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Programme of work of the General Assembly

Schedule of plenary meetings

Note by the President of the General Assembly

1. The present document contains a programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventy-first session as from 5 October 2016. Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be reflected in revised versions of the present document and on the website of the Assembly (www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/71schedule.shtml) and will be announced in the *Journal of the United Nations*.

Date

Agenda item

[Organizational, administrative and other matters]

Wednesday, 5 October
a.m.

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization [109]: [A/71/1](#)

[Organizational, administrative and other matters]

Thursday, 6 October
a.m.

1. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [7]: documentation for the election of the members of the International Law Commission: review of the list of candidates
2. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [120]; Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [121]: *joint debate*



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| Monday, 10 October a.m. | <p>[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences; Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [9]: A/71/3; note by the Secretary-General (A/71/155); Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [13]: <i>joint debate</i> 2. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [117]: specific meeting focused on development (resolution 60/265) |
| Thursday, 13 October a.m. | <p>[Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <p>Global awareness of the tragedies of irregular migrants in the Mediterranean basin, with specific emphasis on Syrian asylum seekers [131]</p> |
| Friday, 14 October a.m. | <p>[Development of Africa; Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences]</p> <p>New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [62 (a) and (b)]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/189, A/71/203 and A/71/211-S/2016/655); 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa [12]: <i>joint debate</i></p> |
| Monday, 17 October a.m. | <p>[Maintenance of international peace and security]</p> <p>The situation in Afghanistan [36]: report of the Secretary-General</p> |
| Wednesday, 19 October a.m. | <p>[Promotion of human rights]</p> <p>Implementation of human rights instruments [68 (a)]: commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights</p> |
| Thursday, 20 October a.m. | <p>[Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <p>Commemoration of the abolition of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade [119]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/170)</p> |
| Monday, 24 October | <p><i>United Nations Day concert</i></p> |

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| | [Maintenance of international peace and security] |
| Wednesday, 26 October a.m. | Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba [39]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/91) |
| | [Promotion of justice and international law] |
| Thursday, 27 October a.m. | Report of the International Court of Justice [70]: A/71/4 ; report of the Secretary-General (A/71/339) |
| | [Organizational, administrative and other matters] |
| Friday, 28 October a.m. | Election of fourteen members of the Human Rights Council [114 (d)] |
| | [Promotion of justice and international law] |
| Monday, 31 October a.m. | Report of the International Criminal Court [72]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/346 and A/71/349); note by the Secretary-General (A/71/342) |
| | [Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences] |
| Wednesday, 2 November a.m. | Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [13]: plenary meeting to discuss action-oriented recommendations to address the socioeconomic and environmental impacts of the 2015/16 El Niño phenomenon (resolution 70/110) |
| | [Organizational, administrative and other matters] |
| Thursday, 3 November p.m. | Election of the members of the International Law Commission [114 (b)]: notes by the Secretary-General (A/71/83 , A/71/83/Add.1 , A/71/90 , A/71/90/Add.1 , A/71/90/Add.2 , A/71/90/Add.3 and A/71/90/Add.4) |
| | [Promotion of human rights] |
| Friday, 4 November a.m. | Report of the Human Rights Council [63]: A/71/53 and A/71/53/Add.1 |
| | [Organizational, administrative and other matters] |
| Monday, 7 November a.m. | Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council [122] |

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| Wednesday, 9 November a.m. | <p>[Promotion of justice and international law; Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <p>Report of the 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 [71]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/263-S/2016/670); International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals [129]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/262-S/2016/669): <i>joint debate</i></p> |
| Thursday, 10 November a.m. | <p>[Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences [115 (g)]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/107) 2. Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit [115 (h)]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/396) 3. Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [112 (b)]: by-election |
| Wednesday, 16 November a.m. | <p>[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences; Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <p>Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [13]; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [117]; Strengthening of the United Nations system [123 (a) and (b)]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/378); United Nations reform: measures and proposals [124]: <i>joint debate</i></p> |
| Thursday, 17 November a.m. | <p>[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences; Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order [15]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/185) 2. Investigation into the conditions and circumstances resulting in the tragic death of Dag Hammarskjöld and of the members of the party accompanying him [130] |

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| | [Organizational, administrative and other matters] |
| Monday, 21 November a.m. | Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [126 (a) to (z)]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/160-S/2016/621); notes by the Secretary-General (A/71/171 and A/71/207) |
| Thursday, 24 November | Official United Nations holiday (Thanksgiving) |
| | [Maintenance of international peace and security] |
| Tuesday, 29 November p.m. | 1. Question of Palestine [35]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/174) |
| Wednesday, 30 November a.m. and p.m. | 2. The situation in the Middle East [34]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/328 and A/71/359-S/2016/732) |
| | [Maintenance of international peace and security] |
| Thursday, 1 December a.m. | The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict [30] |
| | [Promotion of justice and international law] |
| Monday, 5 December a.m. | Oceans and the law of the sea [73 (a) and (b)]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/74 and A/71/351) |
| | [Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences] |
| Tuesday, 6 December a.m. | Sport for development and peace [11]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/179) |
| | [Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences; Organizational, administrative and other matters] |
| Wednesday, 7 December a.m. | 1. Culture of peace [14] |
| | 2. Global health and foreign policy [127] |
| | [Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts] |
| Thursday, 8 December a.m. | Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [69 (a) to (d)]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/82-E/2016/60 , A/71/87-E/2016/67 , A/71/329 , A/71/336 , A/71/353 and A/71/395) |

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| Monday, 12 December a.m. | <p>[Maintenance of international peace and security; Disarmament; Organizational, administrative and other matters]</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of the Credentials Committee [3 (b)] 2. Prevention of armed conflict [31] 3. Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development [32] 4. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic [33] 5. The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan [37] 6. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [88]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/322) 7. Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination [114 (a)] 8. Election of five members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission [114 (c)] 9. Appointment of the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal [115 (l)] 10. 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 [128] <p>(12 December: end of 13 weeks)</p> |

2. The following plenary items have not been scheduled for debate during the main part of the session:¹

Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the political declarations on HIV/AIDS [10]

Report of the Security Council [28] (see [S/2015/944](#))

Report of the Peacebuilding Commission [29]; Peacebuilding and sustaining peace [61]; Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund [110]: *joint debate*

¹ Item 113, entitled “Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations”, and item 68 (b), entitled “Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms” (high-level plenary meeting for the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance), will be scheduled during the main part of the session on a date to be determined.

Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance [66]: commemorative meeting during the commemoration of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations [111]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/300)

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [112 (a)]²

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [112 (b)]²

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: Appointment of members of the Board of the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns [115 (i)]

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: Confirmation of the appointment of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme [115 (j)]

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development [115 (k)]

The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy [118]

Multilingualism [125]

3. Inscription on the list of speakers, on a first-come, first-served basis, for the items listed herein is now open. For inscription, please contact the Secretariat (e-mail poliakova@un.org, with copy to heddachem@un.org; tel. (1) 212 963 5063).

4. Representatives are reminded to submit draft resolutions sufficiently in advance so that Member States will have adequate time to examine them. Representatives are also reminded that, should a draft resolution have programme budget implications, sufficient time should be allowed to enable the Secretary-General to prepare a statement on those implications. Additional time is also required to enable the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee to review those implications before the draft resolution is acted upon by the General Assembly.

² The General Assembly, in its resolution [68/307](#), decided to conduct the elections of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and the members of the Economic and Social Council about six months before the elected members assume their responsibilities, beginning at the seventieth session.