemming from the sessions of calendar bodies left little capacity for accommodating additional meetings.

#### Discussion

25. Serious concern was expressed about the lack of capacity to provide for meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States during times of

peak activity. It was also suggested that the improvement in the overall utilization factor was something of a mixed blessing, as it effectively left fewer resources for reassignment to regional and other major groupings. Some members expressed the view that existing practices should be changed and that it might be wise to dedicate specific resources for such meetings, as had been suggested but not approved in previous years. The view was expressed by some delegations, but not shared by some others, that meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States should be included in the calendar of conferences for 2006-2007 and subsequent calendars. However, the view was also expressed by the Secretariat and some delegations that the work of the sessions of the calendar bodies were the Department's priority and that the regional groupings were accommodated on an ad hoc basis, in accordance with established practice. The representative of the Secretariat pointed delegates to paragraph 30 of the report, which referred to three options: first, dedicated funds for regional group meetings; second, Member States' flexibility in moving meetings; third, incorporation of the needs of regional and other major groupings into the organization of work of calendar bodies as "related reassignments".

## 3. Improved utilization of conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi

26. At its 465th meeting, on 19 September, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the utilization of conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (A/60/93, paras. 31-33). The Committee learned that, as a result of vigorous marketing efforts, the Office had been very successful in attracting more meetings to its facilities. The utilization rate had increased by 28 per cent during the 2003/04 period compared with the previous period. In addition, through further streamlining, efficiency gains and increased client orientation, it had been possible to reduce the charges for conference services. Moreover, the Division of Conference Services had developed and widely distributed a service manual, brochures and a welcome booklet, as well as a website, to enhance its visibility. The Division had also intensified its efforts to become a major provider of conference services in the region.

#### **Discussion**

27. Delegations expressed satisfaction that, after repeated requests from the General Assembly, there had been an improvement in the utilization rate in Nairobi. They also expressed the hope that the upgrading of the facilities would be sustained. The view was expressed that no authorization should be given to hold meetings of Nairobi-based bodies in other locations. It was explained that the Secretariat was carefully monitoring the situation.

## 4. Improved utilization of the conference centre at the Economic Commission for Africa

28. At the same meeting, the Committee considered the section of the report providing an overview of efforts to improve the utilization of the facilities at the conference centre at the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and the obstacles to be overcome (ibid., paras. 34-37). The Commission had introduced an integrated system for the management of its conferences and had conducted a fact-finding mission to identify best practices at similar conference centres within the United

Nations system. There had been a notable increase in the level of activities at the centre over the past two years, with 500 events hosted in 2004 compared with 446 in 2003. However, security considerations had led to tighter control of access to and restrictions on the use of United Nations premises for commercial activities, and this had limited the potential to expand the use of the centre.

#### **Discussion**

29. Concern was expressed about the impact of the security restrictions imposed on the conference centre. It was pointed out that ECA conference facilities did not fall under the responsibility of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. Information was requested on the extent to which the application of headquarters minimum operating security standards had affected conference services at ECA and the other duty stations. The room utilization rates from January to May 2005 as compared to the same period in 2004 are as follows:

#### (Percentage)

Month	2005	2004
January	11	12
February	19	31
March	19	22
April	24	23
May	16	21

Some expressed the need for discussions to be held by ECA with traditional users concerning the new procedures and hoped that legitimate users were not being prevented from using the facilities.

## D. Requests for exceptions to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243

#### Introduction and overview

30. The Committee on Conferences considered chapter II, section C, and annex III of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/60/93) concerning requests from subsidiary bodies, with an explanation of reasons, for exceptions to be made to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243, in which the Assembly had decided that no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly might meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. Owing to the timing of its session, from 19 to 27 September 2005, after the opening of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly, the Committee handled the matter via written communications.

#### **Conclusions and recommendations**

31. The Committee on Conferences recommended that the General Assembly explicitly authorize the following bodies to meet in New York during the main part of its sixtieth session, on the understanding that all such meetings would

be allocated conference services on an as-available basis, from within existing resources, in such a way that the work of the Assembly and its Main Committees would not be impeded:

- Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People
- Committee on Relations with the Host Country
- Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
- Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund
- United Nations Disarmament Commission
- Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories
- Committee on Conferences

#### **Chapter III**

## Improving the performance of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management

#### Introduction and overview

- 32. At its 466th meeting, on 19 September, the Committee considered the report of the Secretary-General on the reform of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (A/60/112). In introducing the report, the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management said that the Department had been striving to further rationalize the workflow and to enhance synergies, notably by managing the calendar of conferences and meetings in a more rational way, synchronizing translation capacity with expected output and enhancing accountability in all of the Department's operations. Efforts had also been made to address the specific concerns of Member States, as evidenced by the more timely issuance of the summary records of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly and the provision of detailed information on the submission of pre-session documents by substantive departments. The momentum of reform had been maintained and new projects had been initiated. One example was the pilot project undertaken by the Central Planning and Coordination Service and the Documentation Division. In the first phase, the Central Planning and Coordination Service had estimated the expected use of each translation service for consecutive three-month periods. That estimate had then been used by the translation services as the basis for their capacity planning. However, as the reforms proceeded, it had become more and more clear that there were external factors beyond the control of the Department and that the Committee could play a significant role in addressing those factors.
- 33. The Under-Secretary-General said that he wished to draw the Committee's attention to three points in particular. First, since the Department's four goals of quality, productivity, timeliness and cost-effectiveness were not fully compatible, and could even be mutually conflicting, it was essential that they be properly prioritized. In the early stages of the reform process, when the Department had focused on eliminating expenditures through better planning, it had achieved a notable reduction in the use of temporary assistance and overtime. It had then moved on to improving timeliness and subsequently to raising overall output, all within available resources. In that process, the improvement of quality presented a constant challenge. The Department would welcome the Committee's guidance, bearing in mind that progress in the achievement of one goal might mean sacrifice in the achievement of another. The question of summary records illustrated the kind of quandary at times faced by the Department. It was now clear that the Department did not have the human and financial resources to process all summary records inhouse and on time. Processing the records through contractual translation, however, involved a rather long turnaround time. If summary records for all of the intergovernmental bodies entitled to them were required in a shorter time frame, inhouse translation and other capacities would have to be strengthened, with significant financial implications. A decision by the Committee on that question was urgently needed. Second, the Department was sometimes confronted with different mandates from different intergovernmental bodies. It therefore appeared necessary for the Committee, which was the only intergovernmental body with an oversight role in conference management, to ensure greater coherence in the mandates on documentation, as it did in the area of meetings planning.

34. Third, mandates should strike a balance between the desirable and the practical. Of particular interest in that context was the "six-week rule" for document issuance. While document users wanted to receive documents as early as possible, author departments wished to incorporate the most up-to-date information and input from Member States, and therefore had to balance quality and coverage against timeliness. For its part, the Department had to juggle with the mandate of six-week issuance on the one hand and the need to avoid issuing documents less than one week before the date of their consideration on the other. From a practical viewpoint, there was a trade-off between maximizing "six-week rule" issuances and minimizing less-than-one-week issuances. Experience showed that issuing documents four weeks before their consideration while minimizing less-than-oneweek issuances might be the best combination, and the Secretariat would welcome guidance from the Committee in that regard. The Department had been proactive in taking up the mandate assigned by the General Assembly on the control and limitation of documentation by enforcing page limits and drafting guidelines set by the Assembly. Starting in 2006, the Department would aggressively slot both the submission date and the anticipated length of all pre-session documents. The support and guidance of the Committee in those efforts would be welcome.

#### Discussion

#### Dynamic conference management

35. It was suggested that of the Department's four goals (quality, quantity, timeliness and cost-effectiveness), only two, quality and timeliness, were ends in themselves. It was the Department's function to provide quality services in a timely fashion; increasing productivity and economizing on costs were merely means of achieving those ends and should not be the final determinants of policy. In response to questions about the phases of reform that had already been completed, the representative of the Secretariat detailed a number of structural and operational changes. In terms of operating methods, he referred to the slotting system for documentation, the system of page-limit waivers, eMeets, electronic referencing and electronic document flow as being just some of the innovations introduced in the past three years.

#### Meetings management

36. In answer to questions, the Committee was assured that staff loans from one duty station to another to help balance out peaks and valleys in meeting loads was an ongoing practice. It was explained that the new APG software for interpreter assignment did not affect the choice of interpreters for a given meeting. Assignment problems might arise when there was an overlap in demand for certain expertise. The view was expressed that interpreters should be assigned in line with their skills and expertise, since skilful interpretation was important to the smooth working of intergovernmental bodies.

#### Document management

37. One Committee member pointed out that the introduction of information and communication technologies in document processing could be expected to have an impact on three of the four goals (quantity, timeliness and cost-effectiveness) and wondered whether the limits of the benefits of the technologies had yet been

reached. The representative of the Secretariat said that, surprisingly, thus far the greatest impact had been on quality, in the form of greater consistency of terminology in documents. In some cases, productivity gains achieved in one area had been offset by certain changes in working methods in other areas, such as keyboarding by translators. On the other hand, printing on demand had resulted in considerable savings. Unfortunately, some technologies were not available for certain languages. Delegations requested an overview of where the technologies had been found to improve production and where problems had been encountered.

38. Some members felt that the document slotting system should be made more flexible and looked forward to receiving progress reports on the pilot self-evaluation project on the effectiveness of the slotting system conducted with the help of the Office of Internal Oversight Services and the participation of author departments.

#### Transparency and accountability

- 39. Noting that much of the section on transparency and accountability dealt with the accountability of author departments for document submission, delegations asked how such accountability was enforced. It was explained that when a document was late, it had to contain an explanatory footnote by the author department setting out the reasons for the delay in its submission. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions had put forward a proposal to make the submission of documents on time and within page limits a performance indicator for author departments in the context of results-based budgeting. In addition, the Department itself had compiled statistics on compliance in the submission of presession documents, which could be found in the annex to the above-mentioned report of the Secretary-General on the reform of the Department.
- 40. A number of Committee members felt that since the needs of intergovernmental bodies might change from year to year the necessity of providing adequate information for decision-making should be the deciding principle in setting document length. The representative of the Secretariat recalled that the Department could and did exercise flexibility by providing waivers of page limits and that negotiations on document length and timing were ongoing, not only with author departments but also with committee secretaries. The Department maintained its position that a waiver given one year should not automatically be taken as an entitlement the next year. It was pointed out by delegations that the page limit should not impact negatively on the quality and substance of reports.
- 41. On being asked how its own accountability could be evaluated, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management explained that, as an author department, it was subject to the same rules as the others and that, as a processing department, it was responsible for a four-week turnaround time. If it appeared that a deadline might not be met, the Department was responsible for alerting both the receiving body and the author department. The Department was also interested in feedback from Member States on quality; that was the purpose of the informational meetings, which had been scheduled twice a year and provided with interpretation. In addition, the Department had circulated a questionnaire to Member States in various committees to measure the degree of dissatisfaction with its performance. The Department would like to recast the questionnaire and measure the level of satisfaction rather than dissatisfaction, as suggested by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and to recirculate the questionnaire later

in the year. The view was expressed that the satisfaction of Member States was a key performance indicator for conference services. Some, but not all, delegations stressed that the questionnaire, as well as any other measures aimed at evaluating the satisfaction of Member States, should be provided in all six official languages in order to ensure that all users of conference services were able to provide feedback to the Department.

#### Integrated global management

- 42. A non-paper on the Department's project on integrated global management of conference services was circulated, giving highlights of the activities of the 2005 task forces composed of staff from the four main duty stations. The work of the task forces was of great interest and more information was sought.
- 43. Representatives of conference services at the United Nations Offices at Geneva, Vienna and Nairobi participated via videoconference in the Committee's 467th meeting, on 21 September, on progress achieved in the use of eMeets and the APG software and other recent developments concerning integrated global management at their respective duty stations. The Committee was informed that the task forces, established on the basis of the recommendations of the Office of Internal Oversight Services, had made considerable progress. The work of the task force on budget and finance, for example, had enabled conference services to develop a common budget presentation comparable across duty stations and to harmonize their budget parameters and output measures. The entire task force project and the consolidated budgeting exercise had resulted in a strong upsurge of consultation and interaction among duty stations.
- 44. The representatives of the New York, Geneva and Nairobi Offices reported that they were using eMeets for scheduling meetings; the 2006-2007 calendar for New York-based bodies was generated from the system. All four major duty stations were using the APG system for the assignment of interpreters and were striving to achieve compatibility of all their electronic meeting and documentation management systems. The duty stations increasingly collaborated in assisting one another with new information technology as well as by loaning interpretation staff as capacity allowed. Lateral transfers of staff among the four major duty stations had also been extended to cover the regional commissions in order to create more opportunities for mobility among language staff; such transfers were voluntary. Concern was raised about the distribution of documentation in Geneva, although no details were provided. The Secretariat explained that in some cases meetings held in Geneva were outside the responsibility of the Department, but that any specific complaints would be followed up by the Secretariat.
- 45. Delegations commended the Department for its efforts at global management. Some delegations welcomed the progress made and the practical steps taken to coordinate systems and overcome the compartmentalization that had formerly characterized conference services at the four duty stations. It was noted that a balanced division of labour among duty stations would make it possible to achieve greater synergy and better use of overall resources. It was noted, however, that the United Nations Office at Nairobi was still short of parity with the other three major duty stations, since it had no information technology unit and had to depend on the other duty stations to develop, install and maintain its information technology systems. Several delegations said that the videoconference had been of great

practical use in answering their questions about integrated global management and other issues.

46. Delegations supported the Department's reform process and the steps it proposed to take as outlined in the report of the Secretary-General (ibid., para. 39), but cautioned that in its efforts the Department should comply fully with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly. Furthermore, some delegations expressed the view that the Committee should review the outcomes of the work of the various task forces following their consideration by the senior managers of conference services and that the Assembly should later consider the relevant report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services. The view was also expressed that mobility of language staff had to be voluntary and should not compromise the quality of language services at the various duty stations. Other members stressed the importance of mobility as a criterion for promotion.

#### **Chapter IV**

#### **Documentation- and publication-related matters**

#### A. Submission, availability and distribution of documentation

#### Introduction and overview

- 47. At its 466th meeting, on 19 September, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the submission, availability and distribution of documentation (A/60/93, paras. 41 and 42). The Committee was informed that the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management had set itself three goals: to process documents in four weeks in the case of documents submitted on time and within the page limits; not to contribute to delay in the case of documents submitted late and, in particular, to make every effort to avoid issuance of documents less than one week before they are due for consideration; and to respond to unexpected changes in submission workload by analysing capacity and rearranging priorities. Since timely issuance depends first and foremost on timely submission, the Department was pleased by the initiative of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to make the timely submission of documentation a performance indicator for author departments.
- 48. With regard to the distribution of documents to the over 400 depository libraries, it was reported that most libraries were hesitant to waive their entitlement to hard copies and to agree to receive documents in electronic form only.

#### **Discussion**

- 49. Delegations stressed that the timely issuance of documents was of fundamental importance to the work of the intergovernmental bodies. Although the considerable efforts by the Department to meet the mandated deadlines were acknowledged, the situation was far from ideal. The problem, which appeared to lie in the late submission of documents by author departments, was being addressed by a high-level group of officials from all departments in the interdepartmental task force on documentation, chaired by the Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management. In the Security Council, documents were often available in English only at the time they were needed; the other language versions came late. The representative of the Secretariat noted that documents of the Council presented a special problem; they were not slotted and there was little predictability as to the time of their submission. Even in the case of periodic and thus more predictable reports of the Security Council, the authors were always concerned to provide the most up-to-date information possible to Member States, were usually unable to give a lead time of several weeks for processing.
- 50. With regard to distribution to depository libraries, it was stated that such libraries in many developing countries did not yet have the capacity to handle documents sent electronically and that, in some cases, they might have technology that was incompatible with that used by the United Nations system. It would be informative to learn which depository libraries were receiving electronic documents only. Information on the cost of providing hard copies was requested, and it was pointed out that the electronic means of distribution was not only much faster but also more reliable. The representative of the Secretariat explained that, for the sake

of economy, documents were sent by surface mail; regular mail shipments could not be traced, but duplicates could be sent if a shipment was lost. Since depository libraries were entitled to receive hard copies if they wished, the Department could continue to encourage but could not insist on electronic distribution. Publications would continue to be distributed in hard copy and not via electronic means.

#### B. Compliance with page limits

#### Introduction and overview

51. Also at its 466th meeting, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning compliance with page limits (ibid., paras. 43-46). The representative of the Secretariat reported that, despite considerable efforts by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management to work with author departments, 236 of the 923 slotted documents submitted in 2004 had been over the 16-page limit. The Department could not deliver documents on time unless author departments adhered to mutually negotiated deadlines and page limits. It had therefore brought the issue to the Senior Management Group. Documentation management had also been the subject of the self-evaluation exercise conducted in coordination with the Office of Internal Oversight Services.

#### **Discussion**

52. Delegations understood that page limits helped the Department to plan capacity, but emphasized that strict adherence to page limits should not stand in the way of providing adequate information to enable Member States to make informed decisions. Similarly, the trend towards combining documents, while useful, could be taken too far. Approval was expressed for the courses given to enhance the drafting skills of staff members involved in preparing reports, since a well-drafted document was usually more concise, easier to edit and translate and easier for readers to digest. The representative of the Secretariat explained that waivers of the page limit could be granted by the Under-Secretary-General or Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management. The Department was keeping a database on waiver requests in order to monitor the pattern in the different author departments. The preferred approach of the Department was to discuss the approximate length of the document with the author department before a written request was made. A delegation expressed the view that the Department should not exceed its mandate in regard to document length, and in particular should not intervene before the documents were written, as that would inevitably affect document quality. It was clarified that there was a need to engage in advance consultations in order to estimate workload and plan capacity.

#### C. Simultaneous distribution of documents

#### Introduction and overview

53. At its 468th meeting, on 21 September, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General concerning simultaneous distribution of documents (ibid., para. 47).

#### Discussion

- 54. In response to questions, the representative of the Secretariat explained that simultaneous distribution referred to both hard copy distribution and electronic posting on the Official Document System (ODS). The rule of simultaneous distribution in all official languages was now being scrupulously respected for all official documents, but the task of entering previously issued documents dating prior to 1993 onto ODS, carried out by the Department of Public Information, had resulted in some anomalies for technical reasons. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, the Department of Public Information and the Office of Central Support Services were trying to undertake this task. The rule of simultaneous distribution did not apply to brochures and informational publications of the Department of Public Information or committee websites. Delegations stressed the importance of implementing the mandate to ensure the simultaneous distribution of documents in the six official languages. Some delegations expressed the view that cases of non-compliance with the rule of distributing documents in all languages had continued and had not been addressed in the report of the Secretary-General.
- 55. Some members considered recommending a pilot project for one year to issue pre-session documents by no less than four weeks prior to their consideration. There was, however, no agreement in the Committee.

#### D. Provision of summary records

#### Introduction and overview

56. At its 468th session, on 21 September, the Committee reviewed the section of the report of the Secretary-General concerning the delivery of summary records (ibid., paras. 48-59). A non-paper with updated information was also circulated, setting out options for clearing the backlog of summary records and achieving more timely issuance. Delegations were also informed of the estimated practical and financial implications of the options.

#### Discussion

57. With respect to the non-paper, some delegations expressed the view that such information should be provided in a report of the Secretary-General. Delegations welcomed the significant improvement in the timeliness of the issuance of summary records and noted that a pilot project aimed at translating all summary records from the main part of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly by the end of the first quarter of 2005 had been completed successfully. It was explained, however, that success had been achieved by deferring other translation assignments in favour of summary records and outsourcing summary records to contractual translators. The Department had effectively utilized savings made elsewhere in order to expedite the work, but it would not be feasible to do so every year. The United Nations Office at Geneva had accumulated a similar backlog. The need to comply with rules concerning the simultaneous distribution of documents in all official languages had slowed down the issuance of summary records. The view was expressed, however, that the Department must ensure compliance with those rules, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 55/222.

- 58. It was recalled that the Secretariat had presented five options for consideration by Member States in the report of the Secretary-General (ibid., paras. 48-59). Interest was expressed by some delegations in the option of replacing summary records with digital recordings as a way of achieving an immediate reduction in costs, although other delegations held that it was essential to retain traditional summary records, as they represented the official record and institutional memory of the United Nations. In addition, the provision of recordings for official meetings was not a new proposal, but was required by the rules of procedure of certain bodies. The Secretariat had pursued its consultations with bodies that were entitled to summary records. However, only one body had indicated its willingness to consider replacing them with digital sound recordings. Another 12 bodies had indicated their readiness to accept the provisional issuance of summary records in the drafting language, with issuance of the other language versions occurring as and when they became available.
- 59. In 2005, the Department decided to assign all précis-writing to the English Translation Service on a trial basis. It was hoped that this approach would reduce to some extent the delay in the translation of summary records, since the other services had a greater capacity to translate directly from English than from Russian, Spanish or French. The financial implications would be limited to the additional temporary assistance costs required to take on meetings previously covered by the French, Russian and Spanish Services. It was expected that the additional outlay would be offset by reduced translation costs, but it was difficult to quantify the savings to be achieved. That option could be combined with the option of restricting the length of summary records to a predetermined maximum. The concern was expressed, however, that drafters of summary records would need to exercise extreme caution when attempting to produce shorter, more concise records and ensure that the records accurately reflected the statements made. The Department explained that it had also considered the options of issuing all summary records within three months, increasing the use of contractual translators and sharing the work of clearing the backlog with other duty stations. However, the cost of all such options would need to be carefully assessed. The Secretariat affirmed that the resources provided in the programme budget were insufficient to issue all summary records within that time frame and that clearing the backlog would require additional resources. Some delegations felt that the Secretariat should be provided with the resources necessary to clear the existing backlog, while others requested the Secretariat to pursue the delivery of summary records in a more efficient and cost-effective manner, in consultation with the relevant intergovernmental bodies.

#### E. Workload standards

#### Introduction and overview

60. At its 469th meeting, on 22 September, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General concerning workload standards (ibid., paras. 60-62). A non-paper on workload standards and performance measurement was also circulated, containing a proposed methodology for evaluating the performance of conference services and an annex on information technology tools and their impact on efficiency. The non-paper reflected the proposals of a departmental task force set up to review workload standards and performance measurement in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and indicated that the matter

required further elaboration. The task force notably concluded that information technology tools had enhanced the productivity of functions of the Department previously performed manually, but had not altered the way in which certain core functions, such as interpretation and translations, were performed and had in some cases even lowered productivity. The task force found no justification for any upward adjustment of workload standards at the current stage. The view was expressed that the non-paper should be issued in all official languages as a document of the General Assembly.

#### Discussion

- 61. It was explained that although there were full-system efficiencies resulting, for instance, from most applications, the introduction of information technology did not automatically warrant an upward revision of the productivity statistics for translation. Similarly, electronic referencing tools and computer-assisted translation had had the result of enhancing consistency and accuracy, but the intellectual core functions of the translator could not be automated.
- 62. Several delegations urged that technological innovations be introduced carefully, initially as a pilot project, with a view to the specific needs of the different language services so that they would not have a negative impact on the flow of work. Technology that worked well in languages that used the roman alphabet might work less well in those which did not. Productivity standards might also have to be adjusted to reflect the special problems faced by the languages that did not use the roman alphabet. It was recalled that the General Assembly had decided that any technologies used should be user-friendly for all official languages. It was felt that an analytical study should be done to determine whether a differentiated set of workload standards for the different languages was warranted for interpreters as well.
- 63. The development of internal financial performance metrics for the Secretariat was seen to be a useful planning and budgeting tool, but it was pointed out that it did not satisfy the need for a way to measure individual performance in terms of both quantity and quality. Some delegations felt that the financial metrics should not be used as performance indicators in the context of results-based budgeting. The representative of the Secretariat agreed that the search for more meaningful performance measures that would capture the element of quality and client satisfaction should go forward. Reference was also made to the feasibility study on cost-accounting to be submitted to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session.

#### Chapter V

#### Translation- and interpretation-related matters

#### A. Language service posts

- 64. At its 469th meeting, on 22 September, the Committee on Conferences considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the vacancy situation in language services posts (ibid., paras. 63-66), together with supplementary tables on the vacancy situation at the four main duty stations updated as at 31 August 2005 and a chart on the use of short-term staff at those duty stations from 1 January to 31 December 2004.
- 65. The Committee was informed that the demographic transition in the translation services continued to result in a high vacancy rate at Headquarters. The large number of retirements and the resulting influx of new staff had placed a heavy burden on training capacity and would have an impact on overall productivity. The situation was more stable in Geneva and Vienna. Vacancies in both the translation and interpretation services at the United Nations Office at Nairobi continued to be a problem because successful candidates from the recent competitive examinations for language posts had declined to accept assignments in Nairobi. During the videoconference held during the Committee's 467th meeting, on 21 September, the Committee learned that four of the six currently vacant interpreter posts in Nairobi were expected to be filled by the beginning of 2006, although mostly under contracts of less than one year.

#### Discussion

- 66. Member States stressed the need to improve the quality of translation and interpretation. Some representatives expressed cautious optimism about the prospects of improving the vacancy situation in Nairobi, but pointed out that the Secretariat should try harder to induce roster candidates to accept assignments at that duty station. It was pointed out that recruiting interpreters on short-term assignments was not a lasting solution and the problem would re-emerge. It was important to ensure that the mobility initiative was sustained. However, some delegations felt that mobility should be voluntary and should not affect the quality of language services at the various duty stations. A more effective solution might be to conduct competitive examinations specifically for Nairobi and to notify candidates before they registered for the examination that if they passed they would be assigned to Nairobi; the Group of Arab States had offered to assist in conducting such an examination for translators and interpreters into Arabic. A delegation expressed the view that a competitive examination solely for Nairobi might be inconsistent with the existing recruitment rules of the Office of Human Resources Management. It was pointed out that China had assisted, and would continue to assist, in conducting competitive examinations for Chinese-language staff, and that the Russian Federation assisted in conducting Russian-language examinations. Satisfaction was expressed at the conduct of those examinations, and the hope was expressed that they would help the Secretariat to fill the respective rosters with highly qualified language staff.
- 67. The representative of the Secretariat said that the Department was working with the Office of Human Resources Management on the possibility of conducting examinations for specific duty stations, such as Nairobi.

- 68. Some delegations stressed that vacancy rates overall were far too high. The Secretariat should redouble its efforts to address the problem and it should plan ahead and advertise foreseeable vacancies. The representative of the Secretariat said that the practice of posting multiple related vacancy announcements on Galaxy prior to the occurrence of the actual vacancies had already begun, which would considerably speed up the filling of posts.
- 69. Delegations stressed the need to ensure that the terminology used by the translation and interpretation services reflected the latest linguistic norms and terminology of the official languages in order to ensure the highest quality.
- 70. After reviewing updated information about local and non-local recruitment of short-term staff for the language services, it was pointed out that cost savings should not be pursued at the expense of quality. The representative of the Secretariat stated that many local short-term staff were retirees who had a thorough knowledge of United Nations terminology and that quality was the paramount consideration. Delegations expressed concern about the unequal distribution of resources among the language services and noted that all language services should be given equal treatment and be provided with equally favourable working conditions and resources, as stipulated in General Assembly resolution 59/265. A number of delegations also expressed concern about the practice of recruiting short-term language staff for certain language services on a local basis, regardless of the actual domicile of the staff member in question, for the sake of financial savings, which represented unequal treatment and could result in lower-quality conference services. Some delegations expressed concern that the use of local staff could result in a deterioration in quality if they were unable to keep abreast of the latest linguistic norms. The view was expressed that regardless of the local or non-local status or nationality of staff, quality was ensured by examinations and supported by informational meetings.
- 71. The representative of the Secretariat explained that under the terms of the agreements with the International Association of Conference Translators and the International Association of Conference Interpreters, short-term staff members had the right to designate any professional domicile they wished. Temporary interpreters and translators were subject to rigorous testing. Quality was the paramount consideration. Many local short-term staff were retirees, who had a thorough knowledge of United Nations terminology.

#### **B.** Informational meetings

72. At its 469th meeting, on 22 September, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on informational meetings (ibid., paras. 67 and 68), which were held separately for each official language, to brief Member States on the terminology used and to consult with them on the improvement of the language services.

#### Discussion

73. Delegations expressed their appreciation to the Secretariat and support for the holding of the informational meetings, which provided a chance for Member States to air problems in a frank exchange and for the Department to evaluate their

satisfaction with the quality of conference services provided. Many delegations stressed that quality was their main concern.

#### C. Rates of self-revision

74. At the same meeting, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General that concerned rates of self-revision (ibid., paras. 69-71). The Committee was informed that self-revision rates for 2002, 2003 and 2004 were within the target percentage (45 per cent) approved by the General Assembly at the United Nations Offices at Geneva and Vienna and exceeded the target at Headquarters and the United Nations Office at Nairobi. For 2005 to date, the rate at Headquarters was 54 per cent. However, owing to the demographic transition in the Department, the large influx of new recruits meant that more work would have to be revised, thereby bringing the self-revision rate down, especially in the Arabic, English, French and Spanish services, where there had already been considerable turnover. The downside of that shift might be a lowering of productivity, given the influx of new recruits and the time that would be needed for their training.

#### **Chapter VI**

#### Information technology

#### Introduction and overview

75. At its 468th meeting, on 21 September, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning information technology (A/60/93, paras. 72-74).

#### **Discussion**

- 76. The view was expressed that the introduction of new information technology tools was not always wholly beneficial, as it sometimes entailed extra work and transferred some of the work to other staff groups. Some technological innovations, such as computer-assisted translation, could actually slow down the work process by creating new tasks, such as the building of translation memories. The Committee was given information about the pilot project on off-site translation, which had been initiated in January 2005. Although there were cost benefits associated with the use of off-site translators, there were also a number of disadvantages, including an increased workload for programming officers and front-office staff. Some delegations expressed the view that technical innovation should be introduced carefully and should respect the specific intellectual nature of the work carried out by language staff. It was agreed that although the cost factor was important, the paramount consideration should always be the quality of work produced. Moreover, new technologies should be subject to vigorous analysis before their introduction.
- 77. During a videoconference held at the Committee's 467th meeting, on 21 September, representatives of the conference services from the four main duty stations expressed satisfaction with the reliability of the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets) and the APG software for interpreter assignment, which were both fully operational. The introduction of the two systems had improved the efficiency, timeliness and quality of services and planning. The management of conference-servicing resources had also been improved by the capacity to produce up-to-date statistical and management reports. The progress achieved across duty stations in integrating information technology into management and documentation-processing systems among conference services at all duty stations was noted. The resulting increase in interaction, information exchange and resource-sharing among the four main duty stations was also welcomed. Concern was expressed, however, at the apparent disparity in the allocation of resources for information technology. Owing to its relative lack of resources, the United Nations Office at Nairobi continued to rely on other duty stations to develop and maintain its information technology capacity. The situation in Nairobi should be improved as a matter of urgency, but without affecting other duty stations. In that regard, delegations welcomed the plan to create a P-3 information technology position within the Division of Conference Services at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, but stressed that this alone would not resolve the situation. Member States would be monitoring the situation very closely.
- 78. Recognizing that the process of integrating the conference management systems was ongoing, delegations stressed that the needs of each duty station should be taken into consideration. Some delegations also sought assurances that the increased transparency and accountability afforded by new technology was also

being extended to external clients, such as regional and other major groupings. Concern was expressed that new technologies did not always function in all six official languages of the United Nations and that information technology was more functional in certain languages than in others. Delegations stressed the importance of respecting the equality of the six official languages, as set out in General Assembly resolution 59/265.

#### **Chapter VII**

#### Other matters

- 79. At the 471st meeting, on 23 September, the Chairman proposed that, since holding the Committee's substantive session in September required an exception to be made to General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, and since many members had difficulty attending in August, the Committee might consider holding its 2006 substantive session in June. Some delegations pointed out that a June date would considerably shorten the evaluation period on which the Secretariat was to report. One delegation pointed out that the period would be further shortened if the Fifth Committee did not take up the Committee's report until its resumed session, and noted that it appeared that delegations were willing to participate in the Committee's substantive session in the month of August and that a change to June would weaken the important work of the Committee. However, another delegation expressed support for scheduling the substantive session in June. In any event, the Chairman noted that the decision on the dates for the Committee's substantive session would be taken, as usual, at the 2006 organizational session.
- 80. At the same meeting, the Committee considered a letter from the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities requesting the Committee's assistance in ensuring that delegates with disabilities could participate meaningfully and on an equal basis with others in the work of the Ad Hoc Committee. The Committee was addressed by the Secretary of the Ad Hoc Committee, who said that the most urgent need was for official documentation relating to the work of the Ad Hoc Committee to be made available in both electronic format and Braille. He also noted that Conference Room 4 was the only facility that could be accessed by participants with disabilities. The Committee expressed support for meeting the needs of the persons with disabilities involved in the elaboration of the draft convention. It urged the Secretariat to ensure that the special requirements of the Ad Hoc Committee were taken into account in conference room scheduling and to explore ways of providing the required documentation in electronic form and Braille. Delegations were of the view that the Committee should recommend that the General Assembly consider the question on a priority basis, both in the particular case, pending additional information to be provided from the Secretariat on the resources needed to make the requested documentation available in Braille, and in terms of the larger issue of access of persons with disabilities to conference services. The Secretariat explained that Conference Room 4, the preferred venue for meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee, was made available to its sessions whenever possible. The Committee agreed that the Chairman would address a letter to the President of the General Assembly informing him that the Committee had considered the above questions favourably and suggest that the Assembly give priority attention to the issue.
- 81. Also at the 471st meeting, the question was raised of the biennialization by the General Assembly of the agenda item entitled "Pattern of conferences". Some delegations requested that the question be discussed at the session. In response, the view was expressed that the General Assembly at its fifty-ninth session had considered the issue of biennialization of the agenda item and had decided to revert to the issue in the context of improving the working methods of the Fifth Committee. The Fifth Committee had considered the question, and the item

continued to be considered annually. In this regard, it was not considered to be within the mandate of the Committee on Conferences to discuss the issue. There was no further discussion on the matter.

- 82. At the same meeting, the question was raised of recommending annual consideration by the General Assembly of the agenda item entitled "Multilingualism". Some delegations proposed the possibility of considering the item every five years. No decision was taken because delegations could not agree whether the Committee had a mandate to consider the question.
- 83. Also at the 471st meeting, in view of the difficulties encountered by some delegations during the negotiations on the outcome of the 2005 World Summit (resolution 60/1) owing to the convening of meetings open to all Member States in small conference rooms, Committee members expressed the view that, in future, care should be taken in the scheduling of conference rooms to make certain that their size was consistent with the anticipated attendance in order to ensure the safety of the participants. A delegation expressed the view that the inability of all Member States to attend those meetings had affected the transparency of the proceedings. The Chairman stated that, while safety in the conference rooms was within the purview of the Committee, judging or pronouncing on the proceedings of other bodies was not. The Secretariat explained that it had always tried to provide rooms on the basis of the size requested by the organizers.

#### Annex

# Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations and of the principal organs of the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and treaty bodies established under the auspices of the United Nations for 2006 and 2007

The following abbreviations are used in the present annex:

#### In the column headed "Organ"

ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
ECE	Economic Commission for Europe

ECLAC Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean ESCAP Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

ESCWA Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization
ICSC International Civil Service Commission

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development

ILO International Labour Organization

IMF International Monetary Fund

IMO International Maritime Organization

INSTRAW International Research and Training Institute for the

Advancement of Women

ITU International Telecommunication Union

UNCCD United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
UNCITRAL United Nations Commission on International Trade Law
UNCTAD United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

UNDP United Nations Development Programme
UNEP United Nations Environment Programme

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFCCC United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization

UNITAR United Nations Institute for Training and Research

UNRWA United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine

Refugees in the Near East

UNU United Nations University

UPU Universal Postal Union
WFP World Food Programme

WHO World Health Organization

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization

WMO World Meteorological Organization

#### In the column headed "Membership"

G Governments

E Experts

ST Secretariat or secretariats

#### In the column headed "Servicing"

I Interpretation

T Translation

PV Verbatim records

SR Summary records

A Arabic

C Chinese

E English

F French

R Russian

S Spanish

#### A. Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations, 2006

(as at August 2005)

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servio	cinga		Periodicity
1.	Commission on Human Rights, open-ended working group to elaborate an optional protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/256]	6-17 January	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
2.	Economic and Social Council, election of Bureau [Charter]	9 January	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
3.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention [General Assembly resolution 55/70] <sup>b</sup>	9-13 January	New York	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
4.	Commission on Human Rights, open-ended working group on the right to development [Economic and Social Council decision 2005/256]	9-13 January	Geneva	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	
5.	Preparatory Committee for the 2006 United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, first meeting (General Assembly resolution 59/86)	9-20 January	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т		
6.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, forty-first session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	9-27 January	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
7.	States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, twenty-first meeting [General Assembly resolution 2106 (XX)] <sup>b</sup>	12 January	New York	155 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
8.	Military Staff Committee [Charter]	13 January, once every fortnight thereafter	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV	Every second Friday
9.	UNICEF, Executive Board, first regular session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	16-19 January	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
10.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, thirty-fourth session [General Assembly resolutions 34/180 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	16 January- 3 February	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
11.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, regular session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV) and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/297]	19-27 January	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
12.	Open-ended Working Group for the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, organizational session (General Assembly resolution 59/71)	20 January	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
13.	Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP [General Assembly resolution 52/12 B]	20 and 23 January	New York	36 G/36 G/ 36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
14.	WFP, Executive Board, first regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] <sup>c</sup>	20-24 January	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
15.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	20 January- 3 February	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
16.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Arbitration [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	23-27 January	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
17.	Conference on Disarmament, first part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	23 January- 31 March	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
18.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, first regular session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	24-27 January	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
19.	Panel of Governmental Experts on Verification in All its Aspects, first session (General Assembly resolution 59/60)	30 January- 3 February	New York	20 E	I (ACEFRS)	T		
20.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Security Interests [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	30 January- 3 February	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
21.	United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, Board of Trustees [General Assembly resolution 46/122] <sup>d</sup>	30 January- 3 February	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
22.	International Narcotics Control Board, eighty-fifth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11] <sup>b</sup>	30 January- 3 February	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
23.	Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, forty-sixth session [General Assembly resolutions 31/133 and 39/125]	January	New York	5 G	_	_	_	One session per year
24.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Situations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/41]	January/February (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	One session per year
25.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 45/124, 47/94 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	6-10 February	New York	4 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
26.	UNCTAD, Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	6-10 February	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
27.	UNEP, Global Ministerial Environment Forum, ninth special session [General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 42/185]	7-9 February	Dubai	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
28.	Economic and Social Council, organizational session [Charter]	7-10 February	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
29.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	7 February- 21 April	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
30.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	8-10 February	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
31.	Commission for Social Development, forty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 10 (II), 1139 (XLI) and 1996/7]	8-17 February	New York	46 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
32.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	13 February	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
33.	United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations, Board of Trustees [General Assembly resolution 40/131] <sup>d</sup>	13-17 February	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	One session per year
34.	United Nations Forum on Forests [Economic and Social Council resolution 2005/29]	13-24 February	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
35.	ICSC, sixty-second session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	13-24 February	To be determined	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
36.	UNCTAD, Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	20-24 February	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
37.	ECE, sixty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	20-24 February	Geneva	55 G	I (EFR)	T	_	One session per year
38.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, forty-third session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	20 February- 3 March	Vienna	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
39.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, sixty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)] <sup>b</sup>	20 February- 10 March	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year

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40.	Commission on the Status of Women, fiftieth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1999/257]	27 February- 10 March	New York	45 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
41.	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group, substantive session [General Assembly resolution 48/42]	27 February- 17 March	New York	114 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
42.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	February	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
43.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	February/March	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR <sup>e</sup>	
44.	Human Rights Committee, Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	6-10 March	New York	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
45.	Thirteenth group of governmental experts of the States parties to, and first Preparatory Committee for, the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [decision of the States parties, December 2001] <sup>b,d</sup>	6-10 March	Geneva	90 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
46.	UNCTAD, Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	6-10 March	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
47.	Statistical Commission, thirty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/8]	7-10 March	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
48.	Human Rights Committee, eighty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	13-31 March	New York	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
49.	Commission on Human Rights, sixty-second session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	13 March- 21 April <sup>f</sup>	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
50.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, forty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	14-23 March	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
51.	Committee of the Whole of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39]	14-23 March (4 days)	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
52.	Committee for Development Policy, eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1998/46]	20-24 March	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year

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53.	Preparatory Committee for the 2006 United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, second meeting (General Assembly resolution 59/86)	20-31 March	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т		
54.	Committee of Experts on Public Administration [Economic and Social Council resolution 2001/45 and 2003/60]	27-31 March	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
55.	United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, twenty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII), 1314 (XLIV) and 2004/303]	28 March-4 April	Vienna	80 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
56.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	March (5 days)	Geneva	с	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
57.	Committee for the United Nations Population Award [General Assembly resolution 36/201]	March/April <sup>g</sup> (2 days)	New York	10 G	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
58.	General Assembly, Fifth Committee, resumed session [Charter]	March	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
59.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-first session <sup>d</sup>	March	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
60.	Commission on Population and Development, thirty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 150 (VII), 87 (LVII) and 1995/55]	3-7 April	New York	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
61.	Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf [annex II, article 2 (5), of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea] <sup>b</sup>	3-7 April	New York	21 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
62.	Open-ended Working Group for the fourth Special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament (General Assembly resolution 59/71)	3-7 April	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
63.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Transport Law [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	3-13 April	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
64.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Legal Subcommittee, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 (XIV)]	3-13 April	Vienna	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	$SR^h$	One session per year
65.	Disarmament Commission [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	10-28 April <sup>g</sup>	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year

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66.	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, fifteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/1]	19-28 April <sup>g</sup>	Vienna	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
67.	ESCAP, sixty-second session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 37 (IV), 69 (V) and 723 B (XXVIII)]	20-26 April <sup>g</sup>	Indonesia <sup>i</sup>	52 G	I (CEFR)	T	_	One session per year
68.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Procurement [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	24-28 April	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
69.	Committee against Torture, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolution 56/44] <sup>b</sup>	24-28 April	Geneva	4 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	
70.	Preparatory Committee for the Sixth Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction [final declaration of the Special Conference of the States Parties]	24-28 April	Geneva	141 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
71.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/260]	24-28 April	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	
72.	Committee on Information, twenty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 33/115 C]	24 April-5 May	New York	99 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
73.	United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, Board of Trustees, twenty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 36/151] <sup>d</sup>	April (2 weeks) <sup>g</sup>	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
74.	Committee on the Protection of the Rights of Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158] <sup>b</sup>	April (1 week) <sup>g</sup>	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
75.	UNITAR, Board of Trustees, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolutions 1934 (XVIII) and 47/227] <sup>d</sup>	April (1 week) <sup>g</sup>	Geneva	28 E	I (AEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
76.	Special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and UNCTAD [General Assembly resolution 50/227 and Economic and Social Council decision 2005/211]	April <sup>c</sup> (1 day) <sup>g</sup>	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
77.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	April <sup>g</sup>	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
78.	United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, first regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 2001/321]	April/May <sup>g</sup>	To be determined	26 ST	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year

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79.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	April/May <sup>g</sup> (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
80.	Commission on Sustainable Development, fourteenth session [Economic and Social Council decisions 1993/207 and 2005/228]	1-12 May	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
81.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, thirty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	1-19 May	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
82.	Committee against Torture, thirty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A] <sup>b</sup>	1-19 May	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
83.	General Assembly, Fifth Committee, resumed session [Charter]	1 May-2 June	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
84.	International Law Commission, fifty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 174 (II)]	1 May-9 June and 3 July-11 August	Geneva	34 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
85.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	8 May	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
86.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention [Economic and Social Council decision 2003/247]	8-13 May	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	
87.	International Narcotics Control Board, eighty-sixth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11] <sup>b</sup>	8-19 May	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
88.	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session [Charter]	10-11 May	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
89.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, resumed session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV) and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/297]	10-19 May	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
90.	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, parallel meetings for informal consultations and working groups [Economic and Social Council decision 1997/232]	11-20 May (12 meetings)	Vienna	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
91.	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, ninth session [General Assembly resolution 46/235 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/75]	15-19 May	Geneva	33 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
92.	Panel of Governmental Experts on Verification in All its Aspects, second session (General Assembly resolution 59/60)	15-19 May	New York	20 E	I (ACEFRS)	T		
93.	Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues [Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/22]	15-26 May	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year

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94.	UNFCCC, meetings of subsidiary bodies of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention [General Assembly decision 56/199] <sup>b</sup>	15-26 May	Bonn	186 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
95.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, forty-second session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	15 May-2 June	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
96.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	15 May-30 June	New York and other UN duty stations	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
97.	Conference on Disarmament, second part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	15 May-30 June	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
98.	United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement Review Conference [General Assembly resolution 59/25]	22-26 May	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
99.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, pre-sessional working group [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	22-26 May	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	Т	_	Two sessions per year
100.	United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, fifty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 913 (X)]	29 May-2 June	Vienna	21 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
101.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Minorities [Economic and Social Council resolution 1998/246 and 2005/278]	May (5 days)	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
102.	Regional seminar to review the situation in Non-Self-Governing Territories under the Second Decade on the Eradication of Colonialism [General Assembly resolution 55/147]	May (3 days)	To be determined	To be determined	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
103.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	May (1 day)	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
104.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the medium-term plan and the programme budget [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)] <sup>d</sup>	May	Geneva	e	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
105.	ECA, Committee of Experts of the Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, twenty-fifth meeting [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	May	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year

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106.	ECA, Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, thirty-ninth session of the Commission [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	May/June	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	Т	_	One session per year
107.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Committee of Actuaries [General Assembly resolution 1561 (XV), article XXIX]	5-7 June	New York	5 E	I (ER)	T	_	One session per year
108.	UNICEF, Executive Board, annual session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	5-9 June	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
109.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	5-9 June	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
110.	Committee on Contributions, sixty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 14 (I) A]	5-30 June	New York	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
111.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, forty-sixth session, first part [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	5-30 June	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
112.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, forty- ninth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	7-16 June	Vienna	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	$PV^h$	One session per year
113.	WFP, Executive Board, annual session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] <sup>c</sup>	12-16 June	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
114.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, annual session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	12-23 June	Geneva	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
115.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	14-16 June	New York	20 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
116.	Meeting of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [General Assembly resolutions 37/66 and 49/28] <sup>b</sup>	19-23 June	New York	138 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
117.	Fourteenth group of governmental experts of the States parties to, and third Preparatory Committee for, the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [Decision of the States parties, December] <sup>b,d</sup>	19-30 June	Geneva	90 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
118.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, thirty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI)]	19 June-7 July	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year

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119.	Conference of the States Parties to the Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its Protocols, third session [General Assembly resolution 55/25] <sup>b</sup>	26 June-7 July	Vienna		I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
120.	Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, Board of Trustees [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/283]	June (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
121.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery [Economic and Social Council decision 16 (LVI)]	June (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	One session per year
122.	Meeting of persons chairing human rights treaty bodies [General Assembly resolutions 46/111 and 49/178] <sup>d</sup>	June (1 week)	Geneva	8 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
123.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-second session <sup>d</sup>	June	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
124.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	June	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
125.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	June/July (6-8 meetings per week, up to 30 meetings)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR <sup>e</sup>	
126.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	June/July (1 day)	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
127.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 A (IV)]	June/July	Geneva	7 E	I (EF)	T	$PV^{j}$	Two sessions per year
128.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention [General Assembly resolution 55/70] <sup>b</sup>	3-7 July	New York	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
129.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	3-12 July	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
130.	Economic and Social Council, substantive session [Charter]	3-28 July	Geneva	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
131.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, thirty-fifth session [General Assembly resolutions 34/180 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	10-28 July	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year

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132.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	12-14 July	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
133.	United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	19-21 July	New York	3 E	_	_	_	One session per year
134.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 45/124, 47/94 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	31 July-4 August	New York	4 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
135.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, sixty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)] <sup>b</sup>	31 July- 18 August	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
136.	Human Rights Committee, eighty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	July (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
137.	Human Rights Committee, Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	July (1 week)	Geneva	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
138.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Indigenous Populations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/34]	July (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
139.	Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, intersessional forum on economic, social and cultural rights (Social Forum) [Economic and Social Council decision 2003/264]	July (2 days)	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
140.	UNCTAD, Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	July	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
141.	International Law Seminar [General Assembly resolution 49/51]	July/August (3 weeks)	Geneva	30 E	I (EFS)	_	_	One session per year
142.	ICSC, sixty-third session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	10-27 July	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
143.	Meeting between the representatives of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions [General Assembly resolutions 37/4 and 50/17]	11-13 July	Vienna	27 ST	I (AEF)	T	_	One session every two years

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144.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	12-13 July	Nairobi	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
145.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, fifty-third session [General Assembly resolutions 248 (III) and 46/200]	13-21 July	Nairobi	33 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session every two years
146.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	13-21 July	Nairobi	15 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session every two years
147.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/260]	24-28 July	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	
148.	Conference on Disarmament, third part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	31 July- 15 September	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
149.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, fifty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	7-25 August	Geneva	26 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
150.	Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women [General Assembly resolution 34/180] <sup>b</sup>	9 August	New York	163 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
151.	Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf [annex II, article 2 (5), of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea] <sup>b</sup>	21-25 August	New York	21 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
152.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Communications [Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII)]	August (2 weeks)	Geneva	5 E	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
153.	Group of governmental experts on illicit brokering in small arms [General Assembly resolution 59/86]	4-8 September	New York	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
154.	Fifteenth group of governmental experts of the States parties to, and Third Preparatory Committee for, the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [Decision of the States parties, December 2001] <sup>b,d</sup>	4-8 September	Geneva	90 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
155.	UNICEF, Executive Board, second regular session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	5-8 September	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
156.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	5 September- 22 December	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
157.	Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	7 September	New York	145 G	I (AEFRS)	Т	SR	One session every two years
158.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	11 September	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
159.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, second regular session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	11-15 September <sup>i</sup>	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
160.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Arbitration [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	11-15 September	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
161.	UNCTAD, Trade and Development Board, fifty-third session [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)] <sup>d</sup>	11-22 September	Geneva	148 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
162.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, forty-third session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	11-29 September	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
163.	General Assembly, sixty-first session [Charter]	12 September- December	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	$\frac{PV}{SR^k}$	
164.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Security Interests [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	18-22 September	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
165.	Commission on Human Rights, working group of experts on people of African descent [Economic and Social Council decision 2003/246]	September (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFRS)	T	_	
166.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on the use of mercenaries [Economic and Social Council decision 2005/255]	September (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
167.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	September (5 days)	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
168.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-third session <sup>d</sup>	September (3 days)	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
169.	UNITAR, Board of Trustees, second part [General Assembly resolutions 1934 (XVIII) and 47/227] <sup>d</sup>	September (2-3 days)	Geneva	28 E	I (AEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
170.	UNRWA, Advisory Commission [General Assembly resolution 302 (IV)]	September (1 day)	Amman	10 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
171.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	September	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
172.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	September/ October (1 day)	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	Four sessions per year
173.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	September/ October (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
174.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	2-6 October	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
175.	WFP, Executive Board, second regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] <sup>c</sup>	18-22 October	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
176.	International Narcotics Control Board, eighty-seventh session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11] <sup>b</sup>	30 October- 16 November	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
177.	Human Rights Committee, eighty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	October (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
178.	Human Rights Committee, Pre-sessional Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	October (1 week)	Geneva	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
179.	UNHCR, Executive Committee, fifty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 1166 (XII)]	October (1 week)	Geneva	68 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
180.	UNHCR, Executive Committee, fifty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 1166 (XII)]	October (1 week)	Geneva	64 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
181.	United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, second regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 2001/321]	October	New York	26 ST	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
182.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 (IV)]	October/ November (5 weeks)	New York	7 E	I (EF)	T	$PV^{j}$	Two sessions per year
183.	WFP, Executive Board, second regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] <sup>e</sup>	6-10 November	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
184.	Committee against Torture, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolution 56/44] <sup>b</sup>	6-10 November	Geneva	4 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servi	cinga		Periodicity
185.	Eighth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [article 13, paragraph 1, of Amended Protocol] <sup>b,d</sup>	6-17 November	Geneva	69 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	One session per year
186.	Annual Meeting, and Third Review Conference, of the States parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [Convention] <sup>b,d</sup>	6-17 November	Geneva	89 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
187.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Transport Law [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	6-17 November	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
188.	UNFCCC, Conference of the Parties to the Convention, twelfth session [General Assembly resolution 56/199] <sup>b</sup>	6-17 November	Bonn	186 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
189.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention [Economic and Social Council decision 2003/247]	13-24 November	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	
190.	Committee against Torture, thirty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A] <sup>b</sup>	13-25 November	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
191.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, thirty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	13 November- 1 December	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
192.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	20 November	New York	11-12 E	_	_	-	Four or five meetings per year
193.	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolutions 32/40 B and 33/28]	29 November	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	PV	One session per year
194.	Sixth Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction [final declaration of the Special Conference of the States Parties]	November (3 weeks)	Geneva	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
195.	Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, Board of Trustees [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/283]	November (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EF)	T	-	Two sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (2006)	es (2006) Location M		nip Servicing <sup>a</sup>			Periodicity
196.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention [Economic and Social Council decision 2003/247]	November (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	Т	_	
197.	United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities [General Assembly resolution 32/197] <sup>d</sup>	November (1 day)	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
198.	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 [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One meeting per year
199.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
200.	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	1-5 December	Geneva	22 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
201.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, pre-sessional working group [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	4-8 December	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
202.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Procurement [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	4-8 December	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
203.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	4-12 December	Geneva	22 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
204.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Insolvency Law [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	11-15 December	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
205.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	12-14 December	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
206.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/260]	December (2 weeks)	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	
207.	UNU, Council, fifty-third session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)] <sup>d</sup>	December (1 week)	Tokyo	28 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session per year
208.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-fourth session <sup>d</sup>	December (3 days)	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	Four sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
209.	Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, fortieth session [General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX)]	December (2 days)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
210.	Disarmament Commission, organizational session [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	December (1-2 days)	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
211.	Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [General Assembly resolution 55/75]	December (1 meeting)	Geneva	193 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One meeting per year
212.	Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [General Assembly resolution 55/75] <sup>d</sup>	December (1 meeting)	Geneva	193 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One meeting per year
213.	UNCTAD, Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167] <sup>d</sup>	December	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
214.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	December	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
215.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	December	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
216.	UNCTAD, other commodity conferences and commodity meetings [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (up to 30 meetings)	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
217.	UNCTAD, seminars and study groups [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (up to 30 meetings)	Geneva	с	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
218.	UNCTAD, consultations of the Secretary-General and of the President of the Trade and Development Board [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (up to 30 meetings)	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
219.	UNCTAD, executive sessions of the Trade and Development Board [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (3 days)	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	As required

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220.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, briefings and informal consultations [General Assembly resolutions 2020 (XX) and 48/162]	As required	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	As required
221.	UNICEF, Executive Board, briefings and informal consultations [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	As required	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	As required
222.	Economic and Social Council, informal consultations [General Assembly resolution 50/227]	As required	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
223.	ECE, committees and working groups [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	As required	Geneva	55 G	To be determined	T	_	As required
224.	Trusteeship Council (and drafting committees) [Charter]	As required	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV <sup>e</sup>	As required
225.	Security Council [Charter]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	As required
226.	Security Council Committee of Experts [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1st meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
227.	Security Council, Committee on the Admission of New Members [decision taken by the Security Council at its 42nd meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
228.	Security Council, Committee on Council Meetings away from Headquarters [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1625th meeting]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
229.	Security Council Commission established under Security Council resolution 446 (1979)	As required	New York	3 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
230.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
231.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 918 (1994) concerning Rwanda	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
232.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning Sierra Leone	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
233.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	As required
234.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
235.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required

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236.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
237.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
238.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
239.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1572 (2004) concerning Côte d'Ivoire	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
240.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
241.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991) <sup>d</sup>	As required	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
242.	United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine [General Assembly resolution 194 (III)]	As required	New York	3 G	I (EF)	T	_	As required
243.	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group [General Assembly resolution 2006 (XIX)]	As required	New York	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
244.	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolution 3376 (XXX)]	As required	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
245.	Committee on Conferences [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	As required	New York	21 G	I (AEFRS)	T	_	As required
246.	Committee on Relations with the Host Country [General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI)]	As required	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
247.	International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [Security Council resolution 808 (1993) and General Assembly resolution 47/235] <sup>d</sup>	As required	The Hague	11 E	I (EF)	T	_	As required
248.	International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [Security Council resolution 955 (1994)] <sup>d</sup>	As required	Arusha	11 E	I (EF)	T	_	As required

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
249.	Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1273 (XLIII), 1765 (LIV) and 2004/69]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
250.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Asia and the Pacific region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/11 and 1988/15]	To be determined (1 week)	Bangkok	51 G	I (CEFR)	T	_	One session per year
251.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Latin America and the Caribbean region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/34 and 1988/15]	To be determined (1 week)	Santiago	41 G	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
252.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, African region [Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/11]	To be determined (1 week)	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
253.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East [Economic and Social Council resolution 1776 (LIV)]	To be determined (1 week)	A capital in the region	23 G	I (AER)	T	_	One session per year
254.	INSTRAW, Executive Board [Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/57] <sup>c,d</sup>	To be determined <sup>c</sup> (2-3 days)	New York	10 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
255.	Commission on Sustainable Development, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1997/63]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
256.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
257.	Twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	To be determined (1 day)	New York	145 G	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
258.	Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics [Economic and Social Council resolution 2005/12]	To be determined	New York	54 G	_	T	_	
259.	High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Financial Situation of the United Nations [General Assembly resolution 49/143]	To be determined	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
260.	Informal Open-ended Working Group on an Agenda for Peace and/or its subgroups [General Assembly resolution 47/120]	To be determined	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
261.	Panel of Governmental Experts on Verification in All its Aspects, third session (General Assembly resolution 59/60)	To be determined	New York	20 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т		

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servio	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
262.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167] <sup>d</sup>	To be determined	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
263.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167] <sup>d</sup>	To be determined	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
264.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution $51/167$ ] <sup>d</sup>	To be determined	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
265.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the medium-term plan and the programme budget [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)] <sup>d</sup>	To be determined	Geneva	e	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
266.	Ad Hoc Committee for the Negotiation of a Convention against Corruption	To be determined	Vienna	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
267.	UNCCD, Committee for the Review of the Convention, third session [General Assembly resolution 56/196] <sup>b</sup>	To be determined	Bonn	185 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
268.	ECLAC, thirty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 106 (VI) and 2004/47 and decision 1985/188]	To be determined	Montevideo	41 G	I (EFS)	T	_	One session every two years
269.	UNODC, Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, first session [General Assembly resolution 58/4]	To be determined	To be determined		I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
270.	Panel of External Auditors of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [General Assembly resolutions 347 (IV) and 1438 (XIV)]	To be determined	To be determined	9 E	I (EF)	_	_	One session per year
271.	United Nations Board of Auditors, special session [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	To be determined	To be determined	3 E	_	_	_	One session per year

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- <sup>a</sup> The languages in which interpretation will be provided are indicated. Languages in which translation and meeting records will be provided vary according to the rules of procedure applicable to the body concerned and, in the case of some working groups and similar bodies, according to the actual requirements when these are less than would be provided under the rules of procedure.
- <sup>b</sup> Treaty bodies.
- <sup>c</sup> Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).
- d Conference services are funded from outside the regular budget of the United Nations.
- <sup>e</sup> For plenary meetings only.
- f In its decision 2005/292 of 25 July 2005, the Economic and Social Council authorized six fully serviced additional meetings, including summary records, in accordance with rules 29 and 31 of the rules of procedure of the functional commission of the Council, for the Commission's sixty-second session. The Council approved the Commission's decision to request the Chairperson of the sixty-second session of the Commission to make every effort to organize the work of the session within the time normally allotted so that the additional meetings authorized by the Council might be utilized only if they proved to be absolutely necessary.
- <sup>g</sup> Pursuant to paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 59/265 and as decided by the Assembly previously, United Nations intergovernmental bodies are requested to avoid holding meetings on Orthodox Good Friday, which falls on 21 April 2006 and 6 April 2007.
- <sup>h</sup> The General Assembly, in paragraph 8 of its resolution 53/45, noted with satisfaction that, in accordance with paragraph 9 of Assembly resolution 52/56, the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, at its forty-first session, had reviewed further its requirements for unedited verbatim transcripts and agreed to continue the use of those transcripts.
- <sup>1</sup> Subject to the approval of the General Assembly.
- When holding oral hearings.
- <sup>k</sup> It has been the practice to provide verbatim records for plenary and First Committee meetings only.

## B. Bodies whose mandates are to be presented for renewal to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location	Membership	Servio	cing <sup>a</sup>	Periodicity
1.	Ad Hoc Committee to elaborate a convention on the rights of persons with disabilities [General Assembly resolution 59/198]	9-20 January and 7-18 August	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
2.	Ad Hoc Committee on the convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel [General Assembly resolution 59/47]	27 February- 3 March	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
3.	Group of governmental experts on the continuing operation and further development of the Register of Conventional Arms (General Assembly resolution 56/24)	27 February- 3 March	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
4.	Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996 [General Assembly resolution 59/46]	13-24 March	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
5.	Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [General Assembly resolution 3349 (XXIX)]	3-13 April	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
6.	Group of governmental experts on the continuing operation and further development of the Register of Conventional Arms (General Assembly resolution 56/24)	8-12 May	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
7.	Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea [General Assembly resolution 57/141]	5-9 June	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
8.	Group of governmental experts on the continuing operation and further development of the Register of Conventional Arms (General Assembly resolution 56/24)	17-28 July	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
9.	Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [General Assembly resolution 2656 (XXV)]	To be determined	New York	9 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
10.	Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters Related to the Security Council [General Assembly resolution 48/26]	To be determined	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_
11.	Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [General Assembly resolution 2443 (XXIII)]	To be determined	Geneva	3 G	I (AEF)	T	PV <sup>b</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The languages in which interpretation will be provided are indicated. Languages in which translation and meeting records will be provided vary according to the rules of procedure applicable to the body concerned and, in the case of some working groups and similar bodies, according to the actual requirements when these are less than would be provided under the rules of procedure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> When holding oral hearings.

## C. Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations, 2007

(as at August 2005)

	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
1.	Working Group on reimbursement of contingent-owned equipment [General Assembly resolution 55/274]	2-12 January	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
2.	Military Staff Committee [Charter]	12 January, once every fortnight thereafter	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV	Every second Friday
3.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention [General Assembly resolution 55/70] <sup>b</sup>	8-12 January	New York	5 E	I (EFS)	Т	_	Two sessions per year
4.	UNICEF, Executive Board, first regular session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	15-18 January	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
5.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, thirty-sixth session [General Assembly resolutions 34/180 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	15 January- 2 February	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
6.	Economic and Social Council, election of Bureau [Charter]	17 January	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
7.	Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP [General Assembly resolution 52/12 B]	19 and 22 January	New York	36 G/36 G/ 36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
8.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, regular session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV) and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/297]	22 January- 2 February	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
9.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, first regular session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	23-26 January	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
10.	International Narcotics Control Board, eighty-eighth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11] <sup>b</sup>	29 January- 2 February	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
11.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	January (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
12.	United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, Board of Trustees [General Assembly resolution 46/122] <sup>c</sup>	January (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	Т	_	One session per year
13.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	January (1 week)	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year

	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
14.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the medium-term plan and the programme budget, forty-fourth session, first part [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)] <sup>c</sup>	January (1 week)	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
15.	Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women, forty-seventh session [General Assembly resolutions 31/133 and 39/125]	January	New York	5 G	_	_	_	One session per year
16.	UNCTAD, Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167] <sup>c</sup>	January	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
17.	WFP, Executive Board, first regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] <sup>c</sup>	January/February (1 week)	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
18.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	January/February (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
19.	Conference on Disarmament, first part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	January-March (8 weeks)	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
20.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 45/124, 47/94 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	5-9 February	New York	4 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
21.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Arbitration [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	5-9 February	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
22.	UNEP, Governing Council, twenty-fourth session [General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 42/185]	5-9 February	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
23.	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group, substantive session [General Assembly resolution 48/42]	5 February- 2 March	New York	113 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
24.	Economic and Social Council, organizational session [Charter]	6-9 February	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
25.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	6 February- 20 April	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
26.	Commission for Social Development, forty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 10 (II), 1139 (XLI) and 1996/7]	7-16 February	New York	46 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
27.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Security Interests [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	12-16 February	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year

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28.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	12-23 February	Vienna	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
29.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	21-23 February	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
30.	Eleventh Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child [General Assembly resolution $44/25$ ] <sup>b</sup>	23 February	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
31.	Intergovernmental preparatory meeting for the fifteenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/61]	26 February- 2 March	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
32.	Commission on the Status of Women, fifty-first session [Economic and Social Council decision 1999/257]	26 February- 9 March	New York	45 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
33.	Statistical Commission, thirty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/8]	27 February- 2 March	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
34.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	February	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
35.	UNCTAD, Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	February	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
36.	UNCTAD, Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	February	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
37.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	February	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
38.	United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations, Board of Trustees [General Assembly resolution 40/131] <sup>d</sup>	February/March (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	One session per year
39.	Human Rights Committee, Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	5-9 March	New York	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
40.	Human Rights Committee, eighty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	12-30 March	New York	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
41.	General Assembly, Fifth Committee, resumed session [Charter]	12 March- 13 April	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	

	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
42.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, fiftieth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	13-22 March	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
43.	Committee of the Whole of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs [Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39]	13-22 March (4 days)	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
44.	Committee for Development Policy, ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1998/46]	19-23 March	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
45.	Group of governmental experts on illicit brokering in small arms [General Assembly resolution 59/86]	19-23 March	New York	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
46.	Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf [annex II, article 2 (5), of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea] <sup>b</sup>	26-30 March	New York	21 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
47.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Legal Subcommittee, forty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 (XIV)]	26 March-5 April	Vienna	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR <sup>e</sup>	One session per year
48.	ECE, sixty-second session [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	March	Geneva	55 G	I (EFR)	T	_	One session per year
49.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-fifth session	March	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
50.	Commission on Human Rights, sixty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	March/April (6 weeks)	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
51.	UNITAR, Board of Trustees, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolutions 1934 (XVIII) and 47/227]	March/April (1 week)	Geneva	28 E	I (AEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
52.	Committee for the United Nations Population Award [General Assembly resolution 36/201] <sup>d</sup>	March/April (2 days)	New York	10 G	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
53.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	March/April (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
54.	Commission on Population and Development, fortieth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 150 (VII), 87 (LVII) and 1995/55]	9-13 April	New York	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
55.	Committee of Experts on Public Administration [Economic and Social Council resolution 2001/45 and 2003/60]	9-13 April	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
56.	ICSC, sixty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	9-20 April	To be determined	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
57.	Disarmament Commission [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	9-27 April	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year

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58.	Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, twenty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/1 and General Assembly resolution 56/206] <sup>c</sup>	16-20 April	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session every two years
59.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Transport Law [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	16-27 April	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
60.	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, sixteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/1]	17-26 April	Vienna	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
61.	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, parallel meetings for informal consultations and working groups [Economic and Social Council decision 1997/232]	17-26 April (12 meetings)	Vienna	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
62.	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session [Charter]	25-26 April	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
63.	Committee on Information, twenty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 33/115 C]	30 April-11 May	New York	99 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
64.	Commission on Sustainable Development, fifteenth session [Economic and Social Council decisions 1993/207 and 2005/228]	30 April-11 May	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
65.	United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, Board of Trustees, twenty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 36/151] <sup>c</sup>	April (2 weeks)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
66.	ESCAP, sixty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 37 (IV), 69 (V) and 723 B (XXVIII)]	April (7 days)	Bangkok	52 G	I (CEFR)	T	_	One session per year
67.	Committee against Torture, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolution 56/44] <sup>b</sup>	April (1 week)	Geneva	4 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	
68.	Special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and UNCTAD [General Assembly resolution 50/227 and Economic and Social Council decision 2005/211]	April (1 day)	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
69.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	April	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
70.	ESCWA, Preparatory Committee [Economic and Social Council resolution 1994/26]	April	Beirut	13 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session every two years
71.	ESCWA, twenty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1818 (LV), 2089 (LXIII) and 1994/26]	April	Beirut	13 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session every two years

	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
72.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, thirty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	April/May (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
73.	United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, first regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 2001/321]	April/May	To be determined	26 ST	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
74.	International Law Commission, fifty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 174 (II)]	3 May-8 June and 9 July-10 August	Geneva	34 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
75.	International Narcotics Control Board, eighty-ninth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11] <sup>b</sup>	7-18 May	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
76.	UNFCCC, meetings of subsidiary bodies of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention [General Assembly decision 56/199] <sup>b</sup>	7-18 May	Bonn	189 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
77.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, resumed session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV) and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/297]	14-18 May	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
78.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Insolvency Law [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	14-18 May	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
79.	Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues [Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/22]	14-25 May	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
80.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	15 May-20 July	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
81.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Procurement [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	21-25 May	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
82.	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, tenth session [General Assembly resolution 46/235 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/75]	21-25 May	Geneva	33 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
83.	United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, fifty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 913 (X)]	21 May-1 June	Vienna	21 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
84.	High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, fifteenth session [General Assembly resolutions 33/134 and 58/220]	29 May-1 June	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
85.	Committee against Torture, thirty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A] <sup>b</sup>	May (3 weeks)	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
86.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/260]	May (2 weeks)	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	

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87.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	May (1 week)	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
88.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Minorities [Economic and Social Council resolution 1998/246]	May (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
89.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, pre-sessional working group [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	May (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
90.	Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158] <sup>b</sup>	May (1 week)	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
91.	Regional seminar to review the situation in Non-Self-Governing Territories under the Second Decade on the Eradication of Colonialism [General Assembly resolution 55/147]	May (3 days)	To be determined	To be determined	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
92.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	May (1 day)	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
93.	General Assembly, Fifth Committee, resumed session [Charter]	May	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
94.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	May	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
95.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the medium-term plan and the programme budget [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	May	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
96.	Conference on Disarmament, second part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	May/June (7 weeks)	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
97.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	May/June (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
98.	UNICEF, Executive Board, annual session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	4-8 June	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
99.	Group of governmental experts on illicit brokering in small arms [General Assembly resolution 59/86]	4-8 June	New York	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	

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100.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, forty-seventh session, first part [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	4-29 June	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
101.	WFP, Executive Board, annual session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] <sup>c</sup>	6-10 June	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
102.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, fiftieth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	6-15 June	Vienna	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV <sup>e</sup>	One session per year
103.	United Nations Board of Auditors [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	11-13 June	New York	3 E	I (EF)	_	_	One session per year
104.	Panel of governmental experts on missiles, first session [General Assembly resolution 59/67]	11-15 June	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
105.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, annual session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	11-22 June	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
106.	Committee on Contributions, sixty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 14 (I) A]	11-29 June	New York	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
107.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, European region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1993/36 and 2005/28]	25-29 June	Vienna	55 G	I (AEFRS)	T	_	One session every 2 years
108.	Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, Board of Trustees [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/283]	June (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
109.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	June (1 week)	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
110.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery [Economic and Social Council decision 16 (LVI)]	June (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	One session per year
111.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Committee of Actuaries [General Assembly resolution 1561 (XV), article XXIX]	June (1 week)	New York	5 E	I (ER)	T	_	One session per year
112.	Meeting of persons chairing human rights treaty bodies [General Assembly resolutions 46/111 and 49/178] <sup>d</sup>	June (1 week)	Geneva	8 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
113.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-sixth session <sup>c</sup>	June	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year

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114.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	June	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
115.	ECA, Committee of Experts of the Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, twenty-fourth meeting [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	June	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	Т	_	One session per year
116.	ECA, Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, thirty-eighth session of the Commission [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	June	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
117.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, forty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	June/July (4 weeks)	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
118.	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI)]	June/July (6-8 meetings per week, up to 30 meetings)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	$SR^f$	
119.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	June/July (3-4 days)	New York	20 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
120.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	June/July (1 day)	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
121.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	June/July	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
122.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 A (IV)]	June/July	Geneva	7 E	I (EF)	T	$PV^g$	Two sessions per year
123.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, fortieth session [General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI)]	25 June-20 July	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
124.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention [General Assembly resolution 55/70] <sup>b</sup>	2-6 July	New York	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
125.	Meeting of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [General Assembly resolutions 37/66 and 49/28] <sup>b</sup>	2-13 July	New York	138 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One or two sessions per year
126.	Economic and Social Council, substantive session [Charter]	2-27 July	Geneva <sup>g</sup>	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
127.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	9-12 July	New York	15 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session every two years

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128.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, thirty-seventh session [General Assembly resolutions 34/180 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	9-27 July	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
129.	ICSC, sixty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	16-27 July	New York	15 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
130.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 45/124, 47/94 and 51/68] <sup>b</sup>	30 July-3 August	New York	4 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
131.	Human Rights Committee, ninetieth session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	July (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
132.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Indigenous Populations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/34]	July (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
133.	Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, intersessional forum on economic, social and cultural rights (Social Forum) [Economic and Social Council decision 2003/264]	July (2 days)	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
134.	UNCTAD, Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	July	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
135.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	July	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
136.	International Law Seminar [General Assembly resolution 49/51]	July/August (3 weeks)	Geneva	30 E	I (EFS)	_	_	One session per year
137.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, fifty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	July/August (3 weeks)	Geneva	26 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
138.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, seventieth session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)] <sup>b</sup>	July/August (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
139.	Third Biennial Meeting of States to consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects [General Assembly resolution 56/24 V]	July (1 week)	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T		One session every two years

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140.	Conference on Disarmament, third part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	July/September (7 weeks)	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	PV	One session in three parts per year
141.	Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf [annex II, article 2 (5), of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea] <sup>b</sup>	27-31 August	New York	21 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
142.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, forty-seventh session, second part [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	August (2 weeks)	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
143.	Human Rights Committee, Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	August (2 weeks)	Geneva	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
144.	Commission on Human Rights, Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Working Group on Communications [Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII)]	August (2 weeks)	Geneva	5 E	I (CEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
145.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/260]	August (2 weeks)	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	
146.	UNICEF, Executive Board, second regular session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	4-7 September	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
147.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolution 173 (II)]	4 September- 21 December	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
148.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, second regular session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	10-14 September <sup>h</sup>	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
149.	General Assembly, sixty-second session [Charter]	18 September- December	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV/ SR <sup>i</sup>	
150.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, forty-sixth session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	September (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
151.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-seventh session <sup>c</sup>	September (3 days)	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	Four sessions per year
152.	UNRWA, Advisory Commission [General Assembly resolution 302 (IV)] <sup>c</sup>	September (1 day)	Amman	10 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year

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153.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	September	New York	11-12 E	_	_	-	Four or five meetings per year
154.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	September	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
155.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	September	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
156.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	September/ October (1 day)	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
157.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	September/ October (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Three sessions of one meeting each per year
158.	International Narcotics Control Board, ninetieth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11] <sup>b</sup>	31 October- 16 November	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
159.	Human Rights Committee, ninety-first session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	October (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
160.	UNCTAD, Trade and Development Board, fifty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	October (2 weeks)	Geneva	148 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
161.	UNCCD, Conference of the Parties to the Convention, eighth session, and meetings of subsidiary bodies [General Assembly resolution 56/196] <sup>b</sup>	October (2 weeks)	Bonn	185 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
162.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211] <sup>b</sup>	October (1 week)	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
163.	Human Rights Committee, Working Group on Communications [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)] <sup>b</sup>	October (1 week)	Geneva	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
164.	General Assembly, high-level dialogue on financing for development [General Assembly resolution 57/250] <sup>d</sup>	October (3 days)	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session every two years
165.	General Assembly, high-level dialogue on financing for development [General Assembly resolution 57/250]	October (3 days)	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session every two years
166.	United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, second regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 2001/321]	October	New York	26 ST	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
167.	UNHCR, Executive Committee, fifty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 1166 (XII)]	October	Geneva	64 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year

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168.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 (IV)]	October/ November (5 weeks)	New York	7 E	I (EF)	Т	$PV^g$	Two sessions per year
169.	UNFCCC, Conference of the Parties to the Convention, thirteenth session, and meetings of subsidiary bodies [General Assembly resolution 56/199] <sup>b</sup>	5-16 November	Bonn	189 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
170.	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, Special Meeting in Observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolutions 32/40 B and 33/28]	29 November	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	PV	One session per year
171.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, thirty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	November (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
172.	Committee against Torture, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolution 56/44] <sup>b</sup>	November (1 week)	Geneva	4 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	
173.	WFP, Executive Board, second regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] <sup>c</sup>	November (1 week)	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two to three sessions per year
174.	Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, Board of Trustees [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/283]	November (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
175.	Committee against Torture, thirty-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A] <sup>b</sup>	November (2 weeks)	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
176.	Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 45/158] <sup>b</sup>	November (1 week)	Geneva	10 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
177.	Annual Meeting of States parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [Convention] b.c.	November (1 week)	Geneva	89 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
178.	Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, forty-second session [General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX)]	November (2 days)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
179.	United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	November (1 day)	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year

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180.	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 [General Assembly resolution 1729 (XVI)]	November (1 meeting)	New York	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One meeting per year
181.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	November	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
182.	Ninth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [article 13, paragraph 1, of Amended Protocol] <sup>b,c</sup>	November	Geneva	69 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	One session per year
183.	Annual meeting of the States parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction [Decision of the States parties at its Fifth Review Conference] <sup>b,c</sup>	November/ December (1 week)	Geneva	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
184.	Disarmament Commission, organizational session [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	November/ December (1-2 days)	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
185.	UNICEF, Executive Board, extraordinary budgetary session [Executive Board decision 2000/7]	13 and 14 December	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session every two years
186.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/260]	December (2 weeks)	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	
187.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, pre-sessional working group [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39] <sup>b</sup>	December (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
188.	UNU, Council, fifty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	December (1 week)	Tokyo	28 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session per year
189.	UNU, Council, fifty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	December (1 week)	Tokyo	28 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session per year
190.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), fifty-eighth session <sup>c</sup>	December (3 days)	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	Four sessions per year
191.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, resumed fiftieth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	December (3 days)	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years

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192.	Third meeting of the States parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families [General Assembly resolution 57/218] <sup>b</sup>	December (1 day)	New York	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	One session every two years
193.	Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [General Assembly resolution 55/75]	December (1 meeting)	Geneva	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One meeting per year
194.	Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [General Assembly resolution 55/75]	December (1 meeting)	Geneva	194 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One meeting per year
195.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	December	Geneva	22 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
196.	UNCTAD, Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	December	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
197.	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	December	Geneva	22 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
198.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	December	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
199.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives [Governing Council decision 13/2]	December	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
200.	UNCTAD, other commodity conferences and commodity meetings [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (up to 30 meetings)	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	As required
201.	UNCTAD, seminars and study groups [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (up to 30 meetings)	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
202.	UNCTAD, consultations of the Secretary-General and of the President of the Trade and Development Board [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (up to 30 meetings)	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required

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203.	UNCTAD, executive sessions of the Trade and Development Board [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	As required (3 days)	Geneva	d	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	As required
204.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, briefings and informal consultations [General Assembly resolutions 2020 (XX) and 48/162]	As required	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	As required
205.	UNICEF, Executive Board, briefings and informal consultations [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	As required	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
206.	Economic and Social Council, informal consultations [General Assembly resolution 50/227]	As required	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
207.	Trusteeship Council (and drafting committees) [Charter]	As required	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV <sup>e</sup>	As required
208.	Security Council [Charter]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	As required
209.	Security Council Committee of Experts [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1st meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
210.	Security Council, Committee on the Admission of New Members [decision taken by the Security Council at its 42nd meeting, 1946]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	As required
211.	Security Council, Committee on Council Meetings away from Headquarters [decision taken by the Security Council at its 1625th meeting]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	As required
212.	Security Council Commission established under Security Council resolution 446 (1979)	As required	New York	3 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
213.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
214.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 918 (1994) concerning Rwanda	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
215.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning Sierra Leone	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
216.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
217.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required

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218.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
219.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
220.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
221.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
222.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1572 (2004) concerning Côte d'Ivoire	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
223.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
224.	United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine [General Assembly resolution 194 (III)]	As required	New York	3 G	I (EF)	T	_	As required
225.	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group [General Assembly resolution 2006 (XIX)]	As required	New York	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
226.	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolution 3376 (XXX)]	As required	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
227.	Committee on Conferences [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	As required	New York	21 G	I (AEFRS)	T	_	As required
228.	Committee on Relations with the Host Country [General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI)]	As required	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
229.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991) <sup>c</sup>	As required	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
230.	ECE, committees and working groups [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	As required	Geneva	55 G	To be determined	T	_	As required
231.	International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [Security Council resolution 808 (1993) and General Assembly resolution 47/235] <sup>c</sup>	As required	The Hague	11 E	I (EF)	T	_	As required

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232.	International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [Security Council resolution 955 (1994)] <sup>c</sup>	As required	Arusha	11 E	I (EF)	T	-	As required
233.	Group of governmental experts of the States parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects, tenth session [Decision of the States parties, December 2001] <sup>b,c</sup>	To be determined (4-5 weeks)	Geneva	90 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
234.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, seventieth session [General Assembly resolution $2106 \text{ A} (XX)]^b$	To be determined (3 weeks)	Geneva	18 E	I (CEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
235.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	To be determined (3 weeks)	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
236.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	To be determined (3 weeks)	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
237.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	To be determined (3 weeks)	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
238.	Meeting of experts of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction [Decision of the States parties at its Fifth Review Conference] <sup>b,c</sup>	To be determined (2 weeks)	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
239.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Situations [Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/41]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	One session per year

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240.	Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1273 (XLIII), 1765 (LIV) and 2004/69]	To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
241.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Asia and the Pacific region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/11 and 1988/15]	To be determined (1 week)	Bangkok	51 G	I (CEFR)	Т	_	One session per year
242.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Latin America and the Caribbean region [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/34 and 1988/15]	To be determined (1 week)	Santiago	41 G	I (EFS)	Т	_	One session per year
243.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, African region [Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/11]	To be determined (1 week)	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
244.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East [Economic and Social Council resolution 1776 (LIV)]	To be determined (1 week)	A capital in the region	23 G	I (AER)	T	_	One session per year
245.	General meeting on cooperation between the representatives of the secretariats of the United Nations system and the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States and its specialized organizations [General Assembly resolutions 45/82 and 50/16]	To be determined (3 days)	To be determined	27 ST	I (AEF)	T	_	One session every two years
246.	ECLAC, Committee of the Whole, twenty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 106 (VI)]	To be determined (2 days)	Santiago	42 G	I (EFS)	T	_	One session every two years
247.	Commission on Sustainable Development, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1997/63]	To be determined (1 day)	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
248.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31]	To be determined <sup>c</sup> (1 day)	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
249.	Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics [Economic and Social Council decision 2004/51]	To be determined	New York	54 G	_	T	_	
250.	INSTRAW, Executive Board [General Assembly resolution 59/260 and Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/57] <sup>c</sup>	To be determined <sup>c</sup>	New York	10 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
251.	Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean [General Assembly resolution 56/16]	To be determined	New York	44 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
252.	High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Financial Situation of the United Nations [General Assembly resolution 49/143]	To be determined	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	

	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing <sup>a</sup>		Periodicity
253.	Informal Open-ended Working Group on an Agenda for Peace and/or its sub-groups [General Assembly resolution 47/120]	To be determined	New York	191 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
254.	Eleventh Meeting of States Parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A] <sup>b</sup>	To be determined	Geneva	139 G	I (EFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
255.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Insolvency Law [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	To be determined	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
256.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Security Interests [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	To be determined	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
257.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Procurement [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	To be determined	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
258.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Transport Law [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	To be determined	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
259.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Arbitration [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	To be determined	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
260.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Electronic Commerce [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	To be determined	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
261.	Panel of External Auditors of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [General Assembly resolutions 347 (IV) and 1438 (XIV)]	To be determined	To be determined	9 E	I (EF)	-	_	One session per year
262.	United Nations Board of Auditors, special session [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	To be determined	To be determined	3 E	-	-	_	One session per year
263.	General meeting of representatives of the United Nations system and of the Organization of American States [General Assembly resolution 55/15]	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined	-	T	_	One session every two years

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The languages in which interpretation will be provided are indicated. Languages in which translation and meeting records will be provided vary according to the rules of procedure applicable to the body concerned and, in the case of some working groups and similar bodies, according to the actual requirements when these are less than would be provided under the rules of procedure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Treaty bodies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Conference services are funded from outside the regular budget of the United Nations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup> The General Assembly, in paragraph 8 of its resolution 53/45, noted with satisfaction that, in accordance with paragraph 9 of Assembly resolution 52/56, the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, at its forty-first session, had reviewed further its requirements for unedited verbatim transcripts and agreed to continue the use of those transcripts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>f</sup> For plenary meetings only.

g When holding oral hearings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>h</sup> Subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

i It has been the practice to provide verbatim records for plenary and First Committee meetings only.

## D. Draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the principal organs of the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and treaty bodies established under the auspices of the United Nations, 2006

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location
1.	ICAO, Committee	16 January-3 February	Montreal
2.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Programme and Budget Committee	17 January	Vienna
3.	WHO, Executive Board	23-28 January	Geneva
4.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings	13 February-3 March	Vienna
5.	IFAD, Governing Council	14-15 February	Rome
6.	ICAO, Council	20 February-17 March	Montreal
7.	IAEA, Board of Governors	6 March	Vienna
8.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees	16-31 March	Geneva
9.	ICAO, Committee	18 April-5 May	Montreal
10.	IFAD, Executive Board	19-20 April	Rome
11.	UPU, Postal Operations Council	April	Berne
12.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Programme and Budget Committee	2 May	Vienna
13.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings	15-26 May	Vienna
14.	WHO, World Health Assembly, fifty-ninth session	22-27 May	Geneva
15.	ICAO, Council	23 May-16 June	Montreal
16.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group A and informal/expert meetings	29 May-2 June	Vienna
17.	ILO, General Conference	30 May-15 June	Geneva
18.	UNIDO, Industrial Development Board	6-7 June	Vienna
19.	IAEA, Board of Governors	12 June	Vienna
20.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees	16 June	Geneva
21.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, twenty-sixth session	19-23 June	Vienna
22.	WMO, Executive Council	20-30 June	Geneva
23.	ITU, Council	June	Geneva
24.	IMO, Council	June	London
25.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings	29 August-8 September	Vienna

	Organ	Dates (2006)	Location
26.	UNIDO, Programme and Budget Committee, twenty-second session	5-6 September	Vienna
27.	IAEA, Board of Governors	11 September	Vienna
28.	IFAD, Executive Board	13-14 September	Rome
29.	IAEA, General Conference	18-22 September	Vienna
30.	IAEA, Board of Governors	25 September	Vienna
31.	Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty	September	Vienna
32.	Annual meetings of the Boards of Governors of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund	September	Washington, D.C.
33.	WIPO, Assemblies of Member States	September/October	To be determined
34.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, Working Group A and informal/expert meeting	2-6 October	Vienna
35.	ICAO, Committee	10-27 October	Montreal
36.	UPU, Council of Administration	October	Berne
37.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees	2-17 November	Geneva
38.	Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, tenth session	7-11 November	The Hague
39.	ICAO, Council	13 November-8 December	Montreal
40.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, twenty-seventh session	13-17 November	Vienna
41.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Technical Assistance and Cooperation Committee	20 November	Vienna
42.	FAO, Council	20-25 November	Rome
43.	IAEA, Board of Governors	23 November	Vienna
44.	UNIDO, Industrial Development Board	28-30 November	Vienna
45.	IMO, Council	November	London
46.	IMO, Assembly	November	London
47.	Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Executive Council	6-9 December	The Hague
48.	IFAD, Executive Board	13-14 December	Rome
49.	International Seabed Authority, Assembly, twelfth session	To be determined	Kingston
50.	UNESCO, Executive Board	To be determined	Paris
51.	Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	To be determined	The Hague

		Organ	Dates (2006)	Location
-	52.	Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, Budget and Finance Committee	To be determined	The Hague
5	53.	Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Executive Council	To be determined	The Hague
4	54.	UPU Congress	To be determined	To be determined

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	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location
1.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Programme and Budget Committee	15 January	Vienna
2.	ICAO, Committee	15 January-2 February	Montreal
3.	WHO, Executive Board	January	Geneva
4.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings	12 February-2 March	Vienna
5.	ICAO, Council	19 February-16 March	Montreal
6.	IFAD, Governing Council	February	Rome
7.	IAEA, Board of Governors	5 March	Vienna
8.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees	8-30 March	Geneva
9.	ICAO, Committee	16 April-4 May	Montreal
10.	IFAD, Executive Board	April	Rome
11.	UPU, Postal Operations Council	April	Berne
12.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Programme and Budget Committee	7 May	Vienna
13.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings	14-25 May	Vienna
14.	ICAO, Council	22 May-22 June	Montreal
15.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group A and informal/expert meetings	29 May-1 June	Vienna
16.	UNIDO, Programme and Budget Committee, twenty-third session	May	Vienna
17.	WHO, World Health Assembly, sixtieth session	May	Geneva
18.	WMO, Executive Council	May	Geneva
19.	ILO, General Conference	5-21 June	Geneva
20.	IAEA, Board of Governors	11 June	Vienna
21.	FAO, Council	20-25 June	Rome
22.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees	22 June	Geneva
23.	UNIDO, Industrial Development Board	June	Vienna
24.	ITU, Council	June	Geneva
25.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, twenty-eighth session	June	Vienna

	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location
26.	IMO, Council	June	London
27.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings	27 August-7 September	Vienna
28.	IAEA, Board of Governors	10 September	Vienna
29.	IAEA, General Conference	17-21 September	Vienna
30.	IAEA, Board of Governors	24 September	Vienna
31.	Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty	September	New York
32.	IFAD, Executive Board	September	Rome
33.	Annual meetings of the Boards of Governors of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund	September	Washington, D.C.
34.	WIPO, Assemblies of Member States	September/October	Geneva
35.	UNESCO, General Conference	September/October	Paris
36.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, Working Group A and informal/expert meeting	1-5 October	Vienna
37.	UPU, Council of Administration	October	Berne
38.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees	1-16 November	Geneva
39.	Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, twelfth session	5-9 November	The Hague
40.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, twenty-ninth session	12-16 November	Vienna
41.	ICAO, Council	19 November-14 December	Montreal
42.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Technical Assistance and Cooperation Committee	19 November	Vienna
43.	IAEA, Board of Governors	22 November	Vienna
44.	IMO, Council	November	London
45.	IMO, Assembly	November	London
46.	IMO, Council	November	London
47.	ITU, World Summit on the Information Society, second phase	November	Tunis
48.	FAO, Council	November	Rome
49.	FAO, Conference	November	Rome
50.	FAO, Council	1 December	Rome
51.	UNIDO, General Conference, eleventh session	3-7 December	Vienna
52.	IFAD, Executive Board	December	Rome

	Organ	Dates (2007)	Location
53.	International Seabed Authority, Assembly, thirteenth session	To be determined	Kingston
54.	Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Executive Council	To be determined	The Hague
55.	Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	To be determined	The Hague
56.	Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, Budget and Finance Committee	To be determined	The Hague
57.	UNESCO, Executive Board	To be determined	Paris
58.	World Tourism Organization, General Assembly	To be determined	To be determined