

Extracts of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, containing requests addressed to States, international organizations and the Secretary- General

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Explanatory note:

The following informal compilation reproduces the operative paragraphs of General Assembly resolutions adopted at the seventy-eighth [2023] and prior sessions in which action to be undertaken in 2024 and in subsequent years, by States, international organizations, the Secretariat or subsidiary bodies, such as the International Law Commission, is anticipated. Where necessary, the compilation also includes extracts of operative paragraphs to be read together with those paragraphs calling for action.

Hyperlinks are provided to the full text of the respective resolutions and to relevant pages on the website of the Sixth Committee, which contain summaries of the consideration of each agenda item and relevant documentation. Information about corresponding communications transmitted by the Secretariat (including links to electronic copies thereof) is also provided.

Annex I contains a calendar of deadlines for the submission of information to the Secretariat. Annex II provides guidelines for the submission of information to the Secretariat.

Please note: As regards deadlines for information requested by the International Law Commission concerning topics on its current agenda, attention is drawn to [chapter III](#) of the annual report and to operative paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution [78/108](#).

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Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission (agenda item 76)

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

5. *Expresses its concern* with respect to all alleged crimes on the part of United Nations officials and experts on mission, including allegations of fraud, corruption and other financial crimes, and in that regard welcomes the reaffirmation by the Secretary-General that there will be no tolerance for any corruption at the United Nations;

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

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

8. *Expresses its concern* with respect to the low rate of response from States to referred allegations and to requests for information on their provisions addressing the establishment of jurisdiction over crimes, as urged in its resolution [77/98](#), and in particular expresses its deep concern with regard to the significant number of instances where States to which allegations have been referred have failed to advise the United Nations of any steps taken in response to such referrals, and also with regard to the failure to acknowledge such referrals;

9. *Strongly urges* States to take all appropriate measures to ensure that crimes by United Nations officials and experts on mission do not go unpunished and that the perpetrators of such crimes are brought to justice, without prejudice to the privileges and immunities of such persons and the United Nations under international law, and in accordance with international human rights standards, including due process;

10. *Strongly urges* all States to consider establishing, to the extent that they have not yet done so, jurisdiction over crimes,

particularly those of a serious nature, as known in their existing national criminal laws, committed by their nationals while serving as United Nations officials or experts on mission, at least where the conduct as defined in the law of the State establishing jurisdiction also constitutes a crime under the laws of the host State, and, further, urges States and appropriate international organizations to provide technical and other appropriate assistance in developing such legal measures to States requesting such support;

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11. *Encourages* all States and the United Nations to cooperate with each other in the exchange of information and in facilitating the conduct of investigations and, as appropriate, the prosecution of United Nations officials and experts on mission who are alleged to have committed crimes of a serious nature, in accordance with their national law and applicable United Nations rules and regulations, fully respecting due process rights, as well as to consider strengthening the capacities of their national authorities to investigate and prosecute such crimes;

12. *Encourages* all States:

(a) To afford each other assistance in connection with criminal investigations or criminal or extradition proceedings in respect of crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, including assistance in obtaining evidence at their disposal, in accordance with their national law or any treaties or other arrangements on extradition and mutual legal assistance that may exist between them;

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(b) In accordance with their national law, to explore ways and means of facilitating the possible use of information and material obtained from the United Nations for purposes of criminal proceedings initiated in their territory for the prosecution of crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, bearing in mind due process considerations;

(c) In accordance with their national law, to provide effective protection for victims of, witnesses to and others who provide information in relation to crimes of a serious nature alleged to have been committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission and to facilitate access of victims to victim assistance programmes, without prejudice to the rights of the alleged offender, including those relating to due process;

(d) In accordance with their national law, to explore ways and means of responding adequately to requests by host States for support and assistance in order to enhance their capacity to conduct effective investigations in respect of crimes of a serious nature alleged to have been committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission;

13. *Requests* the Secretariat to continue to ensure that requests to Member States seeking personnel to serve as experts on mission make States aware of the expectation that persons who serve in that capacity should meet high standards in their conduct and behaviour and be aware that certain conduct may amount to a crime for which they may be held accountable, and

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

14. *Urges* the Secretary-General to make Member States contributing personnel to serve as experts on mission aware of the necessity of providing appropriate conduct-related training prior to deployment, and also urges the Secretary-General to continue to take such practical measures as are within his authority to strengthen existing training on United Nations standards of conduct, including through predeployment and in-mission induction training for United Nations officials and experts on mission;

15. *Reiterates* its decision that, bearing in mind its resolutions [62/63](#) and [63/119](#) as well as its resolution [77/98](#), the consideration of the report of the Group of Legal Experts, in particular its legal aspects, taking into account the views of Member States and also noting the inputs by the Secretariat, shall be continued during its seventy-ninth session in the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee, and, for that purpose, invites further comments from Member States on that report, including on the question of future action;

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

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

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring credible allegations that reveal that a crime may have been committed by a United Nations official or expert on mission to the attention of the States against whose nationals such allegations are made and to request from those States updates, as set out in paragraph 20 below, on the status of their efforts to investigate and, as appropriate, prosecute crimes of a serious nature, as well as the types of appropriate assistance that States may wish to receive from the Secretariat for the purposes of such investigations and prosecutions;

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

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

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of 5 January 2024)

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

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

22. *Requests* the United Nations, when its investigations into allegations suggest that crimes of a serious nature may have been committed by United Nations officials or experts on mission, to consider any appropriate measures that may facilitate the possible use of information and material for purposes of criminal proceedings initiated by States, bearing in mind due process considerations;

23. *Encourages* the United Nations, when allegations against United Nations officials or experts on mission are determined by a United Nations administrative investigation to be unfounded, to take appropriate measures, in the interests of the Organization, to restore the credibility and the reputation of such officials and experts on mission;

24. *Urges* the United Nations to continue to cooperate with States exercising jurisdiction in order to provide them, within the framework of the relevant rules of international law and agreements governing activities of the United Nations, with information and material for purposes of criminal proceedings initiated by States;

25. *Recalls* the Secretary-General's bulletin on protection against retaliation for reporting misconduct and for cooperating with duly authorized audits or investigations,¹ underlines the importance of a culture in which individuals are encouraged and supported by the Organization to report alleged crimes, emphasizes that the United Nations, in accordance with the applicable rules of the Organization, should take no action that would retaliate against or intimidate United Nations officials and experts on mission who report allegations concerning crimes of a serious nature committed by United Nations officials and experts on mission, and stresses the need for appropriate safeguards against retaliation;

26. *Stresses* the critical importance of ensuring that victims of criminal conduct perpetrated by United Nations officials and

¹ [ST/SGB/2017/2/Rev.1](#).

experts on mission are made aware of available victim assistance and support, including from a gender perspective, and requests the Secretary-General to report to the Sixth Committee on available victim assistance and support during the briefing at its seventy-ninth session;

27. *Takes note with appreciation* of the information provided by Governments in response to its resolutions [62/63](#), [63/119](#), [64/110](#), [65/20](#), [66/93](#), [67/88](#), [68/105](#), [69/114](#), [70/114](#), [71/134](#), [72/112](#), [73/196](#), [74/181](#), [75/132](#), [76/106](#) and [77/98](#), and urges Governments to continue to take the measures necessary for the implementation of those resolutions, including their provisions addressing the establishment of jurisdiction over crimes, particularly those of a serious nature, as known in their existing national criminal laws, committed by their nationals while serving as United Nations officials or experts on mission, as well as cooperation among States, and to provide specific details thereon, in particular with respect to paragraph 10 above, in the information provided to the Secretary-General;

28. *Recalls its request* in resolution [77/98](#) for Governments to provide specific details on the measures taken, as necessary, for the implementation of its resolutions [62/63](#), [63/119](#), [64/110](#), [65/20](#), [66/93](#), [67/88](#), [68/105](#), [69/114](#), [70/114](#), [71/134](#), [72/112](#), [73/196](#), [74/181](#), [75/132](#) and [76/106](#), and notes that, in response to those resolutions, 185 submissions and 18 questionnaire responses were received from 71 Member States between 6 December 2007 and 1 September 2023;

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

30. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General setting out updates to all relevant existing policies and procedures of the United Nations system regarding the allegations referred to in paragraphs 18 and 19 above,² and requests the Secretary-General to continue to report on any updates to those policies and procedures and to develop recommendations to help to ensure that such policies and procedures relating to the reporting, investigation, referral and follow-up of credible allegations revealing that a crime may have been committed by a United Nations official or expert on mission are coherent, systematic and coordinated throughout the United Nations system;

31. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of

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([LA/COD/50/1](#); and
[LA/COD/50/2](#)
of 5 January 2024)

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([LA/COD/50/1](#); and

² [A/78/275](#).

the present resolution, in particular with respect to paragraphs 10, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20 and 30 above, as well as any practical problems in its implementation, on the basis of information received from Governments and the Secretariat;

([LA/COD/50/2](#)
of 5 January 2024)

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

33. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled "Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission".

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-sixth session (agenda item 77)

Res. [78/103](#), 7 Dec. 2023

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2. *Commends* the Commission for the finalization and adoption of:

(a) In the area of investor-State dispute settlement reform, the Model Provisions on Mediation for International Investment Disputes,³ the Guidelines on Mediation for International Investment Disputes,⁴ the Code of Conduct for Arbitrators in International Investment Dispute Resolution,⁵ and, in principle, the Code of Conduct for Judges in International Investment Dispute Resolution;⁶

(b) In the area of micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises, the recommendations on access to credit for micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises;⁷

(c) In the area of dispute settlement, the guidance text on early dismissal and preliminary determination;⁸

3. *Commends* the secretariat of the Commission for holding the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Colloquium on Climate Change and International Trade Law to consider areas in which international trade law can effectively support the achievement of climate action goals set by the

³ Ibid., chap. IV, sect. B.2, and annex I.

⁴ Ibid., chap. IV, sect. C.2, and annex II.

⁵ Ibid., chap. IV, sect. D.3, and annex III.

⁶ Ibid., chap. IV, sect. D.3, and annex IV.

⁷ Ibid., chap. V, sect. D, and annex V.

⁸ Ibid., chap. VI, and annex VII.

international community, the scope and value of legal harmonization in those areas and the need for international guidance for legislators, policymakers, courts and dispute resolution bodies;⁹

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to operate, through the secretariat of the Commission, the repository of published information in accordance with article 8 of the Rules on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration,¹⁰ as a continuation of the project until the end of 2024, to be funded entirely by voluntary contributions, notes with satisfaction the contributions by the European Union, Germany and the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries Fund for International Development in this regard, and also requests the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly informed of developments regarding the funding and budgetary situation of the transparency repository;¹¹

5. *Notes with interest* the progress made by the Commission in its work in the areas of dispute settlement, investor-State dispute settlement reform, electronic commerce, insolvency law and negotiable multimodal transport documents,¹² and encourages the Commission to continue to move forward efficiently to achieve tangible work outcomes in those areas;

6. *Takes note with interest* of the decision of the Commission to task one of its working groups with the development of a model law on warehouse receipts;¹³

7. *Welcomes* the decision by the Commission to authorize the publication of a legal toolkit on the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and international trade law instruments, including electronically, in the six official languages of the United Nations,¹⁴ and encourages States and other stakeholders to consult the toolkit and the secretariat to use it in its awareness-raising and promotional activities;

8. *Also welcomes* the decision by the Commission to proceed with its exploratory work on the stocktaking of developments in dispute resolution in the digital economy¹⁵ and the aspects of international trade law related to voluntary carbon credits;¹⁶

9. *Endorses* the efforts and initiatives of the Commission, as the core legal body within the United Nations system in the field of international trade law, aimed at increasing coordination of and cooperation on legal activities of international and regional organizations active in the field of international trade law, including on legal issues relating to the digital economy as reaffirmed by the Commission at its fifty-third session,¹⁷ and at

⁹ *Ibid.*, chap. XII, sect. B.3 (a).

¹⁰ *Ibid.*, *Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/68/17)*, annex I.

¹¹ *Ibid.*, *Seventy-eighth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/78/17)*, chap. XIV, sect. D.4, and chap. XVI, sect. B.

¹² *Ibid.*, chaps. VII–XI.

¹³ *Ibid.*, chap. XII, sect. B.1.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, chap. XII, sect. B.2.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, chap. XII, sect. B.5.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, chap. XII, sect. B.3 (b).

¹⁷ *Ibid.*, *Seventy-fifth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/75/17)*, part two, chap. X, sect. C.4.

promoting the rule of law at the national and international levels in this field, and in this regard appeals to relevant international and regional organizations to coordinate their activities with those of the Commission, to avoid duplication of efforts and to promote efficiency, consistency and coherence in the modernization and harmonization of international trade law;

10. *Reaffirms* the importance, in particular for developing countries, of the work of the Commission concerned with technical cooperation and assistance in the field of international trade law reform and development, and in this connection:

(a) Welcomes the initiatives of the Commission towards expanding, through its secretariat, its technical cooperation and assistance programme, and in that respect encourages the Secretary-General to seek partnerships with State and non-State actors to increase awareness about the work of the Commission and facilitate the effective implementation of legal standards resulting from its work, and notes with appreciation the organization by the secretariat of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Day events in partnership with Governments and regional universities in Asia and the Pacific and Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as a series of United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Day events held for the first time in Africa, in 2022, aimed at promoting awareness and encouraging the study and discussion of Commission texts;¹⁸

(b) Expresses its appreciation to the Commission for carrying out technical cooperation and assistance activities and for providing assistance with legislative drafting in the field of international trade law, and draws the attention of the Secretary-General to the limited resources that are made available in this field;

(c) Expresses its appreciation to the Governments whose contributions enabled the technical cooperation and assistance activities to take place, and appeals to Governments, the relevant bodies of the United Nations system, organizations, institutions and individuals to make voluntary contributions to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law trust fund for symposiums and, where appropriate, for the financing of special projects and otherwise to assist the secretariat of the Commission in carrying out technical cooperation and assistance activities, in particular in developing countries;

(d) Reiterates its appeal to the United Nations Development Programme and other bodies responsible for development assistance, such as the World Bank and regional development banks, as well as to Governments in their bilateral aid programmes, to support the technical cooperation and assistance programme of the Commission and to cooperate with the Commission and coordinate their activities with those of the Commission in the light of the relevance and importance of the work and programmes of the Commission for the promotion of the rule of law at the national and international levels and for the implementation of the international development agenda,

¹⁸ Ibid., *Seventy-eighth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/78/17)*, chap. XIV, sect. B.2.

including the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;¹⁹

(e) Recalls its resolutions stressing the need to strengthen support to Member States, upon their request, in the domestic implementation of their respective international obligations through enhanced technical assistance and capacity-building, and welcomes the efforts of the Secretary-General to ensure greater coordination and coherence among United Nations entities and with donors and recipients;

11. *Recalls* the importance of adherence to the rules of procedure and methods of work of the Commission, including transparent and inclusive deliberations, taking into account the summary of conclusions as reproduced in annex III to the report on the work of its forty-third session,²⁰ requests the Secretariat to issue, prior to meetings of the Commission and of its working groups, a reminder of those rules of procedure and methods of work with a view to ensuring the high quality of the work of the Commission and encouraging the assessment of its instruments, recalls in this regard its previous resolutions related to this matter, and also recalls the agreement reached by the Commission on the conditions that should be met with regard to informal meetings of the working groups between formal sessions;²¹

12. *Welcomes* the activities of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific, in the Republic of Korea, towards providing capacity-building and technical assistance services to States in the Asia-Pacific region, including to international and regional organizations, expresses its appreciation to the Republic of Korea and China, whose contributions enabled continuing operation of the Regional Centre, notes that the continuation of the regional presence relies entirely on extrabudgetary resources, including but not limited to voluntary contributions from States, and requests the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly informed of developments regarding the establishment of regional centres, in particular their funding and budgetary situation;

20. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue the publication of Commission standards and the provision of summary records of the meetings of the Commission, including committees of the whole established by the Commission for the duration of its annual session, relating to the formulation of normative texts;

22. *Stresses* the importance of promoting the use of texts emanating from the work of the Commission for the global unification and harmonization of international trade law, and to this end urges States that have not yet done so to consider signing, ratifying or acceding to conventions, enacting model laws and encouraging the use of other relevant texts;

¹⁹ Resolution [70/1](#).

²⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 17* ([A/65/17](#)).

²¹ *Ibid.*, *Seventy-eighth Session, Supplement No. 17* ([A/78/17](#)), chap. XII, sect. C.

25. *Recalls* its resolutions affirming the importance of high-quality, user-friendly and cost-effective United Nations websites and the need for their multilingual development, maintenance and enrichment,²² commends the fact that the website of the Commission has been migrated to a mobile device-friendly platform and that it continues to be published simultaneously in the six official languages of the United Nations, and welcomes the continuous efforts of the Commission to maintain and improve its website, and to enhance the visibility of its work by utilizing social media features in accordance with the applicable guidelines.²³

Model Provisions on Mediation for International Investment Disputes and Guidelines on Mediation for International Investment Disputes of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (agenda item 77)

Res. [78/104](#), 7 Dec. 2023

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2. *Recommends* the use of the Model Provisions by States and other relevant stakeholders involved in the negotiation of international investment instruments and their incorporation into such instruments;

3. *Also recommends* the use of the Guidelines on Mediation by States, investors, mediators, interested institutions and other relevant stakeholders to foster a better understanding of mediation with regard to resolution of international investment disputes;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make all efforts to ensure that the Model Provisions and the Guidelines become generally known and available by disseminating them broadly to Governments and other interested bodies.

Code of Conduct for Arbitrators in International Investment Dispute Resolution and Code of Conduct for Judges in International Investment Dispute Resolution with respective commentary of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (agenda item 77)

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Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Recommends* the use of the Code of Conduct for Arbitrators by arbitrators, former arbitrators, candidates and disputing parties, as well as administering institutions, with regard to international investment disputes;

3. *Also recommends* the use of the Code of Conduct for Judges by standing mechanisms, where relevant;

²² Resolutions [52/214](#), sect. C, para. 3; [55/222](#), sect. III, para. 12; [56/64](#) B, sect. X; [57/130](#) B, sect. X; [58/101](#) B, sect. V, paras. 61–76; [59/126](#) B, sect. V, paras. 76–95; [60/109](#) B, sect. IV, paras. 66–80; and [61/121](#) B, sect. IV, paras. 65–77.

²³ See resolution [63/120](#), para. 20.

4. *Further recommends* that Governments and other relevant stakeholders involved in the negotiation of international investment instruments and the enactment of legislation governing foreign investments make reference to the Code of Conduct for Arbitrators and the Code of Conduct for Judges, as appropriate;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make all efforts to ensure that the Code of Conduct for Arbitrators and the Code of Conduct for Judges become generally known and available by disseminating them broadly to Governments and other interested bodies.

Guide on Access to Credit for Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (agenda item 77)

Res. [78/106](#), 7 Dec. 2023

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Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to publish the recommendations and the commentary as the *Guide on Access to Credit for Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises* of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, as part of its micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises series, including electronically, in the six official languages of the United Nations, and to disseminate it, together with any relevant information materials, so as to make it widely known and available to Governments and other interested bodies;

3. *Recommends* that States give due consideration to the *Guide* when adopting or revising legislation relevant to access to credit by micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises, and encourages States to ensure that all such enterprises have equal access to credit.

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law (agenda item 78)

Res. [78/107](#), 7 Dec. 2023

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1. *Reiterates its approval* of the guidelines and recommendations contained in section III of the reports of the Secretary-General,²⁴ in particular those designed to strengthen and revitalize the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law in response to the increasing demand for international law training and dissemination activities;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to carry out the activities specified in his report ²⁵ in 2024, including the

²⁴ [A/70/423](#), [A/71/432](#), [A/72/517](#), [A/72/517/Corr.1](#), [A/73/415](#), [A/74/496](#), [A/75/389](#), [A/76/404](#), [A/77/515](#) and [A/78/514](#).

²⁵ [A/78/514](#).

following activities to be financed from provisions in the regular budget:

(a) The International Law Fellowship Programme, with a minimum of 20 fellowships;

(b) The United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean, with a minimum of 20 fellowships for each course;

(c) The continuation and further development of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law, including the availability of its Historic Archives in the official languages of the United Nations;

(d) The dissemination of legal publications and lectures of the Audiovisual Library to developing countries to the extent that there are sufficient resources;

3. *Also authorizes* the Secretary-General to further expand the activities referred to in paragraph 2 above, to be financed from voluntary contributions received pursuant to paragraphs 16, 25 and 26 below;

4. *Commends* the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat for the cost-saving measures undertaken with regard to the International Law Fellowship Programme and the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law to increase the number of fellowships for the training programmes financed from provisions in the regular budget, taking into account the number of applications for these programmes;

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

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

7. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to award a minimum of one scholarship in 2024 under the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship on the Law of the Sea, subject to the availability of funds from voluntary contributions and limitations that may be imposed owing to the COVID-19 pandemic;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to include resources under the proposed programme budget for 2025 for the International Law Fellowship Programme, the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean and for the continuation and further development of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law;

12. *Recognizes* the importance of the United Nations legal publications prepared by the Office of Legal Affairs, and once

again requests the Secretary-General to issue the publications referred to in his previous report²⁶ in various formats, including hard copy publications, which are essential for developing countries;

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

14. *Notes with satisfaction* the issuance of publications by the Codification Division, as specified in the report of the Secretary-General;

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

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

([LA/COD/8/1](#),
of 17 February 2024)

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

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

22. *Once again encourages* the Codification Division to cooperate with the African Institute of International Law, dedicated to offering higher learning and research in international law needed for the development of Africa, in the implementation of the relevant activities under the Programme of Assistance, including the second International Law Seminar for African Universities, to be held in Ethiopia in 2024 in furtherance of paragraph 20 of its resolution [71/139](#) of 13 December 2016, subject to available resources, and encourages Member States and interested organizations to make voluntary contributions to the International Law Seminar for African Universities;

24. *Notes with appreciation* the contributions of the Hague Academy to the teaching, study, dissemination and wider

²⁶ [A/70/423](#), para. 45.

appreciation of international law, and calls upon Member States and interested organizations to give favourable consideration to the appeal of the Academy for a continuation of support and a possible increase in their financial contributions, to enable the Academy to carry out its activities, particularly those relating to the summer and winter courses, regional courses and programmes of the Centre for Studies and Research in International Law and International Relations;

25. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to publicize the Programme of Assistance and periodically to invite Member States, universities, philanthropic foundations and other interested national and international institutions and organizations, as well as individuals, to make voluntary contributions towards the financing of the Programme or otherwise to assist in its implementation and possible expansion;

([LA/COD/8/1](#),
of 9 February 2024)

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

([LA/COD/8/1](#),
of 9 February 2024)

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

28. *Decides* to appoint 25 Member States, 6 from African States, 5 from Asia-Pacific States, 3 from Eastern European States, 5 from Latin American and Caribbean States and 6 from Western European and other States, as members of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law for a period of four years, beginning on 1 January 2024;²⁷

29. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the Programme of Assistance in 2024 and, following consultations with the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, to submit recommendations regarding the Programme in subsequent years;

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session (agenda item 79)

Res. [78/108](#), 7 Dec. 2023

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Deadlines (Note Verbale)

²⁷ The following States have been appointed members of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance: Canada, Chile, Colombia, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, France, Ghana, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Italy, Kenya, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Russian Federation, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago and United States of America.

4. *Draws the attention* of Governments to the importance for the International Law Commission of having their views on the various aspects of the topics on the agenda of the Commission, in particular on all the specific issues identified in chapter III of its report,²⁸ regarding:
- (a) Prevention and repression of piracy and armed robbery at sea; 1 December 2023
- (b) Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law; 1 February 2024
- (c) Sea-level rise in relation to international law; 1 December 2023
5. *Also draws the attention* of Governments to the importance for the International Law Commission of having their comments and observations by 1 December 2024 on the draft conclusions on general principles of law;²⁹ 1 December 2024
6. *Further draws the attention* of Governments to the importance that the International Law Commission attaches to receiving their comments and observations on the topic “Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction” ahead of its second reading;³⁰ 1 December 2023
7. *Takes note* of the decision of the International Law Commission to include the topic “Non-legally binding international agreements” in its programme of work,³¹ and encourages the Commission to continue the examination of the topics that are in its long-term programme of work;³²
8. *Encourages* the International Law Commission to take particular account of the capacity and views of Member States, as well as of the workload of the Commission, when including topics in its current programme of work;
9. *Takes note with appreciation* of the recommendation of the International Law Commission, contained in paragraphs 275 and 276 of its report, regarding the commemoration of its seventy-fifth anniversary, and encourages States, in association with regional organizations, professional associations, academic institutions and members of the Commission concerned, to

²⁸ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-eighth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/78/10)*.

²⁹ *Ibid.*, para. 38.

³⁰ *Ibid.*, para. 29.

³¹ *Ibid.*, para. 249.

³² The following topics are currently in the long-term programme of work of the International Law Commission: “Ownership and protection of wrecks beyond the limits of national maritime jurisdiction”, “Jurisdictional immunity of international organizations”, “Protection of personal data in transborder flow of information”, “Extraterritorial jurisdiction”, “The fair and equitable treatment standard in international investment law”, “Evidence before international courts and tribunals”, “Universal criminal jurisdiction” and “Reparation to individuals for gross violations of international human rights law and serious violations of international humanitarian law”.

convene national or regional meetings, which would be dedicated to the work of the Commission;

10. *Takes note* of paragraph 277 of the report of the International Law Commission, and requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to identify concrete options for support for the work of special rapporteurs, additional to those provided under General Assembly resolution [56/272](#) of 27 March 2002;

11. *Welcomes* the efforts of the International Law Commission to improve its methods of work, and encourages the Commission to continue this practice;

12. *Invites* the International Law Commission to continue to take measures to enhance its efficiency and productivity and to consider making proposals to Member States to that end;

13. *Recalls* the importance of an in-depth analysis of State practice and the consideration of the diversity of legal systems of Member States to the work of the International Law Commission;

14. *Takes note* of paragraph 283 of the report of the International Law Commission, recalls the paramount importance of multilingualism as set forth in General Assembly resolution [76/268](#) of 10 June 2022 on multilingualism, underlines the importance of having the documents of the Commission published in due time in the six official languages of the United Nations while ensuring their accuracy in all official languages, and to this end requests special rapporteurs to submit their reports within the time limits specified by the Secretariat, and the Secretariat to give due consideration to the quality of the translation of the documents of the Commission in the six official languages;

15. *Encourages* the International Law Commission to continue to take cost-saving measures at its future sessions, without prejudice to the efficiency and effectiveness of its work;

16. *Recalls* that the seat of the International Law Commission is at the United Nations Office at Geneva;

17. *Takes note* of paragraph 291 of the report of the International Law Commission, and decides that the next session of the Commission shall be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 15 April to 31 May 2024, which will coincide with the commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Commission, and from 1 July to 2 August 2024;

18. *Also takes note* of paragraph 291 of the report of the International Law Commission, and endorses the request of the Commission that the Secretariat proceed with the necessary administrative and organizational arrangements to facilitate the

holding of the first part of the seventy-seventh session of the Commission in New York;

19. *Stresses* the desirability of further enhancing the dialogue between the International Law Commission, in particular the special rapporteurs, and the Sixth Committee, and in this context encourages, inter alia, the continued practice of informal consultations in the form of discussions between the members of the Sixth Committee and the members of the Commission throughout the year;

20. *Encourages* delegations, during the debate on the report of the International Law Commission, to continue to adhere as far as possible to the structured work programme agreed to by the Sixth Committee and to consider presenting concise and focused statements;

21. *Encourages* Member States to consider being represented at the level of legal adviser during the first week in which the report of the International Law Commission is discussed in the Sixth Committee (International Law Week) to enable high-level discussions on issues of international law;

22. *Underlines* in this regard the necessity to allow sufficient time for the consideration of the report of the International Law Commission in the Sixth Committee;

23. *Requests* the International Law Commission to continue to pay special attention to indicating in its annual report, for each topic, any specific issues on which expressions of views by Governments, either in the Sixth Committee or in written form, would be of particular interest in providing effective guidance for the Commission in its further work;

24. *Takes note* of paragraphs 293 to 298 of the report of the International Law Commission with regard to cooperation and interaction with other bodies, and encourages the Commission to continue the implementation of articles 16 (e), 25 and 26 of its statute in order to further strengthen cooperation between the Commission and other bodies concerned with international law, having in mind the usefulness of such cooperation;

25. *Notes* that consulting with national organizations and individual experts concerned with international law may assist Governments in considering whether to make comments and observations on drafts submitted by the International Law Commission and in formulating their comments and observations;

26. *Reaffirms* its previous decisions concerning the indispensable role of the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat in providing assistance to the International Law Commission, including in the preparation of

memorandums and studies on topics on the agenda of the Commission;

27. *Also reaffirms* its previous decisions concerning the documentation and summary records of the International Law Commission;³³

28. *Takes note* of paragraph 281 of the report of the International Law Commission, stresses the need to expedite the preparation of the summary records of the International Law Commission, welcomes the continuation of the measures taken to streamline the processing of summary records during the sixty-fifth session of the Commission,³⁴ which have led to a more rational use of resources, and expresses its satisfaction that the summary records of the Commission, constituting *travaux préparatoires* in the progressive development and codification of international law, will not be subject to arbitrary length restrictions;

29. *Welcomes* the institutionalization of the practice of the Secretariat to include on the website of the International Law Commission the provisional summary records in English and French relating to the work of the Commission;

30. *Also welcomes* the efforts of the Secretariat in seeking to ensure the timely and efficient processing of the documents of the International Law Commission and the institutionalization of the experimental measures taken during the sixty-eighth session of the Commission to streamline the editing of those documents;

31. *Takes note* of paragraph 280 of the report of the International Law Commission, and underlines the importance of the publications of the Codification Division to the work of the Commission, welcomes in particular the issuance of the tenth edition of *The Work of the International Law Commission* in Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish and of volume 26 of the *United Nations Legislative Series* entitled *Materials on the Provisional Application of Treaties*,³⁵ and reiterates its request that the Secretary-General continue to publish *The Work of the International Law Commission* in all six official languages at the beginning of each quinquennium, the *Reports of International Arbitral Awards* in English or French and the *Summaries of the Judgments, Advisory Opinions and Orders of the International Court of Justice* in all six official languages every five years;

³³ See resolutions [32/151](#), para. 10, and [37/111](#), para. 5, and all subsequent resolutions on the annual reports of the International Law Commission to the General Assembly; see also *Yearbook of the International Law Commission 1982*, vol. II (Part Two), paras. 267–269 and 271, as well as all subsequent annual reports of the International Law Commission.

³⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/68/10)*, para. 183.

³⁵ See resolution [76/113](#), para. 5, and *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-sixth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/76/10)*, para. 49.

32. *Also takes note* of paragraph 284 of the report of the International Law Commission, expresses its appreciation to the United Nations Library at Geneva for the dedicated assistance accorded to the Commission, and notes the Commission's emphasis on the need for adequate funding to ensure the continuation of the Library's ability to function as a research library to assist the Commission in the performance of its mandate in the codification and progressive development of international law;

33. *Further takes note* of paragraph 285 of the report of the International Law Commission, stresses the unique value of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure its timely publication in all official languages;

34. *Expresses its appreciation* to Governments that have made voluntary contributions to the trust fund on the backlog relating to the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*, and encourages further contributions to the trust fund;

(LA/COD/52
of 12 January 2024)
[\[available upon request\]](#)

35. *Takes note* of paragraph 286 of the report of the International Law Commission, expresses its satisfaction with the remarkable progress achieved in the past few years in reducing the backlog of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission* in all six languages, welcomes the efforts made by the Division of Conference Management of the United Nations Office at Geneva, especially its Editing Section, in effectively implementing relevant resolutions of the General Assembly calling for the reduction of the backlog, encourages that Division to provide continuous necessary support to the Editing Section in advancing the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*, and requests that updates on progress made in this respect be provided to the Commission on a regular basis;

36. *Welcomes* the continuous efforts of the Codification Division to maintain and improve the website relating to the work of the International Law Commission;

37. *Takes note* of paragraph 287 of the report of the International Law Commission and expresses its appreciation for contributions made to date to the trust fund to receive voluntary contributions for assistance to Special Rapporteurs of the International Law Commission or Chairs of its Study Groups and matters ancillary thereto, and invites further contributions to the trust fund, in accordance with the terms of the trust fund, including the need for the financial contributions not to be earmarked for any specific activity of the International Law Commission, its Special Rapporteurs or Chairs of its Study Groups;

(LA/COD/76
of 12 January 2024)
[\[available upon request\]](#)

38. *Expresses the hope* that the International Law Seminar will continue to be held in connection with the sessions of the

International Law Commission and that an increasing number of participants representing the principal legal systems of the world and from different countries in the various regions, including in particular those from developing countries, will be given the opportunity to attend the Seminar, as well as delegates to the Sixth Committee, and appeals to States to continue to make urgently needed voluntary contributions to the United Nations trust fund for the International Law Seminar;

39. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to provide the International Law Seminar with adequate services, including interpretation, as required, and encourages him to continue to consider ways to improve the structure and content of the Seminar;

40. *Underlines* the importance of the records and topical summary of the debate in the Sixth Committee for the deliberations of the International Law Commission, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to forward to the Commission, for its attention, the records of the debate on the report of the Commission, together with such written statements as delegations may circulate in conjunction with their oral statements, and to prepare and distribute a topical summary of the debate, following established practice;

41. *Requests* the Secretariat to circulate to States, as soon as possible after the conclusion of the session of the International Law Commission, chapter II of its report containing a summary of the work of that session, chapter III containing the specific issues on which the views of Governments would be of particular interest to the Commission and any draft provisions adopted on either first or second reading by the Commission;

42. *Also requests* the Secretariat to make the complete report of the International Law Commission available as soon as possible after the conclusion of the session of the Commission for the consideration of Member States with due anticipation and no later than the prescribed time limit for reports in the General Assembly;

43. *Encourages* the International Law Commission to continue to consider ways in which specific issues on which the views of Governments would be of particular interest to the Commission could be framed so as to help Governments to have a better appreciation of the issues on which responses are required;

44. *Recommends* that the debate on the report of the International Law Commission at the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly commence on 21 October 2024.

Peremptory norms of general international law (*jus cogens*) (agenda item 79)

Res. [78/109](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

3. *Takes note* of the draft conclusions on identification and legal consequences of peremptory norms of general international law (*jus cogens*) and the annex and commentaries thereto;

4. *Also takes note* of the range of comments and observations on the draft conclusions on identification and legal consequences of peremptory norms of general international law (*jus cogens*) and the annex and commentaries thereto, whether submitted in writing by Governments or expressed in debates of the Sixth Committee,³⁶ including those made at the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly.

Expulsion of aliens (agenda item 81)

Res. [78/110](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of Consideration and Documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

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

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its eighty-first session the item entitled "Expulsion of aliens", with a view to examining, inter alia, the question of the form that might be given to the articles or any other appropriate action, and invites Member States to further engage on the subject and to address in their interventions not only this question, but also their views on the content of the articles.

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (agenda item 82)

Res. [78/111](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Decides* that the Special Committee shall hold its next session from 20 to 28 February 2024;

[\(LA/COD/14](#),
of 9 January 2024)

3. *Requests* the Special Committee, at its session in 2024, in accordance with paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution [50/52](#) of 11 December 1995:

(a) To continue its consideration of all proposals concerning the question of the maintenance of international peace and security in all its aspects in order to strengthen the role of the United Nations and, in this context, to consider other proposals relating to the maintenance of international peace and security already submitted or which may be submitted to the

³⁶ The written comments of the Governments are available on the website of the International Law Commission, at https://legal.un.org/ilc/guide/1_14.shtml. The statements made in the Sixth Committee are available in full (in the original languages) on the website of the Sixth Committee, at www.un.org/en/ga/sixth/.

Special Committee at its session in 2024, including strengthening the relationship and cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations or arrangements in the peaceful settlement of disputes;

(b) To consider, in accordance with paragraph 2 of the annex to resolution [71/146](#) of 13 December 2016, in an appropriate, substantive manner and framework, the question of the implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations relating to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (Article 50 of the Charter) based on all of the related reports of the Secretary-General³⁷ and the proposals submitted on the question, and requests the Secretary-General to submit his next report on this issue to the General Assembly at its eightieth session;

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

(d) To consider, as appropriate, any proposal referred to it by the General Assembly in the implementation of the decisions of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the Assembly in September 2005 that concern the Charter and any amendments thereto;

(e) To continue to consider, on a priority basis, ways and means of improving its working methods and enhancing its efficiency and utilization of resources with a view to identifying widely acceptable measures for future implementation;

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

5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to brief the Special Committee at its next session on the information referred to in paragraph 15 of his report on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions;³⁸

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

³⁷ [A/48/573-S/26705](#), [A/49/356](#), [A/50/60-S/1995/1](#), [A/50/361](#), [A/50/423](#), [A/51/317](#), [A/52/308](#), [A/53/312](#), [A/54/383](#), [A/54/383/Add.1](#), [A/55/295](#), [A/55/295/Add.1](#), [A/56/303](#), [A/57/165](#), [A/57/165/Add.1](#), [A/58/346](#), [A/59/334](#), [A/60/320](#), [A/61/304](#), [A/62/206](#), [A/62/206/Corr.1](#), [A/63/224](#), [A/64/225](#), [A/65/217](#), [A/66/213](#), [A/67/190](#), [A/68/226](#), [A/69/119](#), [A/70/119](#), [A/71/166](#), [A/72/136](#), [A/74/152](#), [A/76/186](#) and [A/78/114](#).

³⁸ [A/78/114](#).

consistent with the Manila Declaration on the Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes,³⁹ and in that regard:

(a) Bearing in mind paragraph 5 (b) of its resolution [77/109](#) of 7 December 2022, invites Member States to focus their comments during the thematic debate, to be held at the next session of the Special Committee, at the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly, on the subtopic “Exchange of information on State practices regarding the use of good offices”, while ensuring that the other means of dispute settlement will be discussed at the subsequent sessions of the Special Committee;

(b) Further invites Member States to comment on the subtopics of the annual debate in their general statements with a view to having the texts of those statements posted on the website of the Special Committee;⁴⁰

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

7. *Also recalls* its endorsement of the decisions and recommendations adopted by the Special Committee at its 2016 session, in particular as set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the annex to resolution [71/146](#);

8. *Invites* the Special Committee, at its session in 2024, to continue to identify new subjects for consideration in its future work with a view to contributing to the revitalization of the work of the United Nations;

9. *Notes* the readiness of the Special Committee to provide, within its mandate, such assistance as may be sought at the request of other subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly in relation to any issues before them;

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

11. *Recognizes* the important role of the International Court of Justice, the principal judicial organ of the United Nations, in adjudicating disputes among States and the value of its work, as well as the importance of having recourse to the Court in the peaceful settlement of disputes, notes that, consistent with Article 96 of the Charter, the Court’s advisory jurisdiction may be requested by the General Assembly, the Security Council or other authorized organs of the United Nations and the specialized agencies, and requests the Secretary-General to distribute, in due course, the advisory opinions requested by the principal organs of the United Nations as official documents of the United Nations;

12. *Commends* the Secretary-General for the progress made in the preparation of studies for the *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs*, including the use of the internship

³⁹ Resolution [37/10](#), annex.

⁴⁰ <https://legal.un.org/committees/charter/>.

programme of the United Nations and cooperation with academic institutions for this purpose, as well as the progress made towards updating the *Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council*;

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

14. *Notes with appreciation* the contributions made by Member States to the trust fund for the elimination of the backlog in the *Repertory* and to the trust fund for the updating of the *Repertoire*, as well as other contributions, including the sponsoring of associate experts to assist in the updating of the *Repertoire*;

15. *Reiterates its call for* voluntary contributions to the trust fund for the elimination of the backlog in the *Repertory* so as to further support the Secretariat in carrying out the effective elimination of that backlog; voluntary contributions to the trust fund for the updating of the *Repertoire* so as to sustain the annual publication schedule; and the sponsoring, on a voluntary basis and with no cost to the United Nations, of associate experts to assist in the updating of the two publications;

(LA/COD/46,
of 19 December 2023;
[\[available upon request\]](#)
and [LA/COD/46/1](#),
of 19 December 2023)

16. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to continue his efforts towards updating the two publications and making them available electronically in all their respective language versions, and encourages the continued updating of the websites for the *Repertory*⁴¹ and for the *Repertoire*;⁴²

17. *Notes with concern* that the backlog in the preparation of all volumes of the *Repertory*, in particular volume III, although slightly reduced, has not been eliminated, and calls upon the Secretary-General to address that issue effectively and on a priority basis, while commending the Secretary-General for progress made in reducing the backlog;

18. *Reiterates* the responsibility of the Secretary-General for the quality of the *Repertory* and the *Repertoire*, and with regard to the *Repertoire* calls upon the Secretary-General to continue to follow the modalities outlined in paragraphs 102 to 106 of his report dated 18 September 1952;⁴³

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

20. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled "Report of the Special

⁴¹ <https://legal.un.org/repertory/>.

⁴² www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/repertoire/structure.

⁴³ [A/2170](#).

Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization”.

The rule of law at the national and international levels (agenda item 83)⁴⁴

Res. [78/112](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Recalls* the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the rule of law at the national and international levels, held during the high-level segment of its sixty-seventh session, and the declaration adopted at that meeting,⁴⁵ takes note of the report of the Secretary-General submitted pursuant to paragraph 41 of the declaration,⁴⁶ and requests the Sixth Committee to continue its consideration of ways and means of further developing the linkages between the rule of law and the three pillars of the United Nations;
2. *Acknowledges* the efforts to strengthen the rule of law through voluntary pledges, encourages all States to consider making pledges, individually or jointly, based on their national priorities, and also encourages those States that have made pledges to continue to exchange information, knowledge and best practices in this regard;
3. *Takes note* of the annual report of the Secretary-General on strengthening and coordinating United Nations rule of law activities;⁴⁷
4. *Encourages* the Secretary-General and the United Nations system to accord high priority to rule of law activities;
5. *Reaffirms* the role of the General Assembly in encouraging the progressive development of international law and its codification, and further reaffirms that States shall abide by all of their obligations under international law;
8. *Reaffirms its commitment* to working tirelessly for the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,⁴⁸ and recalls that the goals and targets are integrated and indivisible and balance the three dimensions of sustainable development;
9. *Recognizes* the role of multilateral and bilateral treaties and treaty processes in advancing the rule of law, and encourages States to further consider the promotion of treaties

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

⁴⁴ By its resolution [75/248](#), the General Assembly invited the Sixth Committee to consider the legal aspects of the report to be submitted by the Secretary-General, without prejudice to the role of the Fifth Committee as the Main Committee entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters. On that basis, the Assembly decided to allocate this item to the Fifth Committee and the Sixth Committee.

⁴⁵ Resolution [67/1](#).

⁴⁶ [A/68/213/Add.1](#).

⁴⁷ [A/78/184](#).

⁴⁸ Resolution [70/1](#).

in areas where international cooperation could benefit from treaties;

10. *Welcomes* the dialogue initiated by the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group and the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General with Member States on the topic “Promoting the rule of law at the international level”, and calls for the continuation of this dialogue with a view to fostering the rule of law at the international level;

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

12. *Stresses* the importance of adherence to the rule of law at the national level and the need to strengthen support to Member States, upon their request, in the domestic implementation of their respective international obligations through enhanced technical assistance and capacity-building in order to develop, reinforce and maintain domestic institutions active in the promotion of rule of law at the national and international levels, subject to national ownership, strategies and priorities;

13. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to ensure greater coordination and coherence among the United Nations entities and with donors and recipients, and reiterates its call for greater evaluation of the effectiveness of such activities, including possible measures to improve the effectiveness of those capacity-building activities;

14. *Calls*, in this context, for dialogue to be enhanced among all stakeholders, with a view to placing national perspectives at the centre of rule of law assistance in order to strengthen national ownership, while recognizing that rule of law activities must be anchored in a national context and that States have different national experiences in the development of their systems of the rule of law, taking into account their legal, political, socioeconomic, cultural, religious and other local specificities, while also recognizing that there are common features founded on international norms and standards;

15. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General and the United Nations system to systematically address, as appropriate, aspects of the rule of law in relevant activities, including the participation of women in rule of law-related activities, recognizing the importance of the rule of law to virtually all areas of United Nations engagement;

16. *Expresses full support* for the overall coordination and coherence role of the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group within the United Nations system, within existing

mandates, supported by the Rule of Law Unit and under the leadership of the Deputy Secretary-General;

17. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit, in a timely manner, his next annual report on United Nations rule of law activities, in accordance with paragraph 5 of its resolution [63/128](#) of 11 December 2008, addressing, in a balanced manner, the national and international dimensions of the rule of law;

19. *Recalls* the commitment of Member States to take all necessary steps to provide fair, transparent, effective, non-discriminatory and accountable services that promote access to justice for all, including legal aid, encourages further dialogue and the sharing of national practices and expertise in strengthening the rule of law through access to justice, including with regard to the provision of birth registration for all, appropriate registration and documentation of refugees, migrants, asylum seekers and stateless persons, and legal aid, where appropriate, in both criminal and civil proceedings, and in this regard recognizes the role of knowledge and technology, including in judicial systems, and stresses the need to intensify the assistance extended to Governments upon their request;

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

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

21. *Invites* the International Court of Justice, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law and the International Law Commission to continue to comment, in their respective reports to the General Assembly, on their current roles in promoting the rule of law;

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

23. *Stresses* the need for the Rule of Law Unit to carry out its tasks in an effective and sustainable manner and the need to provide it with reasonable means required to that effect;

24. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “The rule of law at the national and international levels”, and invites Member States to focus their comments during the upcoming Sixth Committee debate on the subtopic “The full, equal and equitable participation at all levels in the international legal system”.

The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction (agenda item 84)

Res. [78/113](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Decides* that the Sixth Committee shall continue its consideration of the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, without prejudice to the consideration of this topic and related issues in other forums of the United Nations, and for this purpose reiterates its decision to establish, at its seventy-ninth session, a working group of the Sixth Committee to continue to undertake a thorough discussion of the scope and application of universal jurisdiction;

3. *Invites* the working group of the Sixth Committee, to be established at its seventy-ninth session, to consider and comment on the question “on the relevant elements of a working concept of universal jurisdiction”;

4. *Invites* Member States and relevant observers to the General Assembly, as appropriate, to submit, before 26 April 2024, information and observations on the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, including, where appropriate, information on the relevant applicable international treaties and on their national legal rules and judicial practice, and requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session reviewing all the submissions of Member States and relevant observers, as well as views expressed in the debates of the Sixth Committee, since the sixty-second session of the Assembly and identifying possible convergences and divergences on the definition, scope and application of universal jurisdiction for the consideration of the Committee;

5. *Decides* that the working group shall be open to all Member States and that relevant observers to the General Assembly will be invited to participate in the work of the working group;

6. *Also decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction”.

26 April 2024
([LA/COD/59/1](#) and
[LA/COD/59/2](#)
of 27 December 2023)

Responsibility of international organizations (agenda item 85)

Res. [78/114](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Takes note once again* of the articles on the responsibility of international organizations,⁴⁹ and commends them to the attention of Governments and international organizations without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to update the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and to invite Governments and international organizations to submit information on their practice in this regard, as well as written comments on any future action regarding the articles, and also requests the Secretary-General to submit this material well in advance of its eighty-first session;
3. *Invites* States to engage in substantive dialogue on this topic on an informal basis during the intersessional periods;
4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its eighty-first session the item entitled “Responsibility of international organizations”, with a view to further examining the recommendation of the International Law Commission contained in paragraph 85 (b) of its report on the work of its sixty-third session, namely “to consider, at a later stage, the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the draft articles”, or any other appropriate action, and invites the Sixth Committee to consider at a later stage the framework, if any, in which it could continue its examination of this topic.

1 February 2026
([LA/COD/43/1](#) and
[LA/COD/43/2](#)
of 9 January 2024)

⁴⁹ Resolution [66/100](#), annex.

Strengthening and promoting the international treaty framework (agenda item 87)

Res. [78/236](#), 22 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Notes* that some Member States continue to consider that there remain outstanding issues where the regulations may need further consideration;
3. *Reaffirms its support* for the annual treaty event organized by the Secretary-General;
4. *Welcomes* the organization of workshops on treaty law and practice by the Treaty Section at Headquarters and at the national and regional levels as an important capacity-building initiative, encourages the Treaty Section to continue to organize these workshops as regularly as possible, including through the use of information and communications technology when necessary owing to extraordinary circumstances, and invites States and interested international organizations and institutions to continue to support this activity;
5. *Notes* that workshops on treaty law and practice at the national and regional levels could not be organized since 2016, including owing to insufficiency of funds, invites States and interested organizations and institutions to make voluntary contributions to the trust fund established by the Secretary-General for the Office of Legal Affairs to support the promotion of international law, towards the financing of such workshops, or otherwise to assist in their implementation and possible expansion, as a complement to workshops on treaty law and practice held at Headquarters, and expresses its appreciation for the voluntary contribution made to support the organization of such workshops;
6. *Welcomes* efforts to build the capacity of States in treaty law and practice, and invites Member States to consider providing targeted technical assistance, upon request, at the bilateral, regional and multilateral levels, in particular to developing countries, in order to develop and enhance their treaty practice, including in the use of information and communications technology;
7. *Also welcomes* the efforts made to develop and enhance the United Nations electronic treaty database, which provides online access to comprehensive information on the depositary functions of the Secretary-General and the registration and publication of treaties under Article 102 of the Charter, and encourages the continuation of such efforts in the future, while bearing in mind the challenges that many developing countries face in accessing information and communications technology;
8. *Notes* that most submissions of treaties for registration are in electronic format, and encourages the Secretary-General to develop, in consultation with and on the basis of feedback from Member States and within existing resources, an online treaty registration system to facilitate submissions of treaties for registration, as an additional option to the existing ways of submission in electronic or hard-copy format;

9. *Recognizes* the importance of the legal publications prepared by the Treaty Section, and stresses the need to update the *Summary of Practice of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Treaties* in the light of new developments and practices;

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

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

12. *Also calls upon* the Secretary-General to strengthen the capacity of the Treaty Section to perform its responsibilities and functions under the Charter, multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General and relevant General Assembly resolutions, as well as to meet the increasing demands in the performance of these functions;

14. *Takes note* of the subtopics suggested by some Member States for consideration for future thematic debates, and requests the Secretariat to maintain a non-exhaustive indicative list of such subtopics and circulate it sufficiently in advance of the meetings of the Sixth Committee on the agenda item;

15. *Decides* to undertake a regular thematic debate in the Sixth Committee to foster a technical exchange of views on practice relating to the strengthening and promoting of the international treaty framework, and in that regard invites Member States to focus their comments during the debate at the eightieth session of the General Assembly on the subtopic “The role of technology in shaping treaty-making practice”, and requests the Secretary-General to invite Governments and international organizations to submit information on their practice in this regard, and to provide, at its eightieth session, a report with information on practice related to the subtopic taking into account these submissions;

16. *Requests* the Secretary-General to strengthen the capacity of the Treaty Section to support the regular thematic debate in the Sixth Committee, including for the preparation of the report on the subtopic selected for each session so that it can be made available sufficiently in advance of the meetings of the Sixth Committee on the agenda item;

17. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its eightieth session the item entitled “Strengthening and promoting the international treaty framework”.

28 February 2025
([LA 41/TS/2024/DN](#)
of 18 January 2024)

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (agenda item 109)

Res. [78/115](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Strongly condemns* all acts, methods and practices of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations as criminal and unjustifiable, wherever and by whomsoever committed;
2. *Calls upon* all Member States, the United Nations and other appropriate international, regional and subregional organizations to implement the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, as well as the resolutions relating to the subsequent reviews of the Strategy, in all its aspects at the international, regional, subregional and national levels without delay, including by mobilizing resources and expertise;
3. *Recalls* the pivotal role of the General Assembly in following up the implementation and the updating of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, looks forward to the ninth review, in 2026, and in this regard recalls its invitation to the Secretary-General to contribute to the future deliberations of the Assembly, and requests the Secretary-General when doing so to provide information on relevant activities within the Secretariat to ensure overall coordination and coherence in the counter-terrorism efforts of the United Nations system;
4. *Reiterates* that criminal acts intended or calculated to provoke a state of terror in the general public, a group of persons or particular persons for political purposes are in any circumstances unjustifiable, whatever the considerations of a political, philosophical, ideological, racial, ethnic, religious or other nature that may be invoked to justify them;
5. *Reiterates its call upon* all States to adopt further measures in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the relevant provisions of international law, including international standards of human rights, to prevent terrorism and to strengthen international cooperation in combating terrorism and, to that end, to consider, in particular, the implementation of the measures set out in paragraphs 3 (a) to (f) of General Assembly resolution [51/210](#);
6. *Also reiterates its call upon* all States, with the aim of enhancing the efficient implementation of relevant legal instruments, to intensify, as and where appropriate, the exchange of information on facts related to terrorism and, in so doing, to avoid the dissemination of inaccurate or unverified information;
7. *Reiterates its call upon* States to refrain from financing, encouraging, providing training for or otherwise supporting terrorist activities;
8. *Expresses concern* at the increase in incidents of kidnapping and hostage-taking with demands for ransom and/or political concessions by terrorist groups, and expresses the need to address this issue;
9. *Expresses grave concern* over the acute and growing threat posed by foreign terrorist fighters, namely, individuals who travel to a State other than their States of residence or nationality for the purpose of the perpetration, planning or preparation of, or participation in, terrorist acts or providing or

receiving terrorist training, including in connection with armed conflict, emphasizes the need for States to address this issue, including through the implementation of their international obligations, and underlines the importance of United Nations capacity-building and facilitation of capacity-building in accordance with existing mandates to assist States, including those in the most affected regions, upon their request;

10. *Emphasizes* the need for States to cooperate resolutely against international terrorism by taking speedy and effective measures to eliminate this scourge, and in this regard calls upon all States, in accordance with their obligations under applicable international law and the Charter, to deny safe haven and bring to justice or, where appropriate, extradite, on the basis of the principle of extradite or prosecute, the perpetrators of terrorist acts or any person who supports, facilitates or participates or attempts to participate in the financing, planning or preparation of terrorist acts;

11. *Urges* States to ensure that their nationals or other persons and entities within their territory that wilfully provide or collect funds for the benefit of persons or entities who commit, or attempt to commit, facilitate or participate in the commission of terrorist acts are punished by penalties consistent with the grave nature of such acts;

12. *Reminds* States of their obligations under relevant international conventions and protocols, and Security Council resolutions, including Council resolution [1373 \(2001\)](#), to ensure that perpetrators of terrorist acts are brought to justice, and recalls the General Assembly resolutions on measures to eliminate international terrorism;

13. *Reaffirms* that international cooperation as well as actions by States to combat terrorism should be conducted in conformity with the principles of the Charter, international law and relevant international conventions;

14. *Recalls* the adoption of the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism,⁵⁰ the Amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material,⁵¹ the Protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation⁵² and the Protocol of 2005 to the Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf,⁵³ and urges all States to consider, as a matter of priority, becoming parties to these instruments;

15. *Urges* all States that have not yet done so to consider, as a matter of priority and in accordance with Security Council

⁵⁰ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2445, No. 44004.

⁵¹ Adopted on 8 July 2005 by the Conference to Consider and Adopt Proposed Amendments to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (International Atomic Energy Agency, document GOV/INF/2005/10-GC(49)/INF/6, attachment).

⁵² Adopted on 14 October 2005 by the Diplomatic Conference on the Revision of the SUA Treaties (International Maritime Organization, document LEG/CONF.15/21).

⁵³ Adopted on 14 October 2005 by the Diplomatic Conference on the Revision of the SUA Treaties (International Maritime Organization, document LEG/CONF.15/22).

resolution [1373 \(2001\)](#) and Council resolution [1566 \(2004\)](#) of 8 October 2004, becoming parties to the relevant conventions and protocols as referred to in paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution [51/210](#), as well as the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings,⁵⁴ the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism,⁵⁵ the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism and the Amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, and calls upon all States to enact, as appropriate, the national legislation necessary to implement the provisions of those conventions and protocols, to ensure that the jurisdiction of their courts enables them to bring to trial the perpetrators of terrorist acts and to cooperate with and provide support and assistance to other States and relevant international, regional and subregional organizations to that end;

16. *Urges* States to cooperate with the Secretary-General and with one another, as well as with interested intergovernmental organizations, with a view to ensuring, where appropriate within existing mandates, that technical and other expert advice is provided to those States requiring and requesting assistance in becoming parties to and implementing the conventions and protocols referred to in paragraph 15 above;

17. *Notes with appreciation and satisfaction* that, consistent with the call contained in paragraphs 14 and 15 of General Assembly resolution [77/113](#) of 7 December 2022, a number of States became parties to the relevant conventions and protocols referred to therein, thereby realizing the objective of wider acceptance and implementation of those conventions;

18. *Reaffirms* the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution [49/60](#), and the Declaration to Supplement the 1994 Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, contained in the annex to Assembly resolution [51/210](#), and calls upon all States to implement them;

19. *Calls upon* all States to cooperate to prevent and suppress terrorist acts;

20. *Urges* all States and the Secretary-General, in their efforts to prevent international terrorism, to make the best use of the existing institutions of the United Nations;

21. *Notes* that the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre is performing its duties within the Office of Counter-Terrorism and that the Centre is supporting the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, and encourages all Member States to collaborate with the Centre and to contribute to the implementation of its activities within the Office;

⁵⁴ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2149, No. 37517.

⁵⁵ *Ibid.*, vol. 2178, No. 38349.

22. *Requests* the Terrorism Prevention Branch of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in Vienna to continue its efforts to enhance, through its mandate, the capabilities of the United Nations in the prevention of terrorism, and recognizes, in the context of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and Security Council resolution [1373 \(2001\)](#), its role in assisting States in becoming parties to and implementing the relevant international conventions and protocols relating to terrorism, including the most recent among them, and in strengthening international cooperation mechanisms in criminal matters related to terrorism, including through national capacity-building upon request;

23. *Invites* regional intergovernmental organizations to submit to the Secretary-General information on the measures that they have adopted at the regional level to eliminate international terrorism, as well as on intergovernmental meetings held by those organizations;

31 May 2024
([LA/COD/11/3](#)
of 4 January 2024)

24. *Decides* to recommend that the Sixth Committee, at the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly, establish a working group with a view to finalizing the process on the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism as well as discussions on the item included in its agenda by Assembly resolution [54/110](#) concerning the question of convening a high-level conference under the auspices of the United Nations;

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

26. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled "Measures to eliminate international terrorism".

Administration of justice at the United Nations (agenda item 144)⁵⁶

Res. [78/248](#), 22 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

6. *Reaffirms* its decision, contained in paragraph 4 of its resolution [61/261](#), to establish a new, independent, transparent, professionalized, adequately resourced and decentralized system of administration of justice consistent with the relevant rules of international law and the principles of the rule of law and due process to ensure respect for the rights and obligations of staff members and the accountability of managers and staff members alike;

7. *Commends* the Secretary-General for ensuring the availability of outreach documents in all six official languages, requests the Secretary-General to intensify his efforts to implement multilingualism within the system of administration

⁵⁶ By its resolution [76/242](#), the General Assembly invited the Sixth Committee to consider the legal aspects of the report to be submitted by the Secretary-General, without prejudice to the role of the Fifth Committee as the Main Committee entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters. On that basis, the Assembly decided to allocate this item to the Fifth Committee and the Sixth Committee.

of justice, and also requests the Secretary-General to report on his efforts to continue to promote multilingualism in the system of administration of justice in the context of his future reports;

8. *Recalls* paragraph 6 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and further requests the Secretary-General to provide a comprehensive assessment of the functioning of the system of administration of justice in his next report;

II

Informal system

9. *Recognizes* that the informal system of administration of justice is an efficient and effective option both for staff who seek redress of grievances and for the participation of managers;

10. *Reaffirms* that the informal resolution of conflict is a crucial element of the system of administration of justice, emphasizes that all possible use should be made of the informal system in order to avoid unnecessary litigation, without prejudice to the basic right of staff members to access the formal system, and encourages recourse to the informal resolution of disputes;

11. *Decides* to regularize the pilot project for access of non-staff personnel to the services of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, within existing resources;

III

Formal system

14. *Decides* to approve the following amendment to the statute of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal:

Article 9, new paragraph 4:

4. In hearing an application to appeal an administrative decision imposing a disciplinary measure, the Dispute Tribunal shall pass judgment on the application by conducting a judicial review. In conducting a judicial review, the Dispute Tribunal shall consider the record assembled by the Secretary-General and may admit other evidence to make an assessment on whether the facts on which the disciplinary measure was based have been established by evidence; whether the established facts legally amount to misconduct; whether the applicant's due process rights were observed; and whether the disciplinary measure imposed was proportionate to the offence.

IV

Other issues

15. *Invites* the Sixth Committee to consider the legal aspects of the report to be submitted by the Secretary-General, without prejudice to the role of the Fifth Committee as the Main

Committee entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters;

16. *Recalls* paragraph 44 of its resolution [73/276](#) and paragraph 35 of its resolution [77/260](#), stresses that the system of administration of justice must work in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the legal and regulatory framework approved by the General Assembly, and reaffirms that the Dispute Tribunal and the Appeals Tribunal shall exercise their powers according to their respective statutes.

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (agenda item 161)

Res. [78/116](#), 7 Dec. 2023

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Considers* that the maintenance of appropriate conditions for ensuring normal functioning of the delegations and the missions accredited to the United Nations and the observance of their privileges and immunities, which cannot be subject to any restrictions arising from the bilateral relations of the host country, are in the interest of the United Nations and all Member States, notes the efforts made by the host country to this end and also notes with concern that numerous issues raised before the Committee continue to remain unresolved, takes seriously concerns raised by permanent missions regarding the normal performance of their functions, notes that the Committee expresses its readiness to effectively address them and expects that all issues raised at its meetings that remain unresolved will be duly settled expeditiously, in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law, notes that the Committee encourages Member States to bring issues to the attention of the host country and the Committee as soon as they occur, requests the host country to continue to solve, preferably through negotiations, problems that might arise and to take all appropriate steps to protect the premises of missions against any intrusion or damage and to prevent any disturbance of the peace of missions or impairment of their dignity, and urges the host country to continue to take appropriate action, such as the training of police, security, customs and border control officers, with a view to maintaining respect for diplomatic privileges and immunities, and to continue efforts to ensure that diplomats transiting to and from United Nations Headquarters are treated respectfully, and, if violations occur, to ensure that such cases are properly investigated and remedied, in accordance with applicable law, and in this regard that the Committee notes the serious concerns raised by a Member State expressing the inappropriate treatment and screening of certain of its high-ranking officials by host country Customs and Border Protection officers and requests the host country to carefully investigate these concerns and take the necessary preventive and remedial action, as appropriate;

3. *Recalls* the privileges and immunities applicable to the premises of the permanent missions to the United Nations enjoyed under international law, in particular the instruments listed in paragraph 146 (a) of the report of the Committee, and the obligations of the host country to observe such privileges

and immunities, takes note of the alleged ongoing violations thereof by the host country and of the repeated concerns expressed thereon, urges the host country to remove without delay any restrictions applied to the premises of a Permanent Mission inconsistent with those privileges and immunities, and in that regard to ensure respect for such privileges and immunities, expresses concern regarding the lack of resolution of these matters, remains seized of these matters, and anticipates that they shall be duly addressed in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law;

4. *Also recalls* that, prior to the institution by the host country of any proceedings that require any person referred to in article IV, section 11, of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations, including representatives of a Member State, to leave the host country, article IV, section 13 (b) (1) of the Headquarters Agreement, inter alia, requires the host country to consult with the Member State, the Secretary-General or other principal executive officer, as appropriate, and considers that, given the seriousness of any such measure being exercised by the host country, the consultation should be meaningful;

5. *Notes* the problems experienced by some permanent missions to the United Nations in connection with the implementation of the Parking Programme for Diplomatic Vehicles,⁵⁷ and notes that the Committee shall remain seized of the matter, with a view to continuing to maintain the proper implementation of the Parking Programme in a manner that is fair, non-discriminatory, effective and therefore consistent with international law;

6. *Strongly urges* the host country to remove all travel restrictions imposed by it on staff of certain missions and staff members of the Secretariat of certain nationalities, and, recalling privileges and immunities enjoyed by the representatives of Member States and staff members of the Secretariat under applicable international law, notes the easing in 2023 of travel restrictions on two Missions as well as the modification of restrictions for Secretariat staff by increasing authorized ports of entry and recalls the lifting in 2021 of the more stringent travel restrictions applicable to one Mission, while remaining concerned about the more stringent travel restrictions applied to a Mission in 2021 and additional restrictions applied to the same Mission in late 2022 and extremely narrow implementation thereof, and the statements of affected delegations that travel restrictions impede their ability to carry out their functions and negatively impact their staff and families, and notes the positions of affected States, as reflected in the report of the Secretary-General, of the host country and of the Legal Counsel, as set out in document [A/AC.154/415](#), according to which, inter alia, “there is no room for the application of measures based on reciprocity in the treatment accorded to permanent missions accredited to the United Nations in New York”;

⁵⁷ [A/AC.154/355](#), annex.

7. *Recalls* article IV of the Headquarters Agreement, notes the concerns expressed by some delegations concerning the denial and delay of entry visas to representatives of Member States, and further notes a relative decrease in the percentage of visas not issued and at the same time that the Committee remains seized of a range of visa issues that should be expeditiously resolved in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law, including the Headquarters Agreement;

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

9. *Anticipates* that the host country will ensure the issuance of entry visas to all representatives of Member States and members of the Secretariat pursuant to article IV, sections 11 and 13, of the Headquarters Agreement, in a timely manner, to enable persons recruited to serve in the Secretariat or assigned as members of permanent missions to take up their assignments as promptly as possible and to enable representatives of Member States to travel, in a timely manner, to New York on United Nations business, including to attend official United Nations meetings, and notes that the Committee anticipates that the host country will continue to enhance efforts, including visa issuance, to facilitate the participation of representatives of Member States in other United Nations meetings, as appropriate;

10. *Notes* that a number of delegations have requested shortening the time frame applied by the host country for issuance and renewal of visas to representatives of Member States and members of their families, since the present time frame poses difficulties for the full-fledged participation of Member States in United Nations meetings, and invites the host country to inform the Committee, as appropriate, of efforts to address such difficulties, and while acknowledging that action taken in 2023 led to a relative reduction in processing times for certain Missions, remains seriously concerned that other Missions and Secretariat staff members of certain nationalities continue to be adversely impacted by processing times, and also notes that the Committee calls upon the host country to review its differing processes of granting visas to the personnel of

certain missions, including single-entry visas, and the waiting time for issuance, with a view to ensuring that delegations are able to participate fully in the work of the United Nations;

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

12. *Stresses* the need for the permanent missions and the United Nations to benefit from appropriate banking services, and anticipates that the host country will continue to assist the permanent missions accredited to the United Nations and their staff in obtaining such services;

13. *Expresses its appreciation* for the efforts made by the United States Mission to the United Nations, including to respond to requests from the diplomatic community in the challenging circumstances caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic since March 2020, and expects that the issues raised at the meetings of the Committee will be resolved in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law, including the Headquarters Agreement;

14. *Affirms* the importance of the Committee being in a position to fulfil its mandate and meet on short notice to deal with urgent and important matters concerning the relations between the United Nations and the host country, and in that connection requests the Secretariat and the Committee on Conferences to accord priority to requests from the Committee on Relations with the Host Country for conference-servicing facilities for meetings of that Committee that must be held while the General Assembly and its Main Committees are meeting, without prejudice to the requirements of those bodies and on an "as available" basis;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to remain actively engaged in all aspects of the relations of the United Nations with the host country at various levels in order to resolve the issues raised in the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, and to more actively engage in the work of the Committee with a view to ensuring the representation of the interests concerned, in accordance with General Assembly resolution [2819 \(XXVI\)](#), and in this regard recalls the statements of the Legal Counsel at the emergency, 295th, meeting of the Committee, as set out in document [A/AC.154/415](#), and also at its online informal meeting on 17 September 2020, recalls the position of the Committee as set out in paragraph 144 (p) of its previous report⁵⁸ and that of the General Assembly as set out in paragraph 15 of its resolution [77/114](#) of 7 December 2022, notes the resourceful engagement of the Legal Counsel and the Secretary-General in discussions that have been formalized since the inclusion of subparagraph (p) in chapter IV of the report of the Committee in 2019⁵⁹ with the competent

⁵⁸ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-seventh Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/77/26)*.

⁵⁹ *Ibid.*, *Seventy-fourth Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/74/26)*.

authorities of the host country regarding unresolved issues and the Legal Counsel's reports on the outcome of these discussions, most recently at its 309th and 310th meetings, and further notes with concern that serious issues still persist without effective resolution, recalls in this regard, once more, that serious consideration should be given to taking steps under section 21 of the Headquarters Agreement if certain issues raised in the report of the Committee remained unresolved following a reasonable and finite period of time, and accordingly once again reiterates its request to the Secretary-General to now give the most serious consideration and take any appropriate steps under section 21 of the Headquarters Agreement and intensify efforts to expedite resolution of the issues;

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

17. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled "Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country".

2. Extracts from General Assembly resolutions adopted at prior sessions

Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts (77th session, 2022, agenda item 73)

Res. [77/97](#), 7 Dec. 2022

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Continues to acknowledge* the importance and usefulness of the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts,⁶⁰ and commends them once again to the attention of Governments, without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite Governments to submit further written comments on any future action regarding the articles;

1 February 2025
([LA/COD/26](#)
of 20 January 2023)

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to update the technical report listing, in a tabular format, the references to the articles contained in the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles prepared since 2001, and further requests the Secretary-General to submit such material during its eightieth session;

6. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to provide the General Assembly, at its eightieth session, with a report on all procedural options based on precedents regarding action taken on other products of the International Law Commission, without prejudice to

⁶⁰ Resolution [56/83](#), annex.

the question of whether such possible action is appropriate, and takes note of the discussions on procedural precedents for action on International Law Commission products and all views, comments and concerns expressed thereon;

7. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to update the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and to invite Governments to submit information on their practice in this regard, and also requests the Secretary-General to submit such material well in advance of its eightieth session;

1 February 2025
([LA/COD/26](#))
of 20 January 2023)

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its eightieth session the item entitled “Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts” and to further examine, within the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee and with a view to taking a decision, the question of a convention on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts or other appropriate action on the basis of the articles.

Crimes against humanity (agenda item 80)

Res. [77/249](#), 30 Dec. 2022

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Takes note once again* of the draft articles on prevention and punishment of crimes against humanity, presented by the Commission;⁶¹

4. *Decides* that the Sixth Committee shall resume its session for five days, from 10 to 14 April 2023, and for six days, from 1 to 5 April and 11 April 2024, in order to exchange substantive views, including in an interactive format, on all aspects of the draft articles, and to consider further the recommendation of the Commission contained in paragraph 42 of its report on the work of its seventy-first session for the elaboration of a convention by the General Assembly or by an international conference of plenipotentiaries on the basis of the draft articles;

5. *Also decides* that a written summary of the deliberations during the two resumed sessions referred to in paragraph 4 shall be prepared by the Sixth Committee at the end of the second resumed session;

6. *Invites* States to submit by the end of 2023 written comments and observations on the draft articles and on the recommendation of the Commission, and requests the Secretary-General to prepare and circulate a compilation of those comments and observations well in advance of the session of the Sixth Committee to be held in 2024;

1 December 2023
([LA/COD/66](#))
Of 20 January 2023)

7. *Decides* that the Sixth Committee, at the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly, in the light of the written comments and observations of Governments, as well as the views expressed in discussions at the seventy-seventh and seventy-eighth sessions of the General Assembly and the written summary, will further examine the draft articles and the recommendation of the Commission and take a

⁶¹ Ibid., chap. IV, sect. E.

decision on this matter, without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;

8. *Encourages* all Member States to continue the substantive dialogue on an informal basis during the period prior to the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly;

Diplomatic protection (77th session, 2022, agenda item 79)

Res. [77/105](#), 7 Dec. 2022

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Commends once again* the articles on diplomatic protection⁶² to the attention of Governments, and invites them to submit in writing to the Secretary-General any further comments, including comments concerning the recommendation by the International Law Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of the articles;

1 June 2025
([LA/COD/38](#),
of 10 January 2023)

2. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its eightieth session the item entitled "Diplomatic protection" and, taking into account the written comments submitted to the Secretary-General, as well as the views expressed in the debates held at the sixty-second, sixty-fifth, sixty-eighth, seventy-first, seventy-fourth and seventy-seventh sessions of the General Assembly, to continue to examine the question of a convention on diplomatic protection, or any other appropriate action, on the basis of the articles on diplomatic protection, with a view to identifying any difference of opinion on the articles;

3. *Encourages* all Member States to continue the substantive dialogue on an informal basis during the period prior to the eightieth session of the General Assembly.

Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm (77th session, 2022, agenda item 80)

Res. [77/106](#), 7 Dec. 2022

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

1. *Commends once again* the articles on prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities, the text of which is annexed to General Assembly resolution [62/68](#), to the attention of Governments, without prejudice to any future action, as recommended by the International Law Commission regarding the articles;

2. *Also commends once again* the principles on the allocation of loss in the case of transboundary harm arising out of hazardous activities, the text of which is annexed to General Assembly resolution [61/36](#), to the attention of Governments, without prejudice to any future action, as recommended by the Commission regarding the principles;

3. *Invites* Governments to submit further comments on any future action, in particular on the form of the respective articles and principles, bearing in mind the recommendations made by the Commission in that regard, including in relation to the elaboration of a convention on the basis

1 June 2027
([LA/COD/18](#),
of 20 January 2023)

⁶² Resolution [62/67](#), annex.

of the articles, as well as on any practice in relation to the application of the articles and principles;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and the principles;

([LA/COD/18](#)
of 20 January 2023)

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts (77th session, 2022, agenda item 81)

Res. [77/107](#), 7 Dec.
2022

[Sixth Committee website and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Calls upon* all States parties to the Geneva Conventions that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the Additional Protocols at the earliest possible date;

3. *Calls upon* all States that are already parties to Protocol I, or those States not parties, upon becoming parties to Protocol I, to make the declaration provided for under article 90 of that Protocol and to consider making use, where appropriate, of the services of the International Humanitarian Fact-Finding Commission in accordance with the provisions of article 90 of Protocol I;

4. *Calls upon* all States that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and the two Protocols thereto⁶³ and to other relevant treaties on international humanitarian law relating to the protection of victims of armed conflict;

5. *Calls upon* States to consider becoming parties to the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict;⁶⁴

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

9. *Calls upon* Member States to actively participate in the thirty-fourth International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, to be held in Geneva in 2024;

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

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a comprehensive report on the status of the Additional Protocols relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts,

1 June 2024
([LA/COD/2/1](#)
of 29 January 2024)

⁶³ *Ibid.*, vol. 249, No. 3511, and vol. 2253, No. 3511.

⁶⁴ *Ibid.*, vol. 2173, No. 27531.

as well as on measures taken to strengthen the existing body of international humanitarian law, inter alia, with respect to its dissemination and full implementation at the national level, based on information received from Member States and the International Committee of the Red Cross;

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

1 June 2024
([LA/COD/2/1](#); and
[LA/COD/2/2](#)
of 29 January 2024)

15. *Welcomes* the increasing trend of voluntary submissions transmitted to the Secretary-General, as requested in paragraph 12 of resolution [75/138](#), and encourages Member States to participate in the submission process at the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly;

1 June 2024
([LA/COD/2/1](#)
of 29 January 2024)

16. *Encourages* Member States to explore ways of facilitating the submission of information for future reports of the Secretary-General and, in this context, to consider the convenience of using a questionnaire as drafted by Member States, with the assistance of the International Committee of the Red Cross and, as appropriate, in consultation with the Secretariat, for submission to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session;

1 June 2024
([LA/COD/2/1](#)
of 29 January 2024)

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (77th session, 2022, agenda item 82)

Res. [77/108](#), 7 Dec.
2022

[Sixth Committee website and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

3. *Urges* States to strictly observe, implement and enforce, including during a period of armed conflict, all the applicable principles and rules of international law governing diplomatic and consular relations, including those relating to inviolability, and, in particular, to ensure, in conformity with their international obligations, the protection, security and safety of the missions, representatives and officials mentioned in paragraph 2 above officially present in territories under their jurisdiction, including practical measures to prevent and prohibit in their territories illegal activities of persons, groups and organizations that encourage, instigate, organize or engage in the perpetration of acts against the security and safety of such missions, representatives and officials;

4. *Also urges* States to take all appropriate measures at the national and international levels to prevent any acts of violence against the missions, representatives and officials mentioned in paragraph 2 above, including during a period of armed conflict, and to ensure, with the participation of the United Nations where appropriate, that such acts are fully investigated with a view to bringing offenders to justice;

6. *Urges* States to strictly comply with the applicable rules of international law governing the protection and inviolability of premises of diplomatic missions, consular premises and premises of permanent missions with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;

7. *Also urges* States to take all appropriate measures, in accordance with international law, at the national and international levels, to prevent

any abuse of diplomatic or consular privileges and immunities, in particular serious abuses, including those involving acts of violence;

9. *Calls upon* States that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the instruments relevant to the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives;

10. *Calls upon* States, in cases where a dispute arises in connection with a violation of their international obligations concerning the protection of the missions, their archives and premises or the security of the representatives and officials mentioned in paragraph 2 above, to make use of the means available for peaceful settlement of disputes, including the good offices of the Secretary-General, and requests the Secretary-General, when he deems it appropriate, to offer his good offices to the States directly concerned;

11. *Urges:*

(a) All States to report to the Secretary-General, in a concise and expeditious manner and in accordance with the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General,⁶⁵ serious violations of the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;

17 May 2024
([LA/COD/4](#)
of 13 February 2024)

(b) The State in which the violation took place – and, to the extent possible, the State where the alleged offender is present – to report to the Secretary-General, in a concise and expeditious manner and in accordance with the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General, on measures taken to bring the offender to justice and to communicate, in accordance with its laws, the final outcome of the proceedings against the offender, and to report on measures adopted with a view to preventing a repetition of such violations;

17 May 2024
([LA/COD/4](#)
of 13 February 2024)

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

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

(b) To circulate to all States, upon receipt, the reports received by him pursuant to paragraph 11 above, unless the reporting State requests otherwise;

(c) To draw the attention, when appropriate, of the States directly concerned to the reporting procedures provided for in paragraph 11 above, when a serious violation has been reported pursuant to paragraph 11 (a) above;

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

13. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to invite States, in the circular note referred to in paragraph 12 (a) above, to inform him of their views with respect to any measures needed or already taken to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives

17 May 2024
([LA/COD/4](#)
of 13 February 2024)

⁶⁵ [A/42/485](#), annex.

as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations;

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

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

17 May 2024

[\(LA/COD/4](#)

of 13 February 2024)

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

15. *Invites* the Secretary-General to include in his report to the General Assembly any views he may wish to express on the matters referred to in paragraph 14 above;

The law of transboundary aquifers (77th session, 2022, agenda item 86)

Res. [77/112](#), 7 Dec. 2022

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

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

[\(LA/COD/58](#)

of 20 January 2023)

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

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its eighty-first session the item entitled "The law of transboundary aquifers".

Provisional application of treaties (76th session, 2021, agenda item 82)

Res. [76/113](#), 9 Dec. 2021

[Summary of consideration and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

4. *Also takes note* of the Guide to Provisional Application of Treaties, including the guidelines, the text of which is annexed to the present resolution, brings the Guide to the attention of States and international organizations for their consideration, and encourages its widest possible dissemination;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a volume of the United Nations Legislative Series compiling the practice of States and international organizations in the provisional application of treaties, as furnished by the latter over the years, together with other materials relevant to the topic.

31 July 2022

[\(LA/COD/63,](#)

of 26 January 2022)

Protection of persons in the event of disasters (76th session, 2021, agenda item 87)

Res. [76/119](#), 9 Dec. 2021

[Sixth Committee website and documents](#)

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

2. *Takes note once again* of the draft articles on the protection of persons in the event of disasters presented by the Commission;

4. *Decides* to examine the draft articles and to consider further the recommendation of the Commission for the elaboration of a convention by the General Assembly or by an international conference of plenipotentiaries on the basis of the draft articles, or any other potential course of action with respect to the draft articles, also in the light of the views and comments expressed in the debates of the Sixth Committee, as well as the comments and observations received from Governments, within the framework of a working group of the Committee, to be convened for four full consecutive days at the seventy-eighth and seventy-ninth sessions of the Assembly;

5. *Also decides* that the working group will report to the Sixth Committee at the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly on the outcome of its deliberations, with a view to the Committee making a recommendation to the Assembly as to any further action to take in respect of the draft articles;

6. *Encourages* all Member States to continue the substantive dialogue on an informal basis during the period prior to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly;

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

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

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow up closely the implementation of the Declaration and to submit an annual report on the implementation of paragraph 10 of the Declaration, taking into account the modalities set out in his report [[A/50/372](#) and [Add.1](#)] and the views expressed by States in the debate of the Sixth Committee during the fiftieth session of the General Assembly;⁶⁶

31 May 2024
([LA/COD/11/1](#),
[LA/COD/11/2](#), and
[LA/COD/11/3](#),
of 4 January 2024;)

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

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

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

10. The Secretary-General should assist in the implementation of the present Declaration by taking, within existing resources, the following practical measures to enhance international cooperation:

31 May 2024
([LA/COD/11/1](#),
[LA/COD/11/2](#), and
[LA/COD/11/3](#),
of 4 January 2024;)

- (a) A collection of data on the status and implementation of existing multilateral, regional and bilateral agreements relating to international terrorism, including

⁶⁶ See [A/C.6/50/SR.6](#), [7](#), [8](#), [9](#), [10](#) and [46](#).

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

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

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

Deadlines (Note Verbale)

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

31 May 2024
([LA/COD/10](#),
of 23 January 2024)

Annex I – Deadlines for the submission of information and receipt of comments from Governments and international organizations requested by the General Assembly

Information as of 4 March 2024

<i>Deadline (Note Verbale No.)</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>G.A. Res.</i>	<i>Request</i>
[Ongoing request] (EOSG/ROL/2014/1, of 10 September 2014)	The rule of law at the national and international levels	78/112 of 7 December 2023	Member States that have made pledges under para. 2 of GA Resolution 78/112 are invited to voluntarily report on the implementation of their pledges. Responses are accepted on an ongoing basis.
[Ongoing request] (EOSG/ROL/NV/2015/1, of 4 March 2015)	The rule of law at the national and international levels	78/112 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit best national practices via the form attached to the Note Verbale, to be published in the electronic repository of best national practices on the United Nations website (https://www.un.org/ruleoflaw/national-practices/) and to express their willingness to present and discuss their best national practices in an open meeting. Responses are accepted on an ongoing basis.
[Ongoing request] (LA/COD/50/3 , of 21 January 2019)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	78/102 of 7 December 2023	All States are encouraged to provide to the Secretary-General a point of contact in order to strengthen and enable efficient communication and cooperation between the United Nations and Member States.
1 December 2023	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session	78/108 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit comments on the Draft articles on immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction, adopted, on first reading, by the International Law Commission at its seventy-third session.
1 December 2023	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session	78/108 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit their views of the topic on Prevention and repression of piracy and armed robbery at sea, in particular specific issues identified in chapter III of the Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session.
1 December 2023	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session	78/108 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit their views of the topic on Sea-level rise in relation to international law, in particular specific issues identified in chapter III of the Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session.
1 February 2024	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session	78/108 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit their views of the topic on Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law, in particular specific issues identified in chapter III of the Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session.
26 April 2024 (LA/COD/59/1 , of 27 December 2023)	The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction	78/113 of 7 December 2023	Member States are invited to submit, before 26 April 2024, information and observations on the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, including, where appropriate, information on the relevant applicable international treaties and on their national legal rules and judicial practice, and requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session reviewing all the submissions of Member States and relevant observers, as well as views expressed in the

			debates of the Sixth Committee, since the sixty-second session of the Assembly and identifying possible convergences and divergences on the definition, scope and application of universal jurisdiction for the consideration of the Committee;
26 April 2024 (LA/COD/59/2 , of 27 December 2023)	The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction	78/113 of 7 December 2023	Observers are invited to submit, before 26 April 2024, information and observations on the scope and application of universal jurisdiction, including, where appropriate, information on the relevant applicable international treaties and on their national legal rules and judicial practice, and requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session reviewing all the submissions of Member States and relevant observers, as well as views expressed in the debates of the Sixth Committee, since the sixty-second session of the Assembly and identifying possible convergences and divergences on the definition, scope and application of universal jurisdiction for the consideration of the Committee;
17 May 2024 (LA/COD/4 , of 13 January 2024)	Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives	78/108 of 7 December 2023	States are invited to report to the Secretary-General, in a concise and expeditious manner and in accordance with the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General, serious violations of the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations. States are also invited to report to the Secretary-General, in a concise and expeditious manner and in accordance with the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General, on measures taken to bring the offender to justice and to communicate, in accordance with its laws, the final outcome of the proceedings against the offender, and to report on measures adopted with a view to preventing a repetition of such violations. States are also invited to inform the Secretary-General of their views with respect to any measures needed or already taken to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives as well as missions and representatives with diplomatic status to international intergovernmental organizations.
31 May 2024 (LA/COD/50/1 , of 5 January 2024)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	78/102 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit information and observations on their implementation of the resolution, in particular paragraphs 10, 12, 13, 15, 18 and 20 thereof, as well as any practical problems in the implementation of the resolution.
31 May 2024 (LA/COD/50/2 , of 5 January 2024)	Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission	78/102 of 7 December 2023	Specialized Agencies and Funds and Programmes are invited to provide a short narrative describing their activities in relation to matters raised specifically in operative paragraph 30 of the GA resolution or on any general issue regarding accountability in areas that reveal that a crime may have been committed by United Nations officials or experts on mission, as well as to make suggestions for recommendations to ensure that the relevant policies and procedures are coherent, systematic and coordinated throughout the United Nations system.
31 May 2024	Measures to eliminate international terrorism	78/115 of 7 December 2023	States are requested to submit data on the status and implementation of existing multilateral, regional and bilateral agreements relating to

(LA/COD/11/1 of 4 January 2024)		49/60 of 9 December 1994 and 50/53 of 11 December 1995	international terrorism, including information on incidents caused by international terrorism and criminal prosecutions and sentencing, based on information received from the depositaries of those agreements and from Member States.
31 May 2024 (LA/COD/11/2 of 4 January 2024)	Measures to eliminate international terrorism	78/115 of 7 December 2023 49/60 of 9 December 1994 and 50/53 of 11 December 1995	International organizations are requested to submit data on the status and implementation of existing multilateral, regional and bilateral agreements relating to international terrorism, including information on incidents caused by international terrorism and criminal prosecutions and sentencing, based on information received from the depositaries of those agreements and from Member States.
31 May 2024 (LA/COD/11/3 of 4 January 2024)	Measures to eliminate international terrorism	78/115 of 7 December 2023 77/113 of 9 December 2021	Regional intergovernmental organizations are invited to submit to the Secretary-General information on the measures they have adopted at the regional level to eliminate international terrorism, as well as on intergovernmental meetings held by those organizations.
31 May 2024 (LA/COD/10 of 13 January 2024)	United Nations Juridical Yearbook	1814(XVII) of 18 December 1962 and 3006(XXVII) of 18 December 1972	Governments are requested to provide the text of any domestic laws or regulations enacted in 2023 relating to the legal activities of the United Nations, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency, the World Trade Organization, the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, the International Organization for Migration or the International Criminal Court, as well as the text or a brief description of any decisions made in 2022 by the tribunals of the countries of the Permanent Missions on questions relating to the United Nations, the specialized agencies, or the other related organizations.
1 June 2024 (LA/COD/2/1 of 29 January 2024)	Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts	77/107 of 7 December 2022	States are invited to submit any information deemed relevant on the status of the Additional Protocols relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts, as well as on measures taken to strengthen the existing body of international humanitarian law, inter alia, with respect to its dissemination and full implementation at the national level.
1 June 2024 (LA/COD/2/2 of 29 January 2024)	Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts	77/107 of 7 December 2022	The International Committee of the Red Cross is invited to submit any information deemed relevant on the status of the Additional Protocols relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts, as well as on measures taken to strengthen the existing body of international humanitarian law, inter alia, with respect to its dissemination and full implementation at the national level.
1 December 2024	Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session	78/108 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit their comments and observations on the draft conclusions on general principles of law, adopted, on first reading, by the International Law Commission at its seventy-fourth session.
1 February 2025 (LA/COD/26 of 20 January 2023)	Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts	77/97 of 7 December 2022	Governments are requested to submit further written comments on any future action regarding the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts.
1 February 2025 (LA/COD/26 of 20 January 2023)	Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts	77/97 of 7 December 2022	Governments are invited to submit information on their practice with respect to decisions of tribunals or other bodies referring to the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts.

28 February 2025 (LA 41/TS/2024/DN of 18 January 2024)	Strengthening and promoting the international treaty framework	78/236 of 22 December 2023	Governments and international organizations are invited to", and requests the Secretary-General to invite Governments and international organizations to submit information on their practice in relation to the role of technology in shaping treaty-making practice.
1 June 2025 (LA/COD/38 of 10 January 2023)	Diplomatic protection	77/105 of 7 December 2022	Governments are invited to submit in writing any further comments, including comments concerning the recommendation by the International Law Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of the articles.
1 February 2026 (LA/COD/43/1 of 9 January 2024)	Responsibility of International Organizations	78/114 of 7 December 2023	Governments are invited to submit (1) their written comments on any future action regarding the articles and (2) information regarding decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles for inclusion by the Secretary-General in an updated version of the compilation of information concerning such practice to be submitted well in advance of the eighty-first session of the General Assembly.
1 February 2026 (LA/COD/43/2 of 9 January 2024)	Responsibility of International Organizations	78/114 of 7 December 2023	International organizations are invited to submit (1) their written comments on any future action regarding the articles and (2) information regarding their practice in connection with decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles, for inclusion by the Secretary-General in an updated version of the compilation of information concerning such practice to be submitted well in advance of the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly.
1 June 2027 (LA/COD/18 of 20 January 2023)	Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm	77/106 of 7 December 2022	Governments are invited to submit further comments on any future action, in particular on the form of the respective articles and principles, bearing in mind the recommendations made by the Commission in that regard, including in relation to the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the articles, as well as on any practice in relation to the application of the articles and principles.

Annex II – Guidelines for the submission of information and receipt of comments

Written submissions by Governments of comments and observations, as requested by the General Assembly, and other written communications to the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee, should be addressed to either: the Secretary-General of the United Nations; the Secretariat; the Legal Counsel of the United Nations; or the Director of the Codification Division / Secretary of the Sixth Committee, as appropriate. Official correspondence should not be addressed to individual staff members of the Secretariat.

Format of submissions

Submissions should indicate the reference number (i.e. LA/COD/...) of the topic. All communications should be submitted on the official letterhead of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations and signed or initialled by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission. All submissions should be in one or more of the official languages of the United Nations only.

Note on gender perspectives

In preparing their submissions, Member States are invited to take into consideration operative paragraph 34 of General Assembly resolution [78/182](#), of 19 December 2023, which requests “that reports of the Secretary-General submitted to the General Assembly ... continue to systematically address gender perspectives through gender-sensitive analysis ... and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to convey the importance of reflecting a gender perspective to all stakeholders who provide input to his reports”.

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

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