

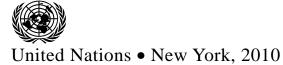
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Chapter I

Organizational matters

A. Membership

1. In its resolution 43/222 B, the General Assembly decided to retain the Committee on Conferences as a permanent subsidiary organ. Pursuant to the provisions of that resolution, in 2010 the Committee was composed of the following Member States: Argentina, Austria, China, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, France, Germany, Japan, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Mozambique, Nigeria, Panama, the Philippines, the Russian Federation, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, the United States of America and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of). ¹

B. Officers

2. At its organizational session for 2010 (504th meeting), held on 30 March 2010, the Committee elected the following officers to serve in 2010:

Chair:

Claudia Corti (Argentina)

Vice-Chairs:

Jun **Yamada** (Japan) George Morara **Orina** (Kenya)

Rapporteur:

Barbara Kaudel (Austria)

3. At the same session, the Committee agreed in principle that the Chair would undertake informal consultations with a view to determining the composition of its 2011 Bureau and that the outgoing Chair and members of the Bureau would continue in their capacity until the 2011 Bureau was elected.

C. Organization of work

- 4. Also at its organizational session, the Committee agreed to follow the guidelines adopted in 1994 and 1995 with regard to its 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. At the same meeting, the Chair proposed that an additional meeting be held in order for the Committee to review the proposed strategic framework for the period 2012-2013 in its capacity as the oversight body for programme 1: General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management (A/65/6 (Prog. 1)). At the 505th meeting, held on 28 April 2010, the Committee reviewed the proposed strategic framework. The recommendations of the Committee were transmitted in a letter dated 13 May 2010 from the Chair of the Committee on

¹ One Vice-Chair from the Eastern European States is to be appointed, and one member from the Eastern European States is to be appointed (see A/65/107 and A/AC.172/2010/INF/1).

Conferences to the Chair of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and were issued in a note by the Secretariat on the proposed strategic framework for the period 2012-2013: review of part two: biennial programme plan by sectoral, functional and regional bodies (see E/AC.51/2010/CRP.1, annexes I and II).

- 6. The Committee convened its substantive session from 30 August to 3 September 2010 (506th to 509th meetings).
- 7. At the organizational session on 30 March, the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management addressed the Committee. At the meeting on 28 April 2010, the Under-Secretary-General introduced the proposed strategic framework (A/65/6 (Prog. 1)). At the opening of the substantive session on 30 August, he introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/65/122). Statements were made by the representatives of Austria, Mexico and the Russian Federation.

D. Programme of work

8. At its organizational session for 2009 (497th meeting), held on 7 April 2009, the Committee requested that the Secretariat submit the draft agenda for 2010 to the Committee at its organizational session for 2010. At its organizational session for 2010, the Committee adopted the agenda (A/AC.172/2010/L.1) and requested that the Secretariat submit a draft agenda for 2011 to the Committee at its organizational session for 2011.

E. Participation of observers

9. Seven Member States and one intergovernmental organization were represented as observers at the organizational and the substantive sessions of the Committee: Bangladesh, Cuba, Egypt, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, and the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie.

Chapter II

Calendar of conferences and meetings

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

10. At its 506th meeting, on 30 August 2010, the Committee on Conferences considered the sections of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/65/122, sect. II.A.1 and annex I) containing requests for exceptions to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243, by which the Assembly had decided that no subsidiary organ of the Assembly might meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly.

B. Conclusions and recommendations

- 11. 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 sixty-fifth session, on the understanding that all such meetings would be allocated conference services on an "as available" basis, in such a way that the work of the Assembly and its Main Committees would not be impeded:
- (a) Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People;
 - (b) Committee on Relations with the Host Country;
 - (c) **Disarmament Commission**;
 - (d) Independent Audit Advisory Committee;
- (e) International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute;
- (f) Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

C. Adoption of the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings for 2011, and related matters

Introduction and overview

12. At its 506th meeting, on 30 August 2010, the Committee reviewed the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings for 2011 (A/AC.172/2010/L.2) and considered the relevant sections of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/65/122, paras. 6-8 and annex II). A major prerequisite for the Department to carry out its mandate was clarity regarding dates, duration and modalities for the meeting and documentation requirements of conferences and meetings envisaged so that the required statement of conference-servicing implications and any necessary statement of programme budget implications, could be presented to Member States for consideration. Recalling that the President of the General Assembly had appointed a facilitator to sort out the conflicting mandates of

high-level meetings during the opening of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly, it was pointed out that for the sixty-sixth regular session, three competing mandates had already been identified in the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings for 2011. The Department would continue its practice of including the conferences and meetings in question in the calendar on the basis of their legislative mandates and would subsequently specify any relevant conference-servicing and programme budget implications, in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Discussion

13. It was pointed out that prudence was required in determining the length of conferences and sessions, as many delegations faced financial constraints. The proposals for the scheduling of the resumed sessions of the Fifth Committee were noted with appreciation, although disappointment was expressed that the possible options did not include changing the dates of the Committee for Programme and Coordination or the opening of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council. While it was important for the Secretariat to continue to improve in the area of timely submission of documents, Member States must also be willing to meet the agreed targets for submission.

D. Intersessional departures for 2010 and related matters

Introduction and overview

- 14. The General Assembly, in its resolution 64/230, approved the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 2010 and 2011, as submitted by the Committee on Conferences, and authorized the Committee to make any adjustments that might become necessary as a result of actions and decisions taken by the Assembly at its sixty-fourth session. The calendar was issued as document A/AC.172/2010/2 and Add.1.
- 15. At its 373rd meeting, on 26 August 1994, the Committee 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.
- 16. At its 379th meeting, on 23 March 1995, the Committee 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.
- 17. At its substantive session of 1995, the Committee 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.
- 18. The Committee on Conferences approved the requests received in 2010 from the Commission for Social Development and the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for an additional meeting at the conclusion of their sessions and from the Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters for a change of venue from New York to Geneva, and took note of the request of the Fifth Committee at the second resumed session for an additional meeting.

Chapter III

Meetings management: utilization of conference services and facilities

A. Utilization of conference-servicing resources and facilities: meeting statistics of United Nations organs and consultations with/letters to bodies concerning utilization of conference-servicing resources

Introduction and overview

- 19. At its 506th meeting on 30 August 2010, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences containing statistical data and analysis of 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 2009 (see A/65/122, paras. 10-13 and annex III).
- 20. The overall utilization factor for all four duty stations in 2009 was 86 per cent (85 per cent in 2008). Meeting cancellations remained high in New York compared to other duty stations. Late cancellations of meetings and cancellation of certain language combinations for interpretation had in some cases caused disruption in capacity-planning.
- 21. The Committee also heard an oral report by the Chair on her mandate to hold consultations with the four intergovernmental bodies that had utilized less than the benchmark of 80 per cent of their allocated resources for three consecutive years. A meeting was held with the Chair of the Committee on Contributions. As a result of more accurate planning, early cancellations and optimum utilization of time, the Commission on Population and Development and the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group had already improved their utilization factor above the benchmark in 2010. A meeting is scheduled in October with the Chair of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization.

Discussion

22. For Nairobi, the decrease in the utilization factor from 100 per cent in 2008 to 90 per cent in 2009 resulted from more standardized statistical reporting which now recorded time lost as a result of late starts, early endings and cancellations of meetings.

B. Provision of interpretation services to meetings of bodies entitled to meet "as required"

Introduction and overview

23. At the same meeting the Committee also considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the provision of interpretation services to meetings of "as required" bodies (see A/65/122, para. 14 and annex IV). A comparative analysis showed an increase in provision of services in New York to 95 per cent in 2009; for the period 1 January to 31 May 2010, 98 per cent of such requests had been met. For the first time, Geneva was reporting

that category of meetings; 95 per cent of the requests for interpretation services had been met in 2009.

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

Introduction and overview

24. Also at its 506th meeting, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the provision of interpretation services to meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States (see A/65/122, paras. 15 and 16 and annex V).

Discussion

25. The significant progress being made in provision of services to meetings of regional groups was welcomed. A representative of the Secretariat said that the improvement could be attributed to increased predictability in the meetings of regional groups at the ambassadorial level, which had been a major factor. As soon as the programmes of work for the Security Council and the General Assembly became available, regional groups could be informed of the availability of services, often one or even two days in advance of a planned meeting. One delegation asked for an explanation of the rise in demand in Geneva, resulting in only 61 per cent of requests being met in 2009, as well as for statistics for Nairobi and Vienna. A representative of the Secretariat said that in Geneva, "as required" meetings of the Human Rights Council took priority when allocating available capacity. Nairobi and Vienna did not have available capacity and therefore did not service meetings of regional groupings.

D. Utilization of conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi

Introduction and overview

26. At the same meeting, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning utilization of the conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (see A/65/122, para. 17). It was noted with satisfaction that in 2009 all meetings of Nairobi-based bodies had been held in Nairobi, in conformity with the headquarters rule.

E. Utilization of the conference centre at the Economic Commission for Africa

Introduction and overview

27. Also at its 506th meeting, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the utilization of the conference centre at the Economic Commission for Africa (see A/65/122, paras. 18 and 19). In 2009, the utilization rate of the conference centre had remained at 76 per cent. Owing to increased competition in the local and regional markets, an

improvement in the centre's utilization rate might not be realistically sustainable in the next few years. Marketing activities of the centre included participation in high-profile international conventions and exhibitions. Among new steps being taken to ensure sustainability of the occupancy rate achieved in 2009, the centre had established partnerships with the Addis Ababa Tourism Commission, Ethiopian Airlines and other stakeholders to sell Addis Ababa as a conference and tourism destination.

Discussion

28. Further information was requested on efforts to market the conference centre, the results of the most recent assessment of the condition of the facilities and any timetable for their refurbishment. In addition, it would be helpful to have information on the most recent security assessment, in view of the construction of high-rise buildings that directly face the delegates entrance of the conference centre, and on any remedial measures planned.

Chapter IV

Impact of the capital master plan, strategy IV (phased approach), on meetings held at Headquarters during its implementation

Introduction and overview

29. At its 506th meeting, on 30 August 2010, the Committee on Conferences considered section II.C of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning the impact on meetings held at Headquarters during the implementation of the capital master plan (A/65/122, paras. 20-24). After the relocation of meetings to the North Lawn Building, the Department continued to face limitations in accommodating meetings with large numbers of participants owing to reduced capacity in the rooms and in accommodating ad hoc meeting requests in excess of core activities owing to a reduced number of rooms. As foreseen, there had been a reduction in capacity for parallel meetings and side events. Since not all conference rooms had the same equipment, for instance videoconferencing equipment, it was often necessary to reassign rooms based on last-minute requests for such services. Owing to ongoing construction and closure of access routes, transportation of documents from the Publishing Section to the General Assembly Building and the North Lawn Building posed a safety hazard to staff. Start-up delays in the North Lawn Building, including the absence of telephones and limited podium seating in some rooms and necessary adjustments to voting software, had affected operations as well. The relocation of all staff of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management into eight swing spaces had posed challenges, and some difficulties persisted.

Discussion

- 30. Several delegations expressed regret at the reduction in capacity for parallel meetings and asked what specific measures were being taken to resolve that issue. Concern was also expressed about the problems encountered with the voting software and when they would be resolved. Regarding availability of documentation, clarification was requested as to whether only documents available electronically could be printed on demand. It was also asked whether the dispersion of the staff of the Department across eight locations had affected the work of the Department. Another concern was expressed on behalf of Department staff about the irregularities in the functioning of both the heating and the air-conditioning systems in the swing spaces and the North Lawn Building. It was pointed out that the situation had a significant impact on the working environment of the staff concerned, to the extent that it was affecting their ability to work. The Secretariat was requested to provide a detailed list of outstanding issues and their status in respect of the North Lawn Building and the Department swing spaces.
- 31. A representative of the Secretariat said that the Department had not yet faced a situation where core activities had been affected; no official meetings had been cancelled or requests for official meetings refused because of a lack of space, although there was limited space for side events and gallery space. The problems with the voting software had been brought to the attention of the technical staff and the adjustments were scheduled for completion before the start of the general debate at the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly. With regard to availability of

documentation, because of the limited storage space in the North Lawn Building, the Department had moved forward with electronic processing and printing on demand, which tied in with its efforts to move towards full electronic processing of documents. Printed documents were still available but might take slightly longer to be delivered because of the lack of storage space. Guarantees were given that there was no intention to discontinue the provision of hard copies, bearing in mind the disparity in the access by Member States to information technology tools. As for the dispersion of Department staff, the electronic processing of the documents processing chain had made the physical location of staff members less relevant. Moreover, for the first time, the staff comprising the entire document processing chain, from terminology and reference, to editing, translation and text processing, were located in one place, the Albano Building on East 46th Street, which was relatively close to the conference facilities. The air conditioning and heating problems were being addressed in cooperation with the capital master plan contractors.

Chapter V

Integrated global management

Introduction and overview

- 32. At its 506th meeting, on 30 August 2010, the Committee considered the section of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences concerning integrated global management (see A/65/122, paras. 25-34 and annex VI). Intensive joint efforts of the four duty stations had produced concrete findings and recommendations covering all main conference management areas, including costing models. Of the major information technology projects launched in the past few years, the data warehouse ("project 1") was now functional and yielding useful management information. "Project 2", a state-of-the-art meetings management system known as e-Meets 2.0, had been piloted in Vienna and was launched in New York on 16 August 2010. The interpreters assignment programme (e-APG module) was fully functional across all duty stations. Progress on other fronts included the adoption of a single application to manage contractual translation and efforts to standardize workflows and work processes, such as global workload management and global management of contractual translation.
- 33. Regarding "project 3", on documents management, the Department had taken action to address the issue of a cost-benefit analysis of information technology arrangements that would both reduce the resources spent and utilize existing applications to realize efficiencies and cost savings, as recommended by the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) (see A/64/166) and endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 64/230. After broad consultations and intensive preparations, a global evaluation team consisting of representatives from substantive and information technology areas in the four duty stations had reviewed the existing document planning and processing systems and had sent a report to the Information Technology Governance Board for its consideration and recommendations.
- 34. The strategy of integrated global management had evolved to forge a single entity out of multiple parts operating in unison, and some dimension of global management was implicit in all the topics being considered by the Committee. However, progress in implementation, while significant, had remained slow. The main reason was that integrated global management had until now been premised on a fully voluntary and collaborative approach. Exercising a more robust approach was rendered difficult by the simple fact that the conference management units at the various duty stations did not report to the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management, but rather to their respective Directors-General. The Under-Secretary-General, while accountable for the disbursement of resources under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, of the programme budget, did not have corresponding authority in the management and disbursement of financial and human resources.

Discussion

35. Several delegations noted that the voluntary nature and the lack of clarity regarding accountability and authority in the discussion of integrated global management was a recurring theme. They wondered why the current decentralized structure of the Department had been established and whether there had been any

instances in which initiatives had failed because accountability and authority had not been consolidated. It was also unclear whether offices away from Headquarters experienced a lack of accountability in their day-to-day reporting lines. It would also be interesting to know whether any savings had been realized from integrated global management.

36. A representative of the Secretariat said that in 1997, when the Secretary-General undertook a reform of the United Nations, the original idea had been to have similar policies in the area of conference services and to pool resources across duty stations. The concept of integrated global management had subsequently taken hold, to the extent that all conference-servicing resources had been placed in one budget section. However, the Secretary-General's bulletins on the organization of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management and the conference services at other duty stations had not recognized that fact. The bulletins governing Geneva, Vienna and Nairobi were in the process of being updated to reflect the current reality. While originally it had been considered that managing the Department directly from Headquarters would be unwieldy because of distance and the varying nature of the work at each duty station, some centralization had always existed. For instance, the Office of Human Resources Management at Headquarters administered the language examinations for all duty stations to ensure overall consistency in the quality of staff. The duty stations had used four different systems for statistics and reporting, but questions from Member States regarding differences in those areas had led to increasing degrees of harmonization and standardization. The purpose of the integrated global management of conference services was not to micromanage from New York, but to ensure the best use of available resources. Regarding savings realized, there were many benefits to standardizing processes across duty stations, but they did not necessarily include savings. Furthermore, it was difficult to quantify the results of the actions taken to streamline and harmonize processes.

37. One delegation asked if the fundamental review of systems and processes across duty stations being conducted by the Department might result in a proposal for a reform of the budget structure and whether it would be preferable to dissolve section 2 of the budget or to maintain the current structure. Another delegation asked if any review of that structure had been conducted over the past 10 years. A representative of the Secretariat responded that the dissolution of section 2 was not advocated, but its structure could be made more logical. For example, pursuant to the recommendation of OIOS, the library at the United Nations Office at Geneva, a large, stand-alone unit with no connection to conference management, had been moved out of that section. On the other hand, the library at the United Nations Office at Vienna, a small unit thoroughly integrated in the terminology and reference component of the document chain, should remain in that budget section. No integrated review of its structure had been conducted.

Chapter VI

Documentation and publication-related matters

Introduction and overview

38. At its 507th meeting, on 30 August 2010, the Committee on Conferences considered section IV of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences, concerning matters related to documentation and publication (see A/65/122, paras. 35-47 and annexes VII and VIII) and the internal printing of parliamentary documents (para. 48 and annex IX). Significant progress had been made in ensuring the timely submission and issuance of documents in New York in a timely manner, including for the Fifth Committee. A decision had been taken to formally implement proactive documents management, namely the slotting system, at all four duty stations, on the basis of the positive results achieved at Headquarters. Late submission of documents and inputs by Member States, however, was impeding further improvement of the timely availability of documents.

Discussion

- 39. A number of delegations sought clarification on the proposed recommendation to the General Assembly contained in paragraph 40 of the report of the Secretary-General and requested further information on the measures taken since February 2010 to improve the timely submission of documents. It was suggested that a system of alerts to signal the late status of any slotted documents would help management identify potential problems and take action where needed. A more detailed explanation was requested for the problems encountered regarding the processing of documents for the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. Delegations also wished to know what steps had been taken to address the poor ratings observed in the client satisfaction e-survey referred to in annex VI of the report of the Secretary-General.
- 40. Additional information was requested on the pilot project for slotting reports to be considered by the Security Council. A comprehensive update was also requested on the implementation of all the recommendations made by OIOS (see A/64/166). Several delegations requested further details on the measurement of document length in words rather than in pages, including the merits thereof.
- 41. A representative of the Secretariat said that, in addition to the mechanisms of accountability outlined in the Secretary-General's report, submitting departments received reminders on a weekly basis to submit pending documents in a timely fashion and the secretaries and bureaux of bodies awaiting documentation were kept informed of the status of their documentation and given the opportunity to provide feedback on timely submission prior to the beginning of a session. The interdepartmental task force on documentation for the Fifth Committee also continued to hold meetings. Late submissions by Member States were a recurrent issue and directly influenced the performance rates of the Secretariat since a considerable number of reports by the Secretary-General were, in fact, compilations of inputs from Member States or straight submissions by Member States. The list of departments that had consistently failed to achieve the benchmark of 90 per cent timely submission was provided in writing.

- 42. Regarding the rating of "poor" (6 per cent of participants) received through the e-survey of conference services provided by the Department, the Committee was informed that steps planned or already taken to remedy problems relating to access to the meetings calendar, the electronic board and the *Journal of the United Nations* included placing a direct link to the meetings calendar in e-Meets 2.0 and improving the user-friendliness and availability of the *Journal* through Google, Twitter and Facebook. Additional suggestions from Member States would be welcome.
- 43. While most reports to be considered by the Security Council were highly unpredictable in terms of submission time frames, a recent analysis had shown that a considerable number were recurrent in nature and could, as such, be considered candidates for the slotting system, thus ensuring that they would become available to Member States in a more timely fashion, and thus enhance predictability for planning purposes. The pilot project had only just begun and the Department was working closely with the Security Council secretariat to ensure its success.
- 44. Shifting from page limits to word counts would help to eliminate confusion by establishing one standard for the length of documents to be submitted and processed. Based on the standard of approximately 530 words per page, 16-page reports were considered equivalent to 8,500 words, 20-page reports to 10,700 words and 32-page reports to 17,000 words.
- 45. The Committee agreed to change the method used to determine the length of documents from page count to word count, as proposed by the Secretary-General, without prejudice to any of the six official languages. Explanations and reassurances were provided about the margins of flexibility that would be given to languages other than English on the basis of statistical trends.
- 46. The Committee discussed the proposals contained in paragraphs 46 and 47 of the report and in paragraphs 12 and 13 of annex VIII to the report, which the Committee found to be divergent. Following the explanations given by the Secretariat, the Committee decided not to endorse the recommendation by which the desirable limit of 32 pages (approximately 17,000 words) for documents emanating from intergovernmental bodies would be replaced by a limit of 10,700 words (or 20 pages).

Chapter VII

Translation and interpretation-related matters

Introduction and overview

- 47. At its 506th and 508th meetings, on 30 August and 1 September 2010, the Committee on Conferences considered section V of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences, concerning matters related to translation and interpretation (A/65/122), including succession planning (paras. 49 and 50), quality control of contractual translation (paras. 51-60), the impact of freelance recruitment on the quality of interpretation (para. 61), the financial and administrative implications of raising or waiving the mandatory age of separation for language staff (interpreters, translators/précis-writers, editors, verbatim reporters and proofreaders/copy preparers) (paras. 62-69) and specific challenges faced by the United Nations Office at Nairobi (paras. 70-75). In the light of the acute demographic transition in the language services expected to take place in the next five years, the Department had begun implementing a proactive succession planning programme, which focused on outreach to universities and streamlining of competitive examinations for language services. Despite a largely inadequate budget allocation for training resources, the Department had made every effort to maintain language-related services. The present arrangement was not sustainable, however, and the Department would need permanent and dedicated capacity to conduct, coordinate and monitor training and outreach activities effectively in the future. Flexibility in applying the mandatory age of retirement for language staff would also ease the demographic transition.
- 48. While the quality of freelance interpreters had generally been adequate, there were real challenges related to the availability of interpretation services at short notice, the fierce global competition for such resources, which were scarce, and the fact that the conditions of employment for interpreters at the United Nations were not as competitive as those offered by other institutions. All four duty stations had made efforts to increase the share of translation done contractually without sacrificing the requisite quality of the documents processed. The United Nations Office at Vienna, which had historically lacked established capacity to monitor and control the quality of the large proportion of documentation processed externally, would soon benefit from the reclassification of posts to the senior reviser (P-5) level, a change which had been supported by the General Assembly; it was expected that the increase in staff costs would be offset by the savings arising from a higher number of pages translated contractually. Such was not the case at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, unfortunately, where the high percentage of outsourced translation called for more robust quality assurance. Other challenges faced in Nairobi related to the significant increase in the number of meetings held at the renovated conference facilities and the continued difficulty in attracting and retaining high-quality interpreters and translators. It was thus proposed that six interpreter and six senior reviser posts should be upgraded from the P-4 to the P-5 level.
- 49. Representatives of conference services at the United Nations Offices at Geneva, Vienna and Nairobi participated via videoconference in the 508th meeting of the Committee on 1 September and discussed the theme of outreach, including training and internships. Memorandums of understanding signed with universities facilitated cooperation and helped programmes in interpretation and translation to

gear their training towards the needs of employers such as the United Nations. Fourteen universities had already signed memorandums of understanding with the United Nations, with three more Arabic-language universities to follow suit before the end of 2010. The Department had entered into an official relationship with universities covering all six official languages. The language internship programme launched by the Department in cooperation with the Office of Human Resources Management in the summer of 2009 had been expanded in 2010 to other language occupations and duty stations.

50. There were, however, no dedicated staff resources for outreach activities. Staff members were reallocated from other activities, sometimes combining outreach visits with home leave or personal travel, for example. Furthermore, the position of Training and Coordination Officer created at Headquarters was not an established post, and the lack of dedicated resources was limiting the scope of possible activities.

Geneva

51. The Director of the Division of Conference Management at the United Nations Office at Geneva said that the Division had made outreach activities an important objective in its work programme, given the urgency of finding replacements for the large number of retiring language staff (69 between 2010 and 2015). The Division had welcomed 14 interns from six different academic institutions thus far in 2010.

Vienna

52. A special feature in Vienna had been the use of "traineeship" arrangements, in which young language professionals who had not yet passed competitive examinations were hired at a modest salary to work on site, thus benefiting from close mentoring while contributing to the output of the language services. Student internships also continued to be offered. In addition, a varied programme of training to upgrade the substantive knowledge and technical skills of staff was offered. Nevertheless, to meet staff development needs in the interest of long-term quality and performance, more training funds were needed.

Nairobi

53. Through the collective efforts of the Department, the high vacancy rates traditionally experienced at Nairobi had improved significantly; outreach, training and internships were very important in ensuring that the pool of possible future qualified language staff was broadened. With that in mind, the "Africa project" had been initiated, with the aim of building up conference-servicing capacity within African countries, particularly in the areas of translation and interpretation. The Department, through its Division in Nairobi, had taken the lead. The African Development Bank had begun a feasibility study to seek financial support to implement training programmes in Africa. The University of Nairobi had introduced a master's programme in translation and interpretation in Arabic, English, French and Kiswahili, and the European Union and various European universities with established language programmes were supporting that pilot programme. Universities in Mozambique and South Africa would soon begin programmes as well, and similar efforts were under way in Cameroon, Egypt and Senegal. With the continued support of the Department, the European Union and the African

Development Bank, in a few years it would be possible that qualified interpreters and translators from African countries would be working in Africa as well as in other regions of the world.

Discussion

- 54. The German Translation Service at Headquarters was commended for the excellent services it provided to Member States. The Committee expressed interest in the outreach programme to universities, including the signing of a number of memorandums of understanding. Additional information was provided, including a list of the universities involved thus far and the model memorandum of understanding. Interest was also expressed in the Department's efforts to streamline the competitive examinations for language services. Concern was expressed at the lack of effective roster management across duty stations. Clarification was requested on the measures taken to harmonize procedures for the different competitive examinations used to select staff. It was suggested that the Department should seek funding for interns, including through private institutions, in order to give students a further incentive to apply for internships with the United Nations.
- 55. A representative of the Secretariat said that the memorandums of understanding signed with universities provided, inter alia, pedagogical assistance in order to prepare students for language competitive examinations. Participating universities are required to meet a number of criteria determined by a steering group established for that purpose. Competitive examinations for language services did not take into account either gender or nationality, but focused solely on specialized language skills. Examination venues were decided on the basis of the location of applicants, who had to pay their own way to sit the examinations, but were not targeted at specific regions. A recently designed outreach portal on language career opportunities at the United Nations and the memorandums of understanding were expected to improve visibility for the examinations. As regards the streamlining of the competitive examinations, a consultant had been hired to make specific recommendations, and a panel of experts had been established to take action on them. Given that the Department was carrying out the bulk of its outreach activities without dedicated resources, it was difficult to envisage contacting United Nations agencies and private institutions to seek funding for interns, but it was an interesting suggestion that could be reviewed should the Department receive additional funding in future.
- 56. Members of the Committee were informed that translations processed through contractual translations in New York in the first seven months of 2010 accounted for 27 per cent of the total compared with 25 per cent in 2008. In Vienna, the proportion had increased to 30 per cent, compared to 25 per cent for the same period of 2009, and in Geneva the level had remained above 20 per cent in 2009 and 2010. Quality control of contractual translation was performed by senior revisers at the P-5 level. In order to ensure the availability of staff at the required level, five posts in Vienna had been upgraded in the current biennium. A system of more consistent quality checks in all duty stations had assisted in monitoring and improving output quality.
- 57. More information was requested about the budgetary impact of the reclassification of posts for quality control in Vienna. It was noted that quality control must be a function performed in-house by senior staff, and the Committee

asked whether freelance staff fulfilled that role at any duty station. An analysis of the unit cost of internal versus external processing was requested.

- 58. A representative of the Secretariat explained that the reclassification of posts for quality control in Vienna had been requested during the previous budget cycle but that it had not been approved until the current biennium. The cost savings from the increased use of contractual processing was expected to offset the cost of the post upgrades. In addition to carrying out quality control functions, senior revisers assisted with training and terminology. It was generally recognized that a maximum level for contractual processing would be reached beyond which the achievement of quality benchmarks for United Nations documentation, which remained the top priority, would be compromised. The Department was in the processes of analysing its costing methodologies and establishing globally standardized performance indicators and costing models, as requested by the General Assembly in its resolution 64/243.
- 59. In recent years, the Department had argued that flexibility in applying the mandatory age of retirement for language staff would ease the demographic transition. Several delegations expressed the view that the Department should have acted earlier to address the increase in retirements currently anticipated, which were predictable. Others felt that the statistics on forthcoming retirements did not bear out the sense of urgency accorded to the situation. Information was requested on the basis for the current retirement age and the practice in comparator organizations. One delegation wondered how many language staff would actually agree to stay on. Another delegation expressed dismay at the statement in paragraph 68 of the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/65/122) that "the proposal to raise the mandatory separation age for language staff would not have any adverse impact" on the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund. Several delegations expressed reluctance to consider raising the mandatory retirement age for just one category of staff, noting that, in any case, the issue would require thorough discussion in the General Assembly and the International Civil Service Commission.
- 60. A representative of the Secretariat said that the Department had been addressing the issue of anticipated retirements in the context of its succession planning efforts for the past four years. The representative of the Secretariat stated the view that raising the retirement age would provide more stability in the staffing table and ensure the availability of senior staff for the training of new staff members.

Special challenges faced by the United Nations Office at Nairobi

- 61. Clarification was sought as to the reasons for the scarcity of qualified translators and interpreters at the United Nations Office at Nairobi and the steps taken thus far to address such challenges. A delegation asked for an explanation why the Department had not requested the proposed upgrade of posts from the P-4 to the P-5 level during the previous year's budgetary negotiations. A more specific and feasible recommendation to Member States regarding the proposed upgrade was requested, as was clarification on whether the upgrade, if agreed to, would have programme budget implications.
- 62. An update on the implementation of the Africa project was needed, including action taken thus far by the African Development Bank and any other international

partners. A specific recommendation to Member States regarding how they might support the project was requested.

- 63. A representative of the Secretariat said that in order to improve the vacancy rates, the chiefs of translation and interpretation services at Nairobi had gone to great lengths to reach out personally to language professionals. Efforts were also being made to change the perception of Nairobi as a less desirable duty station. Eleven-month contracts had been given to interpreters who had not yet passed the competitive examination but who had worked at the Office at Nairobi for years and were known to be reliable. It was difficult to attract interns to Nairobi not only because they were required to be enrolled in a master's programme, which were not widespread in Africa, but also because they were not paid, except for a modest travel allowance.
- 64. The proposed recommendation to reclassify a number of P-4 posts to the P-5 level in Nairobi was necessary not only to adequately reflect the principle of equal grade for equal work, but also to ensure quality control for the high percentage of contractual translation produced by that Office. The proposed upgrade would also have a positive impact on the ability to attract and retain staff at Nairobi. The Department had decided during the previous year's budgetary negotiations to request the conversion of several extrabudgetary posts to regular budget posts rather than to upgrade posts because of what it had perceived to be longer-term benefits. It was nevertheless of the utmost importance to address the remaining discrepancies among duty stations. Upon further clarification, the Secretariat explained that it intended to address the matter formally in the normal course of the budget cycle for 2012-2013, and sought the support of the Committee in that regard.
- 65. The Department took into account all staffing-related matters and had adopted an incremental approach to advocating such changes. It would take the matter up in the context of the budget submission for the biennium 2012-2013.
- 66. The start of the Africa project had been delayed because the African Development Bank had not completed the feasibility study. It was expected that the graduates of the relevant programmes, if successful in the competitive examinations, would be recruited immediately. The mobilization by the United Nations Office at Nairobi of additional resources for the project would be difficult, as the Office had no capacity to devote to fund-raising.
- 67. One delegation raised the issue of the translation of the consolidated lists of individuals and entities subject to sanctions according to the Sanctions Committees of the Security Council, which had not been translated into all the official languages. Explanations were requested as to why this was the case. Some doubts were raised regarding the competency of the Committee on Conferences to address this issue. Consideration was given to the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council and to the terms of reference of the Committee on Conferences.

Annex I

Draft resolution

The Committee on Conferences recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Pattern of conferences

The General Assembly,

Recalling its relevant resolutions, including resolutions 40/243 of 18 December 1985, 41/213 of 19 December 1986, 43/222 A to E of 21 December 1988, 51/211 A to E of 18 December 1996, 52/214 of 22 December 1997, 53/208 A to E of 18 December 1998, 54/248 of 23 December 1999, 55/222 of 23 December 2000, 56/242 of 24 December 2001, 56/254 D of 27 March 2002, 56/262 of 15 February 2002, 56/287 of 27 June 2002, 57/283 A of 20 December 2002, 57/283 B of 15 April 2003, 58/250 of 23 December 2003, 59/265 of 23 December 2004, 60/236 A of 23 December 2005, 60/236 B of 8 May 2006, 61/236 of 22 December 2006, 62/225 of 22 December 2007, 63/248 of 24 December 2008, 63/284 of 30 June 2009 and 64/230 of 22 December 2009.

Reaffirming its resolution 42/207 C of 11 December 1987, in which it requested the Secretary-General to ensure the equal treatment of the official languages of the United Nations,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Conferences for 2010, the relevant report of the Secretary-General, 2

Reaffirming the provisions relating to conference services in its resolutions on multilingualism, in particular resolution 63/306 of 9 September 2009,

I. Calendar of conferences and meetings

- 1. Approves the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 2011, as submitted by the Committee on Conferences,³ taking into account the observations of the Committee and subject to the provisions of the present resolution;
- 2. Authorizes the Committee on Conferences to make any adjustments to the calendar of conferences and meetings for 2011 that may become necessary as a result of actions and decisions taken by the General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session;
- 3. Notes with satisfaction that the Secretariat has taken into account the arrangements referred to in General Assembly resolutions 53/208 A, 54/248, 55/222, 56/242, 57/283 B, 58/250, 59/265, 60/236 A, 61/236, 62/225 and 63/248 concerning Orthodox Good Friday and the official holidays of Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha, and

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 $^{^{1} \}textit{ Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 32 (A/65/32).}$

² A/65/122

³ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 32 (A/65/32), annex II.

requests all intergovernmental bodies to observe those decisions when planning their meetings;

- 4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that any modification to the calendar of conferences and meetings is implemented strictly in accordance with the mandate of the Committee on Conferences and other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;
- 5. *Notes* that accurate, timely and consistent information provided to the Fifth Committee during its informal consultations facilitates the decision-making process in the Committee;

II.

A. Utilization of conference-servicing resources

- 1. *Reaffirms* the practice that, in the use of conference rooms, priority must be given to the meetings of Member States;
- 2. *Notes* that the overall utilization factor at the four main duty stations in 2009 was 86 per cent as compared with 85 per cent in 2008 and 83 per cent in 2007, which is above the established benchmark of 80 per cent;
- 3. Welcomes the steps taken by those bodies that have adjusted their programmes of work in order to achieve the optimum utilization of conference-servicing resources, and requests the Committee on Conferences to continue consultations with the secretariats and bureaux of bodies that underutilize their conference-servicing resources;
- 4. *Recognizes* that late starts and unplanned early endings seriously affect the bodies' utilization factor owing to the amount of time lost, and invites the secretariats and bureaux of bodies to pay adequate attention to avoiding late starts and unplanned early endings;
- 5. *Notes* that the percentage of meetings held by the bodies entitled to meet "as required" that were provided with interpretation services in New York in 2009 was 95 per cent, as compared with 90 per cent in 2008, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to report on the provision of conference services to these bodies through the Committee on Conferences;
- 6. *Urges* intergovernmental bodies to review their meeting entitlements and to plan and adjust their programmes of work based on the actual utilization of conference-servicing resources in order to improve their efficient use of conference services;
- 7. Recognizes the importance of meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States for the smooth functioning of the sessions of intergovernmental bodies, requests the Secretary-General to ensure that, as far as possible, all requests for conference services for the meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States are met, and requests the Secretariat to inform the requesters as early as possible about the availability of conference services, including interpretation, as well as about any changes that might occur before the meeting;
- 8. *Notes* that the percentage of meetings held by regional and other major groupings of Member States that were provided with interpretation services at the

four main duty stations was 79 per cent in 2009 as compared to 77 per cent in 2008, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to employ innovative means to address the difficulties experienced by Member States owing to the lack of conference services for some meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States and to report thereon to the General Assembly through the Committee on Conferences:

- 9. Once again urges intergovernmental bodies to spare no effort at the planning stage to take into account the meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States, to make provision for such meetings in their programmes of work and to notify conference services, well in advance, of any cancellations so that unutilized conference-servicing resources may, to the extent possible, be reassigned to meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States:
- 10. Notes with satisfaction that, in accordance with several resolutions of the General Assembly, including resolution 64/230, section II.A, paragraph 9, in conformity with the headquarters rule, all meetings of Nairobi-based United Nations bodies were held in Nairobi in 2009, and requests the Secretary-General to report thereon to the Assembly at its sixty-sixth session through the Committee on Conferences;
- 11. *Notes* that ongoing promotional efforts and initiatives undertaken by the management of the conference centre of the Economic Commission for Africa led to a sustained trend in utilization of the premises in 2009;
- 12. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to explore means to increase the utilization of the conference centre of the Economic Commission for Africa, bearing in mind the headquarters minimum operating security standards, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session;
- 13. Calls upon the Secretary-General and Member States to adhere to the guidelines and procedures contained in the administrative instruction for the authorization of the use of United Nations premises for meetings, conferences, special events and exhibits;⁴
- 14. *Emphasizes* that such meetings, conferences, special events and exhibits must be consistent with the purposes and principles of the United Nations;

B. Impact of the capital master plan, strategy IV (phased approach), on meetings held at Headquarters during its implementation

- 1. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the implementation of the capital master plan, including the temporary relocation of conference-servicing staff to a swing space, will not compromise the quality of conference services provided to Member States in the six official languages and the equal treatment of the language services, which should be provided with equally favourable working conditions and resources, with a view to receiving the maximum quality of services;
- 2. Requests all meeting requesters and organizers to liaise closely with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management of the Secretariat

⁴ ST/AI/416.

on all matters related to the scheduling of meetings to allow maximum predictability in coordinating activities at Headquarters during the construction period;

- 3. Requests the Committee on Conferences to keep the matter under constant review, and requests the Secretary-General to report regularly to the Committee on matters pertaining to the calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations during the construction period;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide adequate information technology support for conference services, within the existing resources of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, in order to ensure their seamless operation throughout the implementation of the capital master plan;
- 5. Notes that, for the duration of the implementation of the capital master plan, a part of the conference-servicing staff and information technology resources of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management has been temporarily relocated to a swing space, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide adequate support, within the existing resources of the Department, to ensure continued maintenance of the information technology facilities of the Department, implementation of the global information technology initiative and delivery of quality conference services;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to consult Member States on initiatives that affect the utilization of conference services and conference facilities;

III.

Integrated global management

- 1. Notes the progress achieved in the implementation of the global information technology project, aimed at integrating, across duty stations, information technology into meetings management and documentation-processing systems, and the global approach to harmonizing standards and information technology and sharing good practices and technological achievements among conference services at the four main duty stations;
- 2. Notes with appreciation the in-house efforts of the Secretary-General to improve the utilization of conference services, in particular through the implementation of the project on, inter alia, the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (e-Meets) and the interpreters assignment programme (e-APG module) (project 2), and requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly on other efforts to that end at its sixty-sixth session;
- 3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the project on global documentation management (project 3), and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session;
- 4. *Notes* the initiatives undertaken in the context of integrated global management aimed at streamlining procedures, achieving economies of scale and improving the quality of conference services, and in this regard stresses the importance of ensuring equal treatment of conference-servicing staff as well as the principle of equal grade for equal work at the four main duty stations;
- 5. *Emphasizes* that the major goals of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management are to provide high-quality documents in a timely

manner in all official languages in accordance with established regulations, as well as high-quality conference services to Member States at all duty stations, and to achieve those aims as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;

- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that all language services are given equal treatment and are provided with equally favourable working conditions and resources, with a view to achieving the maximum quality of services, with full respect for the specificities of the six official languages and taking into account their respective workloads;
- 7. Reiterates the need for the Secretary-General to ensure the compatibility of technologies used in all duty stations and to ensure that they are user-friendly in all official languages;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to complete the task of uploading all important older United Nations documents onto the United Nations website in all six official languages on a priority basis, so that these archives are also available to Member States through that medium;
- 9. *Reiterates* that the satisfaction of Member States is a key performance indicator in conference management and conference services;
- 10. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that measures taken by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management to seek the evaluation by Member States of the quality of the conference services provided to them, as a key performance indicator of the Department, provide equal opportunities to Member States to present their evaluations in the six official languages of the United Nations and are in full compliance with relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, and requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly, through the Committee on Conferences, on progress made in this regard;
- 11. Also requests the Secretary-General to continue to explore best practices and techniques in client satisfaction evaluations and to report on a regular basis to the General Assembly on the results achieved;
- 12. Welcomes the efforts made by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management to seek the evaluation by Member States of the quality of the conference services provided to them, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to explore innovative ways to systematically capture and analyse feedback from Member States and committee chairs and secretaries on the quality of conference services and to report thereon to the General Assembly through the Committee on Conferences;
- 13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly apprised of progress made in integrated global management;
- 14. Notes with concern that the Secretary-General did not include in his report on the pattern of conferences² information about the financial savings achieved through implementation of the integrated global management projects as requested in section III, paragraph 4, of its resolution 63/248, and in section III, paragraph 12, of its resolution 64/230, and reiterates its requests to the Secretary-General to redouble his efforts to include this information in his next report on the pattern of conferences;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to assess the efficiency and accountability mechanisms of conference management across the four duty stations and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session;

IV.

Documentation and publication-related matters

- 1. *Emphasizes* the paramount importance of the equality of the six official languages of the United Nations;
- 2. Reaffirms its decision in resolution 64/230 that all reports adopted by the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review of the Human Rights Council shall be issued as documents in all official languages of the United Nations in a timely manner before their consideration by the Council, in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 36/117 A of 10 December 1981, 51/211 A to E, 52/214, 53/208 A to E and 59/265, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure the support necessary to that effect;
- 3. *Reiterates* the importance of the timely issuance of documents for the Fifth Committee;
- 4. Reiterates with concern its request to the Secretary-General to ensure that the rules concerning the simultaneous distribution of documents in all six official languages are strictly respected as regards both the distribution of printed copies and the posting of parliamentary documentation on the Official Document System and the United Nations website, in keeping with section III, paragraph 5, of its resolution 55/222;
- 5. *Reaffirms* that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters;
- 6. *Stresses* that matters related to conference management, including documentation, fall within the purview of the Fifth Committee;
- 7. Reaffirms its decision in section III, paragraph 9, of its resolution 59/265 that the issuance of documents in all six official languages on planning, budgetary and administrative matters requiring urgent consideration by the General Assembly shall be accorded priority;
- 8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to direct all departments of the Secretariat to include the following elements in their reports:
 - (a) Summary of the report;
 - (b) Consolidated conclusions, recommendations and other proposed actions;
 - (c) Relevant background information;
- 9. Reiterates its request that all documents submitted to legislative organs by the Secretariat and intergovernmental and expert bodies for consideration and action have conclusions and recommendations in bold print;
- 10. Notes with satisfaction that all documents submitted on time and within the word limit were processed by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management within four weeks and encourages the Secretary-General to sustain that level of performance;

- 11. Acknowledges that a multipronged approach is required to find a solution to the perennial difficulties of the late issuance of documents for the Fifth Committee:
- 12. *Recognizes* the work done by the task force chaired by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management in positively addressing the problem of issuance of documents for the Fifth Committee;
- 13. *Encourages* the Chairs of the Fifth Committee and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to continue to promote cooperation between the two bodies in the sphere of documentation;
- 14. *Welcomes* the continued efforts of the task force to shepherd the submission of documents by the author departments of the Secretariat;
- 15. *Urges* author departments to fully adhere to deadlines in meeting the 90 per cent submission compliance, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that documents submitted late do not adversely affect the issuance of documents submitted on time and in compliance with set guidelines;
- 16. *Reaffirms* its resolutions 36/117 A, 51/211 A to E, 52/214, 53/208 A to E and 59/265 on page limits and guidelines on the length of documents, and decides to shift the measurement of the length of documents to word count rather than page count, without prejudice to any of the six official languages of the United Nations;
- 17. Requests the Secretary-General to provide, in his next report on the pattern of conferences, further information on the waiver process for documents submitted over the word limits and/or not in compliance with the guidelines for the reports of the Secretariat, intergovernmental bodies and subsidiary organs, respectively, established by the General Assembly, including the criteria for issuing waivers and their application during the past three years;

V. Translation and interpretation-related matters

- 1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to redouble his efforts to ensure the highest quality of interpretation and translation services in all six official languages;
- 2. Also requests the Secretary-General to continue to seek evaluation by Member States of the quality of the conference services provided to them, including through the language-specific informational meetings held twice a year, and to ensure that such measures provide equal opportunities to Member States to present their evaluations in the six official languages of the United Nations and that they are in full compliance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;
- 3. Reiterates its request that the Secretary-General ensure that the terminology used in the translation and interpretation services reflects the latest linguistic norms and terminology of the official languages in order to ensure the highest quality;
- 4. Reaffirms section V, paragraph 3, of its resolution 61/236, section V, paragraph 3, of its resolution 62/225, section V, paragraph 5, of its resolution 63/248, and section V, paragraph 4, of its resolution 64/230, and reiterates its request that the Secretary-General, when recruiting temporary assistance in the language services, ensure that all language services are given equal treatment and

are provided with equally favourable working conditions and resources, with a view to achieving maximum quality of their services, with full respect for the specificities of each of the six official languages and taking into account their respective workloads;

- 5. Notes with appreciation the measures taken by the Secretariat to fill current vacancies in language services at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, and reiterates its request to the Secretary-General to consider further measures aimed at decreasing the vacancy rates in Nairobi and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to hold competitive examinations for the recruitment of language staff sufficiently in advance in order to fill current and future vacancies in language services in a timely manner, and to inform the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session of efforts in this regard;
- 7. Also requests the Secretary-General to continue to improve the quality of translation of documents into the six official languages, giving particular significance to the accuracy of translation;
- 8. Further requests the Secretary-General to increase the proportion of translation done contractually with a view to achieving, inter alia, further efficiencies where this mode of delivery yields a final product that is of comparable quality to in-house translation, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session;
- 9. Reiterates its request to the Secretary-General to provide, at all duty stations, adequate staff at the appropriate level, with a view to ensuring appropriate quality control for external translation, with due consideration of the principle of equal grade for equal work;
- 10. Recalls paragraphs 70 through 74 of the report of the Secretary General,² and requests the Secretary-General to implement the reclassification proposed in paragraph 75, in the context of the proposed programme budget for 2012-2013;
- 11. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session on the experience, lessons learned and best practices of the main duty stations in performing quality control of contractual translations, including on requirements relating to the number and appropriate level of the staff needed to carry out this function;
- 12. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to establish globally standardized performance indicators and costing models aimed at enhancing a more cost-effective strategy for the in-house processing of documents, and requests the Secretary-General to present such information to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session:
- 13. Notes with appreciation the measures taken by the Secretary-General, in accordance with its resolutions, to address, inter alia, the issue of the replacement of retiring staff in the language services, and requests the Secretary-General to maintain and intensify those efforts, including the strengthening of cooperation with institutions that train language specialists in order to meet needs in the six official languages of the United Nations;

- 14. *Notes* in this regard that memorandums of understanding have not been signed with such language institutions in all geographical regions, particularly in Africa and Latin America, and requests the Secretary-General to increase his efforts to promote outreach programmes, including through internships, to language institutions in all regions and to introduce innovative methods to increase awareness of the programmes;
- 15. Requests the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, in cooperation with the Office of Human Resources Management, to increase its efforts to raise awareness among all Member States about opportunities for employment and internships in language services in the four duty stations of the United Nations;
- 16. Notes with appreciation the positive experience with traineeships at the United Nations Office at Vienna in training and attracting young professionals to the translation and interpretation services of the United Nations, and requests the Secretary-General to further develop the initiative and consider extending it to all duty stations, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session;
- 17. *Notes* that the consolidated lists of individuals and entities subject to sanctions, according to the sanctions committees of the Security Council, have not been translated into all six official languages, and recommends that the Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions of the Security Council look into the practices related to the issuance of these consolidated lists, including their translation.

Annex II

Draft revised 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 2011

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
 IMO International Maritime Organization
 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

UN-Habitat United Nations Human Settlements Programme

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

UNWTO United Nations World Tourism Organization

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 revised calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations, 2011 (as at 5 August 2010)

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location	Membership	Servi	cinga		Periodicity
1.	Military Staff Committee [Charter]	7 January, once every fortnight thereafter	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	Т	PV	Every second Friday
2.	Intergovernmental preparatory committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries [General Assembly resolutions 63/227 and 64/213]	10-14 January	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	
3.	Open-ended meeting of governmental experts to address key implementation issues and themes, including international cooperation and assistance [General Assembly resolution 63/72]	10-14 January	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
4.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention [General Assembly resolutions 55/70 and 62/218]	11-14 January	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	Т	_	Three session per year
5.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, election of Bureau [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162 and Economic and Social Council decision 2007/221]	12 January	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
6.	Human Rights Council, high-level task force on the implementation of the right to development, seventh session [Human Rights Council resolution 9/3]	13-21 January	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
7.	WFP, Executive Board, first regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] ^b	14-18 January	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
8.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review, tenth session [Human Rights Council decision 1/103 and resolution 5/1]	17-28 January	Geneva	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
9.	Working Group on reimbursement of contingent-owned equipment [General Assembly resolution 59/298] ^b	17-28 January	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
10.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, forty-eighth session [General Assembly resolutions 34/180 and 62/218]	17 January- 4 February	Geneva	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
11.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, fifty-sixth session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211]	17 January- 4 February	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
12.	Economic and Social Council, election of Bureau [Charter]	20 January	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	

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13.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget, fifty-eighth session (programme budget) [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	24-28 January (up to 3 days)	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
14.	United Nations Forum on Forests, ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/49]	24 January- 4 February	New York	195 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
15.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolutions 14 (I), 173 (II), 32/103 and 64/243]	25 January- 29 April	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
16.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, first regular session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	31 January- 3 February	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
17.	Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, sixth session [Human Rights Council resolution 5/1]	31 January- 4 February	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
18.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Situations, seventh session [Human Rights Council resolution 5/1]	31 January- 4 February	Geneva	5 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
19.	International Narcotics Control Board, one hundredth session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	31 January- 4 February	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
20.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, regular session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV) and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/297]	31 January- 9 February	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
21.	Conference on Disarmament, first part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	January-March (10 weeks)	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
22.	Committee for the United Nations Population Award [General Assembly resolution 36/201]	2 February	New York	10 G	I (EFS)	T	_	
23.	Joint Meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP [General Assembly resolution 52/12 B]	4 and 7 February	New York	36 G/ 36 G/36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
24.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 45/124, 47/94 and 62/218]	7-11 February	Geneva	4 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
25.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group, fifty-seventh session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211]	7-11 February	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
26.	Group of governmental experts to review the operation and further development of the Standardized Instrument for Reporting Military Expenditures, second session [General Assembly resolution 62/13]	7-11 February	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
27.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Arbitration, fifty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	7-11 February	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year

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28.	United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations, Board of Trustees, twenty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 40/131]	7-11 February	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
29.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, forty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	7-18 February	Vienna	69 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
30.	UNICEF, Executive Board, first regular session [General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 57 (I)]	8-11 February	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
31.	Commission for Social Development, forty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 10 (II), 1139 (XLI) and 1996/7]	9-18 February	New York	46 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
32.	United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, Board of Trustees, thirty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 36/151]	14-18 February	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
33.	Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, Board of Trustees, thirty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/283]	14-18 February	Geneva	5 E	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
34.	UNCCD, Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention, ninth session [General Assembly resolution 62/193]	14-25 February	To be determined	185 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
35.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, seventy-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	14 February- 11 March	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
36.	Independent Audit Advisory Committee, thirteenth session [General Assembly resolution 61/275]	15-17 February	New York	5 E	I (ER)	T	_	Four sessions per year
37.	Economic and Social Council, organizational session [Charter]	15-18 February	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
38.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat, fortieth meeting [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	16 February	Nairobi	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
39.	Committee against Torture, Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, thirteenth session [Part I, article 2, of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and report of the Human Rights Council (A/61/53)]	21-25 February	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	Т	SR	Three sessions per year
40.	UNEP, Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum, twenty-sixth session [General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII), 42/185 and 53/242]	21-25 February	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One regular session and one special session alternately every year

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41.	Statistical Commission, forty-second session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/8]	22-25 February	New York	24 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
42.	Commission on the Status of Women, fifty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1999/257]	22 February- 4 March	New York	45 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
43.	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group [General Assembly resolution 2006 (XIX)]	22 February- 18 March	New York	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
44.	Committee for the United Nations Population Award [General Assembly resolution 36/201]	22 February and 1 March	New York	10 G	I (EFS)	T	_	
45.	Intergovernmental preparatory meeting for the nineteenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development [Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/61]	28 February- 4 March	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
46.	Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty, second session [General Assembly resolutions 63/240 and 64/48]	28 February- 4 March	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
47.	Human Rights Council, sixteenth session [General Assembly resolution 60/251]	28 February- 25 March	Geneva	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	No fewer than three sessions per year
48.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters, fifty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	February (3 days)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
49.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	February (1 day)	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
50.	Open-ended Working Group on an Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child [General Assembly resolution 64/245 and Human Rights Council resolution 11/1]	February (1 week)	Geneva	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T		Two sessions per year
51.	United Nations Seminar on Assistance to the Palestinian People [General Assembly resolutions 64/17 and 64/18]	February (2 days)	To be determined	192 G	To be determined	T	_	
52.	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	28 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
53.	Second meeting of the open-ended Preparatory Committee of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development [General Assembly resolution 64/236]	7-8 March	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
54.	Human Rights Committee, pre-sessional working group on communications, one hundred and first session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	7-11 March	New York	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year

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55.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances, ninety-third session [Human Rights Council resolution 7/12]	14-18 March	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	Т	_	Three sessions per year
56.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Security Interests, nineteenth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	14-18 March	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
57.	Human Rights Committee, one hundred and first session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	14 March-1 April	New York	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
58.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, fifty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	15-24 March	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
59.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives, one hundred and fourteenth meeting [Governing Council decision 19/32]	16 March	Nairobi	e	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
60.	Committee for Development Policy, thirteenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1998/46]	21-25 March	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
61.	ECA, Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, forty-fourth session of the Commission [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	21-25 March	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
62.	ICSC, seventy-second session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	21 March-1 April	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
63.	Human Rights Council, intersessional forum on economic, social and cultural rights (Social Forum), fourth session [Human Rights Council resolution 6/13]	28-30 March (to be confirmed)	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
64.	Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, twenty-seventh session [annex II, article 2 (5), of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea]	28 March-1 April	New York	21 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
65.	Human Rights Council, Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, eleventh session [Human Rights Council resolutions 5/1 and 9/14]	28 March-1 April	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
66.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Legal Subcommittee, fiftieth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 (XIV)]	28 March-8 April	Vienna	69 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
67.	Committee against Torture, forty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 39/46]	28 March-15 April	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
68.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat, extraordinary meeting [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	31 March	Nairobi	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
69.	General Assembly, Fifth Committee, resumed session [Charter]	March (4 weeks)	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	

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70.	United Nations Latin American and Caribbean Meetings on the Question of Palestine [General Assembly resolutions 64/17 and 64/18]	March (3 days)	To be determined	192 G	To be determined	T	_	
71.	ECA, Committee of Experts of the Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, thirtieth meeting [Economic and Social Council resolution 671 (XXV)]	March/April ^f	Addis Ababa	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
72.	ECE, sixty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 36 (IV) and 2006/38]	March/April ^f	Geneva	56 G	I (EFR)	T	_	One session every two years
73.	Committee of Experts on Public Administration, tenth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 2001/45 and 2003/60]	4-8 April	New York	24 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
74.	Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, fourteenth session [General Assembly resolution 45/158]	4-8 April	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
75.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, twelfth session [Human Rights Council resolution 7/21]	4-8 April	Geneva	5 E	I (AERS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
76.	Disarmament Commission [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	4-22 April ^f	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year
77.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), seventy-third session ^b	5-7 April	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
78.	Commission on Population and Development, forty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 150 (VII), 87 (LVII) and 1995/55]	11-15 April	New York	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
79.	Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, fifth session [General Assembly resolution 61/106 and article 34 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities]	11-15 April	Geneva	12 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
80.	Governing Council of UN-Habitat, twenty-third session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/1 and General Assembly resolution 56/206]	11-15 April	Nairobi	58 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
81.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Communications, eighth session [Human Rights Council resolution 5/1]	11-15 April	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
82.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Procurement, twentieth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	11-15 April	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year

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83.	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, twentieth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/1]	11-21 April	Vienna	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year	
84.	Independent Audit Advisory Committee, fourteenth session [General Assembly resolution 61/275]	12-14 April	New York	5 E	I (ER)	T	_	Four sessions per year	
85.	Intergovernmental preparatory committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries [General Assembly resolutions 63/227 and 64/213]	18-25 April ^f	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR		
86.	Committee on Information, thirty-third session [General Assembly resolution 33/115 C]	25 April-6 May	New York	112 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year	
87.	International Law Commission, sixty-third session, first part [General Assembly resolution 174 (II)]	26 April-3 June (to be confirmed)	Geneva	34 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year	
88.	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session [Charter]	27 and 28 April	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR		
89.	Human Rights Council, open-ended Working Group on the Right to Development, twelfth session [Human Rights Council resolution 9/3]	April (1 week) ^f	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T		One session per year	
90.	Preparatory Committee for the Seventh 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 [Decision of the States parties at the Sixth Review Conference] ^b	April (1 week) ^f	Geneva	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_		
91.	Special high-level meetings of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and UNCTAD [General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 61/16 and Economic and Social Council decision 2005/211]	April (1 day) ^f	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR		
92.	ESCAP, sixty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 37 (IV), 69 (V) and 723 B (XXVIII)]	April/May ^f	To be determined	53 G	I (CEFR)	T	_	One session per year	
93.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	April/May ^f (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Two sessions of one meeting each per year	
94.	United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, first regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 2001/321]	April/May ^f	To be determined	26 ST	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year	
95.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, sixtieth session [Human Rights Council resolution 6/4]	2-6 May	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year	

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96.	UNCTAD, Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission, third session [part IV, section B of the Accra Accord, adopted at the twelfth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, held in Accra, from 20 to 25 April 2008]	2-6 May	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
97.	United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, twenty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV)]	2-6 May	Vienna	80 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
98.	Commission on Sustainable Development, nineteenth session [Economic and Social Council decisions 1993/207 and 2005/228]	2-13 May	New York	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
99.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review, eleventh session [Human Rights Council decision 1/103 and resolution 5/1]	2-13 May	Geneva	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
100.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, forty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39]	2-20 May	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
101.	Group of governmental experts to review the operation and further development of the Standardized Instrument for Reporting Military Expenditures, third session [General Assembly resolution 62/13]	9-13 May	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
102.	UNCTAD, Trade and Development Commission, third session [part IV, section B of the Accra Accord, adopted at the twelfth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, held in Accra from 20 to 25 April 2008]	9-13 May	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
103.	International Narcotics Control Board, one hundred and first session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	2-13 May	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
104.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Insolvency Law, fortieth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	16-20 May	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
105.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, resumed session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV) and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/297]	16-24 May	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
106.	Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, tenth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/22]	16-27 May	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
107.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolutions 14 (I), 173 (II), 32/103 and 64/243]	17 May-22 July	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year

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108.	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, fourteenth session [General Assembly resolution 46/235 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 2002/37 and 2006/46 and decision 2003/291]	23-27 May (to be confirmed)	Geneva	43 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
109.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, pre-sessional working group, forty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39]	23-27 May	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
110.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Transport Law, twenty-third session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	23-27 May	New York	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
111.	Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption: Implementation Review Group of the United Nations Convention against Corruption, second meeting [General Assembly resolution 58/4 and resolution 3/1 of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption]	23 May-3 June	Vienna	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
112.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, fifty-seventh session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211]	30 May-17 June	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
113.	Human Rights Council, seventeenth session [General Assembly resolution 60/251]	30 May-17 June	Geneva	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	No fewer than three sessions per year
114.	High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, seventeenth session [General Assembly resolutions 33/134 and 58/220]	31 May-3 June	New York	195 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
115.	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
116.	General Assembly, Fifth Committee, resumed session [Charter]	May (4 weeks)	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
117.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	May (1 day)	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
118.	Regional seminar to review the situation in Non-Self-Governing Territories under the Second Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism [General Assembly resolutions 54/91 and 63/110]	May (3 days)	To be determined	28 G	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
119.	United Nations International Meeting in Support of Israeli-Palestinian Peace [General Assembly resolutions 64/17 and 64/18]	May (2 days)	To be determined	192 G	To be determined	T	_	

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120.	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
121.	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, fifty- fourth session [General Assembly resolution 1472 A (XIV)]	1-10 June	Vienna	69 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
122.	WFP, Executive Board, annual session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] ^b	6-10 June	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
123.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, annual session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	6-17 June	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
124.	Committee on Contributions, seventy-first session [General Assembly resolution 14 (I) A]	6-24 June	New York	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
125.	Committee for Programme and Coordination, fifty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 31/93]	6 June-1 July	New York	34 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
126.	Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, twelfth meeting [General Assembly resolutions 60/30 and 63/111]	13-17 June	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
127.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, European region, ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/36]	14-17 June	Vienna	46 G	I (EFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
128.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives, one hundred and fifteenth meeting [Governing Council decision 19/32]	15 June	Nairobi	e	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
129.	UNICEF, Executive Board, annual session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	20-23 June	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
130.	Committee against Torture, Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, fourteenth session [Part I, article 2, of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, and report of the Human Rights Council (A/61/53)]	20-24 June	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	Т	SR	Three sessions per year
131.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group, fifty-eighth session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211]	20-24 June	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
132.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances, ninety-fourth session [Human Rights Council resolution 7/12]	20-24 June	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year

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133.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Situations, eighth session [Human Rights Council resolution 5/1]	20-24 June	Geneva	5 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
134.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, thirty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	20-24 June	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
135.	States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, twenty-first meeting [General Assembly resolutions 37/66 and 49/28]	20 June-1 July	New York	138 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year
136.	UNCTAD, Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, twenty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/67]	21-24 June	Geneva	34	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
137.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat, forty-first meeting [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	22 June	Nairobi	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
138.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals, twenty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	27-29 June	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	Т	_	One or two sessions per year
139.	Meeting of Chairpersons of the Human Rights Treaty Bodies, twenty-third session [General Assembly resolutions 46/111 and 49/178]	27 June-1 July	Geneva	8 E	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
140.	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI)]	27 June-15 July	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
141.	UNFCCC, meetings of subsidiary bodies of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention [General Assembly resolution 62/86]	June (2 weeks)	Bonn	189 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
142.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Committee of Actuaries [General Assembly resolution 1561 (XV), article XXIX]	June	Geneva	5 E	_	T	_	One session per year
143.	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 (up to 20 meetings)	New York	28 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	
144.	Human Rights Committee, pre-sessional Working Group on Communications, one hundred and second session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	4-8 July	Geneva	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
145.	Economic and Social Council, substantive session [Charter]	4-29 July	Geneva	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	

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146.	International Law Commission, sixty-third session, second part [General Assembly resolution 174 (II)]	4 July-12 August	Geneva	34 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	One session per year
147.	UNCTAD, Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy, eleventh session [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	5-8 July	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
148.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention [General Assembly resolutions 55/70 and 62/218]	6-8 July	New York	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
149.	Independent Audit Advisory Committee, fifteenth session [General Assembly resolution 61/275]	6-8 July	New York	5 E	I (ER)	T	_	Four sessions per year
150.	United Nations Board of Auditors, sixty-fifth regular session [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	7-8 July	New York	3 E	I (CEF)	Т	_	One session per year
151.	Human Rights Council, Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, fourth session [Human Rights Council resolution 6/36]	11-15 July	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
152.	ICSC, seventy-third session [General Assembly resolution 3357 (XXIX)]	11-22 July	To be determined	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
153.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, forty-ninth session [General Assembly resolutions 34/180 and 62/218]	11-29 July	New York	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
154.	Human Rights Committee, one hundred and second session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	11-29 July	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
155.	Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty, third session [General Assembly resolutions 63/240 and 64/48]	11-29 July	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
156.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, fifty-eighth session [General Assembly resolutions 248 (III), 46/200 and 61/240]	18-22 July	New York	33 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session per year
157.	Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters, fifty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 37/99 K]	July (3-4 days)	New York	15 E	I (ACEFRS)	T		Two sessions per year
158.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July (1 day)	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
159.	United Nations International Conference of Civil Society in Support of Israeli-Palestinian Peace [General Assembly resolutions 64/17 and 64/18]	July (3 days)	To be determined	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
160.	United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Standing Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	July (1 meeting)	New York	15 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session per year

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161.	International Law Seminar [General Assembly resolution 49/51]	July/August (3 weeks)	Geneva	30 E	I (EFS)	_	_	One session per year
162.	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)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
163.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 45/124, 47/94 and 62/218]	1-5 August	New York	4 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
164.	Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, seventh session [Human Rights Council resolution 5/1]	2-5 August	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
165.	Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, twenty-eighth session [annex II, article 2 (5), of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea]	15-19 August	New York	21 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
166.	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, seventy-ninth session [General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX)]	15 August- 8 September	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
167.	United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, fifty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 913 (X)]	16-20 August	Vienna	21 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
168.	Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption: Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Preventive Measures, second meeting [General Assembly resolution 58/4 and resolution 3/2 of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption]	22-24 August	Vienna	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
169.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, thirteenth session [Human Rights Council resolution 7/21]	22-26 August	New York	5 E	I (AERS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
170.	Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption: Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Asset Recovery, second meeting [General Assembly resolution 58/4 and resolution 3/3 of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption]	25-26 August	Vienna	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
171.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, sixty-first session [Human Rights Council resolution 6/4]	29 August- 2 September	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
172.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Communications, ninth session [Human Rights Council resolution 5/1]	29 August- 2 September	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year

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173.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget (Technical Cooperation), fifty-ninth session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	5-7 September	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
174.	UNDP and UNFPA, Executive Board, second regular session [General Assembly resolutions 2029 (XX) and 48/162]	6-9 September	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	Two sessions per year
175.	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [General Assembly resolutions 14 (I), 173 (II), 32/103 and 64/243]	6 September- 16 December	New York	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	Three sessions per year
176.	Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, third session [General Assembly resolution 61/106 and article 40 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities]	7-9 September	New York	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	One session every two years
177.	UNICEF, Executive Board, second regular session [General Assembly resolutions 57 (I) and 48/162]	12-15 September ^g	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
178.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Arbitration, fifty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	12-16 September (to be confirmed)	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
179.	United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, Board of Trustees, sixteenth session [General Assembly resolution 46/122]	12-16 September	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	Т	_	One session per year
180.	Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, fifteenth session [General Assembly resolution 45/158]	12-23 September	Geneva	10 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
181.	UNCTAD, Trade and Development Board, fifty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) and UNCTAD resolution 114 (V)]	12-23 September	Geneva	153 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
182.	Human Rights Council, eighteenth session [General Assembly resolution 60/251]	12-30 September	Geneva	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	No fewer than three sessions per year
183.	General Assembly, sixty-sixth session [Charter]	13 September- December	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	$\frac{PV}{SR^h}$	
184.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives, one hundred and sixteenth meeting [Governing Council decision 19/32]	14 September	Nairobi	e	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
185.	Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, sixth session [General Assembly resolution 61/106 and article 34 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities]	19-23 September	Geneva	12 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year

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186.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, fifty-eighth session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211]	19 September- 7 October	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	Three sessions per year
187.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat, forty-second meeting [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	21 September	Nairobi	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year
188.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Working Group on Communications under the Optional Protocol to the Convention [General Assembly resolutions 55/70 and 62/218]	28-30 September	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
189.	Committee on Conferences, substantive session [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	September (5 days)	New York	21 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
190.	High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases [General Assembly resolution 64/265]	September	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
191.	One-day plenary event to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance [General Assembly resolution 64/148]	September	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	
192.	UNRWA, Advisory Commission [General Assembly resolution 302 (IV)]	September (1 day)	Amman	10 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
193.	Human Rights Committee, pre-sessional Working Group on Communications, one hundred and third session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	3-7 October	Geneva	9 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
194.	UNHCR, Executive Committee, sixty-second session [General Assembly resolutions 1166 (XII) and 62/123]	3-7 October	Geneva	78 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
195.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review, twelfth session [Human Rights Council decision 1/103 and resolution 5/1]	3-14 October	Geneva	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
196.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, fiftieth session [General Assembly resolutions 34/180 and 62/218]	3-21 October	Geneva	23 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
197.	Committee on the Rights of the Child, pre-sessional working group, fifty-ninth session [General Assembly resolutions 44/25, 47/112 and 49/211]	10-14 October	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
198.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Electronic Commerce, forty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	10-14 October	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
199.	UNCCD, Conference of the Parties to the Convention, tenth session, and meetings of subsidiary bodies [General Assembly resolution 62/193]	10-21 October	Republic of Korea	185 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years

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200.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Procurement, twenty-first session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	17-21 October (to be confirmed)	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
201.	Ad Hoc Committee of the Human Rights Council on the Elaboration of Complementary Standards in the Field of Racism [Human Rights Council decision 3/103 and resolution 6/21]	17-28 October	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
202.	Human Rights Committee, one hundred and third session [General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI)]	17 October- 4 November	Geneva	18 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Three sessions per year
203.	Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment [General Assembly resolution 39/46 A]	18 October	Geneva	139 G	I (EFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years
204.	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, pre-sessional working group [General Assembly resolutions 45/124, 47/94 and 62/218]	24-28 October	Geneva	4 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
205.	United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, Board of Trustees, thirty-fifth session [General Assembly resolution 36/151]	24-28 October	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	Т	_	Two sessions per year
206.	International Narcotics Control Board, one hundred and second session [Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 11]	24 October- 11 November	Vienna	13 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two or three sessions per year
207.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Insolvency Law, forty-first session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	31 October- 4 November (to be confirmed)	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	Two sessions per year
208.	Human Rights Council, Intergovernmental Working Group on Effective Implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, ninth session [Human Rights Council resolution 1/5]	31 October- 11 November	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
209.	Committee against Torture, forty-seventh session [General Assembly resolution 39/46]	31 October- 18 November (to be confirmed)	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	Т	SR	Two sessions per year
210.	General Assembly, fifth high-level dialogue on financing for development [General Assembly resolution 57/250]	October (2 or 3 days)	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session every two years
211.	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)	Т	_	Two sessions per year
212.	Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters, seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1273 (XLIII), 1765 (LIV) and 2004/69]	October/ November (1 week)	Geneva	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year

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213.	United Nations Staff Pension Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	October/November (1 meeting)	New York	12 E	_	_	_	Two sessions of one meeting each per year
214.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances, ninety-fifth session [Human Rights Council resolution 7/12]	3-11 November	Geneva	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
215.	WFP, Executive Board, second regular session [Economic and Social Council decision 1995/227 and General Assembly resolution 50/8] ^b	7-11 November	Rome	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
216.	Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, Board of Trustees, thirty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council decision 1993/283]	8-11 November	Geneva	5 E	I (EF)	T	_	Two sessions per year
217.	Committee against Torture, Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, fifteenth session [Part I, article 2, of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and report of the Human Rights Council (A/61/53)]	14-18 November	Geneva	10 E	I (EFRS)	Т	SR	Three sessions per year
218.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Transport Law, twenty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	14-18 November (to be confirmed)	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
219.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, forty-seventh session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39]	14 November- 2 December	Geneva	18 E	I (AEFRS)	T	SR	Two sessions per year
220.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, sixty-second session [Human Rights Council resolution 6/4]	15-25 November	Geneva	5 E	I (EFS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
221.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget, sixtieth session [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	21-25 November	Geneva	с	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
222.	Human Rights Council, Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, fourteenth session [Human Rights Council resolution 7/21]	28 November- 2 December	Geneva	5 E	I (AERS)	T	_	Three sessions per year
223.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, fortieth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	28 November- 7 December	Geneva	22 G	I (CEFRS)	Т	_	One or two sessions per year
224.	UNFCCC, Conference of the Parties to the Convention, seventeenth session, and meetings of subsidiary bodies [General Assembly resolution 62/86]	28 November- 9 December	South Africa	189 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year

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225.	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)	T	PV	One session per year
226.	Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, forty-fourth session [General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX)]	November (2 days)	New York	25 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
227.	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	November	Geneva	109 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
228.	Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Protocol V 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 10 of the Amended Protocol] ^b	November (2 days)	Geneva	29 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
229.	Investments Committee [General Assembly resolution 248 (III)]	November (1 day)	New York	11-12 E	_	_	_	Four or five meetings per year
230.	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] ^b	November (7 days)	Geneva	89 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
231.	Thirteenth 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 the Amended Protocol] ^b	November (1 day)	Geneva	69 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
232.	United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities [General Assembly resolution 32/197]	November (1 day)	New York	195 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
233.	Disarmament Commission, organizational session [General Assembly resolution S-10/2]	November/ December (1 or 2 days) ^g	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session per year

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234.	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)]	November/ December	To be determined	9 E	I (CEF)	Т	_	One session per year	
235.	Seventh 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 [Decision of the States parties at the Sixth Review Conference] ^b	November- December (3 weeks)	Geneva	159 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_		
236.	States parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Antipersonnel Mines and on Their Destruction, eleventh session [article 11, paragraph 2, of the Convention] ^b	November- December (1 week)	To be determined	155 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_		
237.	United Nations Board of Auditors, special session [General Assembly resolution 74 (I)]	November/ December	To be determined	3 E	I (CEF)	T	_	One session per year	
238.	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, pre-sessional working group, forty-eighth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1982/33, 1985/17 and 1995/39]	5-9 December	Geneva	5 E	I (EFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year	
239.	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]	6 December	Geneva	195 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One meeting per year	
240.	Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat, forty-third meeting [General Assembly resolution 56/206]	7 December	Nairobi	d	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four meetings per year	
241.	Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals, twenty-second session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1989/104 and 1999/65]	7-9 December	Geneva	23 G	I (CEFRS)	T	_	One or two sessions per year	
242.	Fifth 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]	8 December	New York	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	Т	SR	One session every two years	
243.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, resumed fifty-fourth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39]	12 December	Vienna	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year	
244.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Security Interests, twentieth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	12-16 December (to be confirmed)	Vienna	60 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year	

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245.	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, reconvened twentieth session [Economic and Social Council decision 2009/251]	13 December	Vienna	40 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	One session per year
246.	UNEP, Committee of Permanent Representatives, one hundred and seventeenth meeting [Governing Council decision 19/32]	14 December	Nairobi	e	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Four sessions per year
247.	Human Rights Council, Forum on Minority Issues, fourth session [Human Rights Council resolution 6/15]	15-16 December	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
248.	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)]	December (1 meeting)	New York	195 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One meeting per year
249.	UNU, Council, fifty-sixth session [General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII)]	December (1 week)	Tokyo	28 E	I (EF)	T	_	One session per year
250.	Committee on Conferences [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	As required	New York	21 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
251.	Committee on Relations with the Host Country [General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI)]	As required	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
252.	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
253.	ECE, committees and working groups [Economic and Social Council resolution 36 (IV)]	As required	Geneva	55 G	To be determined	T	_	As required
254.	Economic and Social Council, formal/informal meetings [Charter and General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 61/16]	As required	New York	54 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SRi	As required
255.	Human Rights Council, organizational and intersessional meetings and special sessions [General Assembly resolution 60/251]	As required	Geneva	47 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SRi	As required
256.	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)]	As required	Arusha	11 E	I (EF)	T	_	As required

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257.	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]	As required	The Hague	11 E	I (EF)	Т	_	As required
258.	Security Council [Charter]	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	As required
259.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning Sierra Leone	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
260.	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
261.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
262.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
263.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
264.	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
265.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
266.	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
267.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
268.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1636 (2005)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
269.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
270.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006)	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
271.	Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia	As required	New York	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
272.	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

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location	Membership	$Servicing^{a}$			Periodicity
273.	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
274.	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
275.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991) ^b	As required	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	As required
276.	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group [General Assembly resolution 2006 (XIX)]	As required	New York	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
277.	Trusteeship Council (and drafting committees) [Charter]	As required	New York	5 G	I (CEFR)	T	PV	As required
278.	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
279.	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
280.	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)	Т	_	As required
281.	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 20 meetings)	Geneva	c	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	As required
282.	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)	T	_	As required
283.	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
284.	United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine [General Assembly resolution 194 (III)]	As required	New York	3 G	I (EF)	T	_	As required
285.	Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean [General Assembly resolutions 299 (XXVIII) and 62/14]	To be determined	New York	43 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session every two years

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location	Membership	Servi	cing ^a		Periodicity
286.	Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group of the General Assembly to follow up on the issues contained in the Outcome of the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development [General Assembly resolution 63/305] ^j	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T		
287.	Ad Hoc Working Group on the revitalization of the General Assembly [General Assembly resolution 63/309] ^j	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T		
288.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, African region, twenty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/11]	To be determined	Addis Ababa or a capital in the region	53 G	I (AEF)	T	_	One session per year
289.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Asia and the Pacific region, thirty-fifth session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/11 and 1988/15]	To be determined	Bangkok or a capital in the region	51 G	I (CEFR)	T	_	One session per year
290.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Latin America and Caribbean region, twenty-first session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987/34 and 1988/15]	To be determined	Santiago or a capital in the region	41 G	I (EFS)	T	_	One session per year
291.	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East, forty-sixth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 1776 (LIV)]	To be determined	A capital in the region	23 G	I (AER)	T	_	One session per year
292.	Committee on Conferences, organizational session [General Assembly resolution 43/222 B]	To be determined	New York	21 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
293.	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, organizational session [Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1296 (XLIV) and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/297]	To be determined	New York	19 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
294.	Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, fourth session [General Assembly resolution 58/4]	To be determined	Morocco	144 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years
295.	Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries [General Assembly resolutions 63/227 and 64/213]	To be determined first half of 2011 (5 days)	Turkey	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
296.	High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, organizational session [General Assembly resolutions 33/134 and 58/220]	To be determined	New York	195 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	One session every two years

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location	Membership	$Servicing^{a}$			Periodicity
297.	High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Financial Situation of the United Nations [General Assembly resolution 49/143]	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	Т	_	
298.	Human Rights Council, working group of experts on people of African descent, twelfth session [Human Rights Council resolutions 5/1 and 9/14]	To be determined	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	Two sessions per year
299.	Independent Audit Advisory Committee, sixteenth session [General Assembly resolution 61/275]	To be determined	To be determined	5 E	I (ER)	T	_	Four sessions per year
300.	Informal Open-ended Working Group on an Agenda for Peace and/or its subgroups [General Assembly resolution $47/120$] ^j	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
301.	Peacebuilding Commission [General Assembly resolution 60/180 and Security Council resolution 1645 (2005)]	To be determined	New York	31 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	
302.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), seventy- fourth session ^b	To be determined	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
303.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), seventy-fifth session ^b	To be determined	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
304.	Security Council, Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission established pursuant to Security Council resolution 692 (1991), seventy-sixth session ^b	To be determined	Geneva	15 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	Four sessions per year
305.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission [part IV, section B of the Accra Accord, adopted at the twelfth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, held in Accra from 20 to 25 April 2008]	To be determined (3 days)	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
306.	UNCTAD, expert meeting of the Trade and Development Commission [part IV, section B of the Accra Accord, adopted at the twelfth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, held in Accra from 20 to 25 April 2008]	To be determined (3 days)	Geneva	To be determined	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
307.	UNITAR, Board of Trustees, fiftieth session [General Assembly resolutions 1934 (XVIII) and 47/227]	To be determined (2-3 days)	Geneva	28 E	I (AEFRS)	T	_	One session per year
308.	United Nations Appeals Tribunal [General Assembly resolutions 61/261, 62/228, 63/253]	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined	T	_	To be determined

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location	Membership	Servio	ing ^a		Periodicity
309.	United Nations Dispute Tribunal [General Assembly resolutions 61/261, 62/228, 63/253]	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined	To be determined	Т	_	To be determined
310.	General Assembly, comprehensive HIV/AIDS review (General Assembly resolution 60/262)	To be determined	New York	195 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	
311.	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, fourteenth session [Decision of the States parties, December 2001] ^b	Up to 20-25 days of meetings throughout the year	Geneva	90 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_	

^a 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.

^b Conference services are funded from outside the regular budget of the United Nations.

^c Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).

^d In accordance with resolution 19/1 of the Governing Council of UN-Habitat, the Committee of Permanent Representatives shall be open to all Permanent Representatives of States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies, which are accredited to UN-Habitat.

^e In accordance with paragraph (h) of decision 19/32 of the Governing Council of UNEP, the Committee of Permanent Representatives shall consist of the representatives of all States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies, and the European Community, accredited to UNEP, whether based in Nairobi or outside.

f Pursuant to paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 56/242, and as decided by the Assembly previously, United Nations intergovernmental bodies are requested to avoid holding meetings on Orthodox Good Friday, which falls on 22 April 2011.

^g Subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

h Verbatim records are provided for plenary meetings of the General Assembly and First Committee.

ⁱ For plenary meetings only.

^j Conference services will be provided from those allocated to the General Assembly.

B. Bodies whose mandates are to be presented for renewal to the General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location	Membership	Servic	ing ^a	Periodicity
1.	Ad Hoc Committee established by the General Assembly in resolution 51/210 [General Assembly resolution 59/46]	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
2.	Ad Hoc Committee on Criminal Accountability of United Nations Officials and Experts on Mission [General Assembly resolution 62/63]	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
3.	Ad Hoc Committee on the Administration of Justice at the United Nations [General Assembly resolution 61/29 and decision 63/531]	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
4.	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	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
5.	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) and 62/106]	To be determined	Geneva	3 G	I (AEF)	T	PV^b
6.	Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [General Assembly resolution 3349 (XXIX)]	To be determined	New York	192 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	_
7.	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	_

^a 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.

^b When holding oral hearings.

C. Draft revised 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, 2011

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location
1.	IFAD, Governing Council, thirty-fourth session	7-11 January	Rome
2.	ICAO, Committee, one hundred and ninety-second session	17 January-4 February	Montreal
3.	FAO, Council, one hundred and forty-first session	21-25 January	Rome
4.	WHO, Executive Board, one hundred twenty-eighth session	January	Geneva
5.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Programme and Budget Committee	14 February	Vienna
6.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings, thirty-second session	14 February-4 March	Vienna
7.	ICAO, Council, one hundred and ninety-second session	21 February-18 March	Montreal
8.	UPU, Council of Administration	February	Berne
9.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees, three hundred and tenth session	3-25 March	Geneva
0.	IAEA, Board of Governors	7-11 March	Vienna
1.	FAO, Council, one hundred and forty-second session	11-15 April	Rome
2.	International Seabed Authority, Assembly, seventeenth session	25 April-6 May	Kingston
3.	UPU, Postal Operations Council	26 April-13 May	Berne
4.	UNESCO, Executive Board	April	Paris
5.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Programme and Budget Committee	2-6 May	Vienna
6.	IFAD, Executive Board, one hundred and second session	2-6 May	Rome
7.	ICAO, Committee, one hundred and ninety-third session	2-20 May	Montreal
8.	UNIDO, Programme and Budget Committee, twenty-seventh session	9-13 May	Vienna
9.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings, thirty-seventh session, first part	16-20 May	Vienna
20.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group A and informal/expert meetings, thirty-ninth session	23-25 May	Vienna
21.	WHO, Executive Board, one hundred and twenty-ninth session	May	Geneva
22.	WHO, Sixty-fourth World Health Assembly	May	Geneva
23.	WMO, Executive Council, sixty-third session	May/June	Geneva
24.	ILO, General Conference, one hundredth session	1-17 June	Geneva
25.	IAEA, Board of Governors	6-10 June	Vienna
26.	ICAO, Council, one hundred and ninety-third session	6-30 June	Montreal

	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location
27.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, thirty-sixth session	14-15 June	Vienna
28.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees, three hundred and eleventh session	17 June	Geneva
29.	UNIDO, Industrial Development Board, thirty-ninth session	20-24 June	Vienna
30.	FAO, Conference, thirty-seventh session	25 June-2 July	Rome
31.	IMO, Council	June	London
32.	UNWTO, Executive Council, ninetieth session	June	To be determined
33.	FAO, Council, one hundred and forty-third session	4-5 July	Rome
34.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group B and informal/expert meetings, thirty-seventh session, second part	22 August-9 September	Vienna
35.	IAEA, Board of Governors	12-16 September	Vienna
36.	IFAD, Executive Board, one hundred and third session	12-16 September	Rome
37.	ITU, Council	15-25 September	Geneva
38.	IAEA, General Conference, fifty-fifth session	19-23 September	Vienna
39.	ICAO, Committee, one hundred and ninety-fourth session	19 September-7 October	Montreal
40.	IAEA, Board of Governors	26 September	Vienna
41.	WIPO, Assemblies of Member States	September/October	Geneva
42.	UNESCO, General Conference	September/October	Paris
43.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, Working Group A and informal/expert meetings, fortieth session	3-5 October	Vienna
44.	Annual meetings of the Boards of Governors of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund	6 October	Washington, D.C.
45.	UPU, Council of Administration	24 October-11 November	Berne
46.	ICAO, Council, one hundred and ninety-fourth session	24 October-18 November	Montreal
47.	UNESCO, Executive Board	October	Paris
48.	ILO, Governing Body and its committees, three hundred and twelfth session	3-18 November	Geneva
49.	IAEA, Board of Governors, Technical Assistance and Cooperation Committee	14-15 November	Vienna
50.	IAEA, Board of Governors	16-18 November	Vienna
51.	FAO, Council, one hundred and forty-fourth session	21-25 November	Rome
52.	Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, thirty-seventh session	24-28 November	Vienna
53.	UNIDO, General Conference, fourteenth session	28 November-2 December	Vienna
54.	IMO, Assembly	November	London

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	Organ	Dates (2011)	Location
55.	IMO, Council	November	London
56.	Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, fourteenth session	November	The Hague
57.	UNWTO, Executive Council, ninety-first session	November	To be determined
58.	UNWTO, Executive Council, ninety-second session	November	To be determined
59.	UNWTO, General Assembly, eighteenth session	November	To be determined
60.	IFAD, Executive Board, one hundred and fourth session	12-16 December	Rome
61.	Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	To be determined	The Hague
62.	Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, Budget and Finance Committee	To be determined	The Hague
63.	Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty	To be determined	New York
64.	Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Executive Council	To be determined	The Hague