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# Journal

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## Programme of meetings and agenda

### Official meetings

Tuesday, 12 February 2008

#### Security Council

10 a.m.

5834th meeting

Security  
Council  
Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Children and armed conflict

Report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict ([S/2007/757](#))

#### General Assembly

Sixty-second session

#### Thematic debate entitled “Addressing climate change: The United Nations and the world at work”

10 a.m.– 1 p.m. 80th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

3 p.m.– 6 p.m. 81st plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [48]; Sustainable development [54]; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [116]: report of the Secretary-General ([A/62/644](#))

#### Announcement

The rearrangement of the front page of the *Journal of the United Nations* is in accordance with paragraph 15 of General Assembly resolution 60/286 of 8 September 2006 ([A/RES/60/286](#)).



## General Assembly

### Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 10

### Governmental Group of Experts to examine the feasibility, scope and draft parameters for a comprehensive, legally binding instrument establishing common international standards for the import, export and transfer of conventional arms

First session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 6
3–6 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 6

### Working Group on Reimbursement of Contingent-owned Equipment

#### Sub-Working Group

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 1
3–6 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 1

#### Sub-Working Group

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 2
3–6 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 2

#### Sub-Working Group

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 3
3–6 p.m. . . . .	Closed meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 3

## Economic and Social Council

### Commission for Social Development

Forty-sixth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . .	10th meeting . . . . .	Conference Room 4
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Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: Emerging issues: “Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda” (E/CN.5/2008/6) . . . . . [3 (c)]

*Panel discussion on “Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda”*

*General discussion and interactive dialogue with the panellists*

3–6 p.m. . . . . 11th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters ([E/CN.5/2008/5](#) and [E/CN.5/2008/9](#)). . . . . [2]

*Introduction and general discussion*

2. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [3]

- (a) Priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all ([E/CN.5/2008/4](#), [E/CN.5/2008/8\\*](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/1](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/2](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/3](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/4](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/5](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/6](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/7](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/8](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/10](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/11](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/13](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/14](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/15](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/16](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/17](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/18](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/19](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/20](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/21](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/22](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/23](#), [E/CN.5/2008/NGO/24](#) and [E/CN.5/2008/25](#))

*Presentation on “Full employment and decent work: Intensification of efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women”*

*Interactive dialogue*

[*Note:* The list of side events organized on the occasion of the forty-sixth session of the Commission can be consulted at [www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2008/Final%20side%20events.pdf](http://www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2008/Final%20side%20events.pdf).]

## Commission for Social Development

Forty-sixth session

### *Informal consultations*

Informal consultations (closed) on the mandate of the Special Rapporteur, will be convened by the Vice-Chairperson, Ms. Sonja Anna Kreibich (Germany), *today*, 12 February 2008, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

The Chairperson of the Commission for Social Development, H.E. Mr. Alexei Tulbure (Moldova), will convene informal consultations (closed), on the draft proposal pertaining to the priority theme (Promoting full employment and decent work for all), under item 3 (a), *today*, 12 February 2008, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft proposal on “Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda”, under agenda item 3 (c), convened by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, will take place *today*, 12 February 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

## Other meetings

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**Tuesday, 12 February 2008**

### Group of 77 (on the Commission for Social Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber  
1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

### Informal consultations on the draft resolution on “Modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting on Africa’s development needs” (organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

## Press conferences

*The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <[www.un.org/News/press/conf.htm](http://www.un.org/News/press/conf.htm)>.*

**Tuesday, 12 February 2008**

#### Room S-226

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson  
1.30 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Angus Friday (Grenada); H.E. Mr. Colin D. Beck (Solomon Islands); and H.E. Mr. Antonio Pedro Monteiro Lima (Cape Verde), members of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (on the impact of climate change on Small Island States)

#### Security Council stakeout

1 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Bernard Kouchner, Minister for Foreign Affairs of France; H.E. Mr. Charles Michel, Minister for Development Cooperation of Belgium; and Ms. Radhika Coomaraswamy, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (press encounter following the open debate of the Security Council on children and armed conflict)

**General Assembly**

Sixty-second session

*Preparations for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus (Doha, Qatar, 29 November–2 December 2008)*

Informal review sessions of the General Assembly on Chapter I of the Monterrey Consensus, “Mobilizing domestic financial resources for development”, and Chapter II, “Mobilizing international resources for development: foreign direct investment and other private flows”, to be opened by the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Thursday, 14, and Friday, 15 February 2008, in Conference Room 1.

The review sessions will be co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Johan L. Løvvald, Permanent Representative of Norway, and H.E. Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz, Permanent Representative of Egypt. Each session will include an initial panel discussion in the morning, comprising five panellists from developed and developing countries and major institutional stakeholders, followed by an intergovernmental debate in the afternoon, with the participation of all accredited stakeholders. In order to provide for a free-flowing, interactive discussion, there will be no list of speakers established in advance of the meetings. Delegations are reminded that interventions *should not exceed 5 minutes each*.

For further information, including the composition of the panels, please visit the Web site of the Financing for Development Office at <[www.un.org/esa/ffd](http://www.un.org/esa/ffd)>.

**Forthcoming official meetings****General Assembly****Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations***Informal briefing*

There will be an informal briefing (closed) by the secretariat of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, on measures to increase female uniform personnel, on Wednesday, 13 February 2008, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

*2008 substantive session*

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2008 substantive session from 10 March to 4 April. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 10 March 2008, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Background information on the Special Committee is available on the following Web site <<http://www.un.org/depts/dpko/lessons/>>. Members of the Special Committee can access the C-34 Web site at <[www.c34.unlb.org/](http://www.c34.unlb.org/)>.

Member States not Members of the Special Committee and observers that are interested in sending observers to the session of the Special Committee should send a letter to the Acting Chairman of the Special Committee, H.E. Mr. Henri-Paul Normandin (Canada).

In accordance with resolution 51/136, “those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chairman of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee”. Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Acting Chairman of the Special Committee.

Members of the Special Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session and be included in the list of participants, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat (Ms. Maria San Agustin (room S-2977; tel. 1 (917) 367-5209; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; e-mail [agustinm@un.org](mailto:agustinm@un.org)).

#### *List of speakers*

The list of speakers for the general debate (10-11 March) will be opened on Monday, 25 February 2008. Further details on how to inscribe in the list will be provided in due course.

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### **Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People** 2008 session

The opening of the 2008 session of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held, at the ambassadorial level, on Thursday, 14 February 2008, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional agenda of the 307th meeting is contained in document [A/AC.183/2008/L.1](#).

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### **Peacebuilding Commission** Second session

#### **Guinea-Bissau configuration**

An informal meeting (open) of the Guinea-Bissau configuration will be held on Wednesday, 13 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

#### **Sierra Leone configuration**

An informal meeting (open) of the Sierra Leone configuration will be held on Thursday, 14 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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## Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2008

### *Briefing*

The Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (OESC), Department of Economics and Social Affairs, Mr. Nikhil Seth, will hold an informal briefing on three reports of the Secretary-General for the 2008 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (annual ministerial review; coordination segment; and integrated conference follow-up), on Thursday, 21 February 2008, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D. Outlines of the above reports are available on the following Web site: <[www.un.org/ecosoc/](http://www.un.org/ecosoc/)>. All interested delegations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Alberto Padova (tel. 1 (212) 963-4759; e-mail [padova@un.org](mailto:padova@un.org)).

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## Commission for Social Development

Forty-sixth session

### *Informal consultations*

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposal pertaining to the modalities for the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, under agenda item 3 (b), will be convened by the Vice-Chairperson, Ms. Zhang Dan (China), on Wednesday, 13 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposal pertaining to the methods of work of the Commission, under agenda item 2, will be convened by the Vice-Chairperson, Mr. Ignacio Llanos (Chile), on Wednesday, 13 February 2008, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

The Chairperson of the Commission for Social Development, H.E. Mr. Alexei Tulbure (Moldova), will convene informal consultations (closed), on the draft proposal pertaining to the priority theme (Promoting full employment and decent work for all), under item 3 (a), on Wednesday, 13, and Thursday, 14 February 2008, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft proposal on "Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda", under agenda item 3 (c), convened by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, will take place on Wednesday, 13 February, from 5.15 to 6 p.m. and Thursday, 14 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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## Statistical Commission

### *Briefing*

The Director of the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Paul Cheung, on the preparations for the upcoming thirty-ninth session of the Statistical Commission, on Wednesday, 20 February 2008, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of the Permanent Missions and representatives of United Nations agencies, funds and programmes are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Stefan Schweinfest, Statistics Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-4849).



*Thirty-ninth session*

The thirty-ninth session of the Statistical Commission will be held from 26 to 29 February 2008. The opening meeting will take place on Tuesday, 26 February, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work of the session are contained in documents [E/CN.3/2008/1](#) and [E/CN.3/2008/L.1](#), respectively.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Lotta Tahtinen (room S-2950B; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Further information on the session can be obtained at the following address: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/commission.htm>.

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**Open-ended Working Group on Informatics**

The next meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Thursday, 14 February 2008, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer (Switzerland), to present and discuss information technology support for delegates and to provide a briefing on the current Secretariat-wide ICT strategic planning process.

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**Commission on the Status of Women**

## Fifty-second session

The fifty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from 25 February to 7 March 2008 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in document [E/CN.6/2008/1](#). Background information in English can be obtained at the following address: [www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/52sess.htm](http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/52sess.htm).

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session and be included on the list of participants, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Vivian Pliner (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail [pliner@un.org](mailto:pliner@un.org)).

*High-level round table*

The Commission will hold a high-level round table on the “Financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women”, on Monday, 25 February 2008, at 3 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to communicate the name of the senior official expected to participate in the high-level round table to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Vivian Pliner (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail [pliner@un.org](mailto:pliner@un.org)).

*List of speakers*

The list of speakers is open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list are kindly requested to contact Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail [fidler@un.org](mailto:fidler@un.org)).

The general discussion under agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century”) will begin on Monday, 25 February, in the morning, and resume on Wednesday, 27 February 2008 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in Annex I to document [E/CN.6/2008/1](#)).

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Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual delegations should not exceed five minutes; statements made on behalf of a group of States *should not exceed ten minutes*.

[*Note:* The list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-second session of the Commission can be consulted at <[www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/52sess.htm](http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/52sess.htm)>.]

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## **International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women**

### **Executive Board**

#### Fifth session

The fifth session (closed) of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advance of Women (INSTRAW) will be held on Thursday, 21, and Friday, 22 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

## **Other forthcoming meetings**

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### **Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau**

*Wednesday, 13 February 2008, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.*

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### **Joint Coordinating Committee of the Group of 77 and the Non-Aligned Movement (at the ambassadorial level)**

*Wednesday, 13 February 2008, in the morning<sup>1</sup>, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.*

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<sup>1</sup>To be held following the adjournment of the meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement.

**Ninth Inter-agency Consultative Group meeting on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010**

*Friday, 15 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.*

[For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Sakubita, UN-OHRLLS (tel. 1 (917) 367-5710; e-mail [sakubita@un.org](mailto:sakubita@un.org)).]

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**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on “Modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting on Africa’s development needs” (organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)**

*Wednesday, 13 February 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.*

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**Asian Group (briefing by the Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, to Member States on the issue of the impact of conflict on children)**

*Friday, 15 February 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.*

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**UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions**

*Tuesday 19 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B;*

*Wednesday, 20 February 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B; and*

*Thursday, 21 February 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.*

[For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail [falls@un.org](mailto:falls@un.org)).]

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**Group of Eastern European States**

*Wednesday, 20 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.*

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**UNITAR/Olof Palme Memorial Fund negotiation workshop series: Workshop on effective negotiation in multilateral conferences**

*Monday, 25 February 2008, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D;*

*Tuesday, 26 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference room D; and*

*Wednesday, 27 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room D.*

[This workshop is open to members of Permanent Missions. To apply, please visit [www.unitary.org/en/negotiation.html](http://www.unitary.org/en/negotiation.html). For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengaertner, UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail [rosengaertner@un.org](mailto:rosengaertner@un.org)).]

## Forthcoming other activities

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### **Women's International Forum on "The United Nations and Myanmar: Which way forward?" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)**

*Wednesday, 13 February 2008*, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

### **2008 Institutional Investor Summit on Climate Risk (co-hosted by the United Nations Fund for International Partnerships, the United Nations Foundation and Ceres)**

*Thursday, 14 February 2008*, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[The meeting is closed. For further information, please contact Mr. William Kennedy, UNFIP (room DC1-1320; tel. 1 (212) 963-6438; e-mail [kennedyw@un.org](mailto:kennedyw@un.org)); or visit [www.un.org/unfip](http://www.un.org/unfip).]

## Announcements

### **Bilateral contacts on the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism**

The Coordinator on the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism, Ms. Maria Telalian (Greece), invites interested delegations for bilateral contacts, on Wednesday, 13 February 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

In order to facilitate the scheduling of their appointments, interested delegations should contact Ms. Maria Telalian (e-mail [mtealian@gmail.com](mailto:mtealian@gmail.com)).

### **United Nations Development Fund for Women: Consultative Committee**

The forty-eighth session of the Consultative Committee of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), comprised of representatives from the Permanent Missions of Estonia (Chair), Chile, Norway, the Republic of Korea and the Sudan, will be held on Wednesday, 13, and Thursday, 14 February 2008. Delegations interested in obtaining more information about the session are kindly requested to contact their respective regional representatives.

### **Security Council**

#### **Web site of the presidency**

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at [www.un.org/sc/presidency.html](http://www.un.org/sc/presidency.html).

**Recorded information**

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on “Daily Programme” on the Web site of the Security Council (<[www.un.org/Docs/sc](http://www.un.org/Docs/sc)>).

**Prepared statements**

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

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**Access to back issues of the Journal of the United Nations**

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## Summary of official meetings

**Monday, 11 February 2008****Security Council**

5833rd meeting

*The situation in Timor-Leste*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Timor-Leste, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council ([S/PRST/2008/5](http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2008/080208.sgsm10001.doc.html)).

## Economic and Social Council

### Commission for Social Development

Forty-sixth session

8th meeting

*Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups . . . . .* [3 (b)]

The Commission continued its general discussion of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Japan, the Russian Federation, Italy, Chile, China, Mexico, Cuba, Egypt and Bangladesh.

Statements were also made by the observers for Brazil, Canada, Malta, Zambia and Sweden.

Statements were also made by the representatives for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the International Labour Organization, as well as by the representative of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific (ESCAP). A statement was made by the representative for the United Nations Volunteers.

Statements were made by the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: PAX Romana, American Association of Retired People (AARP), International Federation on Ageing and European Youth Forum (also on behalf of the World Organization of the Scout Movement).

9th meeting

*Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups . . . . .* [3 (b)]

The Commission continued its general discussion of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Mali, Cameroon, Benin, Nepal, Myanmar, Indonesia, Tunisia, South Africa, the United States, Spain, Paraguay and Monaco.

Statements were also made by the observers for Malawi, Morocco, Qatar and Haiti.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: Bahá'í International, Elizabeth Seton Federation, Fondation Chantal Biya, HelpAge International, International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, Global Youth Action Network and Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan Council of North and South America.

## Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

### [Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

*Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers. Kiev, 21 May 2003*

*Acceptance: Netherlands (11 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

<sup>1</sup>Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

*Convention relating to the status of Stateless Persons. New York, 28 September 1954*

*Accession: Austria (8 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

*International Convention on Maritime Liens and Mortgages, 1993. Geneva, 6 May 1993*

*Accession: Lithuania (8 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

*European Agreement on Important International Combined Transport Lines and Related Installations (AGTC). Geneva, 1 February 1991*

*Accession: Lithuania (8 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

*Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001*

*Accession: Albania (8 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

*International Convention Against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979*

*Communication relating to the interpretative declaration made by the Islamic Republic of Iran upon accession: Austria (7 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

*Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000*

*Notification under article 8 (6): Austria (7 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

*United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003*

*Notifications under article 6 (3), 46 (13) and 46 (14): Luxembourg (7 February 2008)<sup>1</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup>Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

## General information

### Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *February 2008* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States:*

Cameroon  
H.E. Mr. Martin Chungong Ayafor  
Chargé d'affaires

*Asian States:*

Yemen  
H.E. Mr. Abdullah M. Alsaidi

*Eastern European States:*

Slovakia  
H.E. Mr. Peter Burian

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