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## I. Introduction

1. The present document, which corresponds to the preliminary list circulated on 15 February 2024 (A/79/50), has been prepared in accordance with the recommendation of the Special Committee on the Rationalization of the Procedures and Organization of the General Assembly, as set forth in paragraph 17 (b) of annex II to Assembly resolution 2837 (XXVI).
2. The provisional agenda provided for in rule 12 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly (A/520/Rev.20) will be issued on 12 July 2024 as document A/79/150.
3. An addendum to the present document (A/79/100/Add.1) will be issued before the opening of the session in accordance with paragraph 17 (c) of annex II to resolution 2837 (XXVI).

## II. Annotated list

### 1. Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly

In accordance with rule 1 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly shall meet every year in regular session commencing on the Tuesday of the second week in September, counting from the first week that contains at least one working day. The seventy-ninth session of the Assembly will open on Tuesday, 10 September 2024. Rules 30 and 31 of the rules of procedure also apply.

### 2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation

Rule 62 of the rules of procedure provides that, immediately after the opening of the 1st plenary meeting and immediately preceding the closing of the final plenary meeting of each session of the General Assembly, the President shall invite the representatives to observe one minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation.

### 3. Credentials of representatives to the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly

- (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee
- (b) Report of the Credentials Committee

In accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation are to be submitted to the Secretary-General, if possible not less than one week before the opening of the session. The credentials must be issued by either the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Under rule 28 of the rules of procedure, a Credentials Committee consisting of nine members is appointed by the General Assembly at the beginning of each session on the proposal of the President. The members of the Committee are traditionally appointed at the 1st plenary meeting, on the proposal of the President (decisions adopted at the first to thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/301, 32/301, 33/301, 34/301, 35/301, 36/301, 37/301, 38/301, 39/301, 40/301, 41/301, 42/301, 43/301, 44/301, 45/301, 46/301, 47/301 A and B, 48/301, 49/301, 50/301, 51/301, 52/301, 53/301, 54/301, 55/301, 56/301, 57/401, 58/401, 59/401, 60/401, 61/401, 62/401, 63/401, 64/401, 65/401, 66/401, 67/401, 68/401, 69/401, 70/401, 71/401, 72/401, 73/401, 74/401, 75/401, 76/401, 77/401 and 78/401).

On completion of its work, the Committee submits a report to the Assembly, normally containing a draft resolution for consideration by the Assembly. The Assembly then takes appropriate action (resolutions [609 A and B \(VII\)](#), [700 \(VII\)](#), [710 \(VII\)](#), [713 A and B \(VIII\)](#), [807 A and B \(IX\)](#), [908 A and B \(X\)](#), [1009 \(XI\)](#), [1183 \(XII\)](#), [1346 \(XIII\)](#), [1457 \(XIV\)](#), [1498 \(XV\)](#), [1618 \(XV\)](#), [1693 \(XVI\)](#), [1871 \(XVII\)](#), [1977 \(XVIII\)](#), [2113 A and B \(XX\)](#), [2219 \(XXI\)](#), [2322 \(XXII\)](#), [2374 \(XXII\)](#), [2375 \(XXII\)](#), [2492 \(XXIII\)](#), [2589 \(XXIV\)](#), [2636 A and B \(XXV\)](#), [2862 \(XXVI\)](#), [2948 \(XXVII\)](#), [3181 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3206 \(XXIX\)](#), [3323 \(XXIX\)](#), [3367 A and B \(XXX\)](#), [31/16 A and B](#), [32/21 A and B](#), [33/9 A and B](#), [34/2 A and B](#), [35/4 A to C](#), [36/2 A and B](#), [37/5 A and B](#), [38/2](#), [39/3 A and B](#), [40/2 A and B](#), [41/7 A and B](#), [42/2 A and B](#), [43/10 A and B](#), [44/5 A and B](#), [48/13 A to C](#), [49/4 A and B](#), [50/4 A and B](#), [51/9 A and B](#), [52/178](#), [53/23 A to C](#), [54/6 A and B](#), [55/16 A and B](#), [56/221](#), [57/114](#), [58/125](#), [59/208](#), [60/181](#), [61/227](#), [62/212](#), [63/238](#), [64/126](#), [65/237](#), [66/1 A and B](#), [67/103](#), [68/22](#), [69/138](#), [70/18](#), [71/132](#), [72/135](#), [73/193](#), [74/179](#), [75/19](#), [76/15](#), [77/239](#) and [78/124](#) and decisions adopted at the first to sixth and nineteenth and twenty-eighth sessions).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following Member States: Andorra, China, Grenada, Nigeria, Russian Federation, Solomon Islands, Suriname, Togo and United States of America (decision 78/401).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Credentials Committee.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 3)**

Report of the Credentials Committee	<a href="#">A/78/605</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.1</a> and <a href="#">48</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/124</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/401</a>

## **4. Election of the President of the General Assembly**

In accordance with Article 21 of the Charter, the General Assembly shall elect its President for each session. Under rule 30 of the rules of procedure, the Assembly shall elect a President at least three months before the opening of the session over which the President is to preside. The President so elected will assume the functions only at the beginning of that session for which the President is elected and shall hold office until the close of that session. The Assembly has had the item entitled “Election of the President of the General Assembly” on its agenda annually since its first session (decisions adopted at the first to thirtieth sessions and decisions [31/302](#), [32/302](#), [33/302](#), [34/302](#), [35/302](#), [36/302](#), [37/302](#), [38/302](#), [39/302](#), [40/302](#), [41/302](#), [42/302](#), [43/302](#), [44/302](#), [45/302](#), [46/302](#), [47/302](#), [48/302](#), [49/302](#), [50/302](#), [51/302](#), [52/302](#), [53/302](#), [54/302](#), [55/302](#), [56/302](#), [56/320](#), [57/418](#), [58/418](#), [59/421](#), [60/418](#), [61/418](#), [62/416](#), [63/421](#), [64/422](#), [65/416](#), [66/424](#), [67/420](#), [68/418](#), [69/421](#), [70/421](#), [71/419](#), [72/417](#), [73/418](#), [74/417](#), [75/417](#), [76/419](#), [77/419](#) and [78/415](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly elected Philémon Yang (Cameroon) as its President for the seventy-ninth session (decision 78/415).

At its thirty-third session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations”, decided (resolution [33/138](#), annex, para. 1) that, in the election of the President, regard should be had for equitable geographical rotation of the office among the following groups of States:



- (a) African States;
- (b) Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Eastern European States;
- (d) Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Western European and other States.

In accordance with rule 92 of the rules of procedure, the election is held by secret ballot. At its thirty-fourth session, however, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Adoption of the agenda and organization of work”, decided that the practice of dispensing with the secret ballot for elections to subsidiary organs when the number of candidates corresponded to the number of seats to be filled should become standard and that the same practice should apply to the election of the President of the Assembly, unless a delegation specifically requested a vote on a given election (decision 34/401, para. 16). Since the thirty-second session, with the exception of the thirty-sixth, thirty-eighth, forty-third, forty-sixth, sixty-sixth, seventieth, seventy-second, seventy-fourth and seventy-fifth sessions, the President has been elected by acclamation.

Pursuant to resolution [70/305](#), adopted under the agenda item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, the President-elect shall take an oath of office of his or her own, as detailed in annex I to the resolution, at the moment of handing over the gavel in the final plenary meeting of the preceding session. In its resolution [71/323](#), adopted under the same item, the Assembly decided, in full respect of the established principle of geographical rotation and its resolution [33/138](#), to conduct informal interactive dialogues with candidates for the position of the President of the Assembly, thus contributing to the transparency and inclusivity of the process, and called upon candidates to present to the Assembly their vision statements. The Assembly also invited Member States to consider presenting women as candidates for the position of President of the Assembly.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 4)**

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.87</a>
Decision	78/415

## **5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees**

The General Assembly has six Main Committees. At its forty-seventh session, the Assembly, under the agenda item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided (resolution [47/233](#)) to amend rule 98 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly as follows:

- “1. Decides that the Main Committees of the General Assembly shall be as follows:
  - (a) Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee);
  - (b) Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee);
  - (c) Economic and Financial Committee (Second Committee);
  - (d) Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (Third Committee);
  - (e) Administrative and Budgetary Committee (Fifth Committee);
  - (f) Legal Committee (Sixth Committee).”

At its fifty-second session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization”, decided to amend the first sentence of rule 103 of the rules of procedure to read: “Each Main Committee shall elect a Chair, three Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur” (resolution [52/163](#), para. 1).

Rule 103 states that the elections shall be held by secret ballot unless the Committee decides otherwise in an election where only one candidate is standing. Since the thirty-second session, with the exception of the thirty-eighth, fortieth, fifty-second, sixty-ninth, seventy-first and seventy-second sessions, the officers of the Main Committees have been elected by acclamation (decisions adopted at the first to thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/303, 32/303, 33/304, 34/303, 35/303, 36/303, 37/303, 38/303, 39/303, 40/304, 41/304, 42/303, 43/303, 44/303, 45/303, 46/303, 47/303, 48/303, 49/303, 50/303, 51/303, 52/303, 53/303, 54/303, 55/303, 56/303, 57/419, 58/419, 59/422, 60/419 A and B, 61/419, 62/417, 63/422, 64/423 A and B, 65/417, 66/426, 68/402, 68/423, 69/422, 70/423, 71/402, 71/421, 72/402, 72/420, 73/403, 73/421, 74/403, 74/421, 75/422, 76/421, 77/415, 77/422 and 78/419).

In addition, rule 103 provides that the nomination of each candidate shall be limited to one speaker, after which the Committee shall immediately proceed to the election.

Rule 99 (a) stipulates that all the Main Committees shall, at least three months before the opening of the session, elect a Chair and that elections of the other officers provided for in rule 103 shall be held at the latest by the end of the first week of the session. In accordance with resolution [58/126](#), adopted under the agenda item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, the full Bureaux of the Main Committees shall also be elected three months in advance of the next session.

In accordance with rule 30, the Vice-Presidents shall be elected after the election of the Chairs of the six Main Committees, in such a way as to ensure the representative character of the General Committee.

At its sixty-eighth session, the Assembly decided, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, to reiterate the guidelines on the election of the Chairs and Rapporteurs of the Main Committees contained in the annex to the resolution (resolution [68/307](#)). At its seventy-second session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided to establish the pattern for the rotation of the Chairs of the Main Committees for the forthcoming 10 sessions, namely from the seventy-fourth to the eighty-third session, as contained in resolution [72/313](#).

At the seventy-eighth session, the Main Committees elected their Chairs for the seventy-ninth session (decision 78/419) as follows:

First Committee:	Maritza Chan Valverde (Costa Rica)
Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee):	Sanita Pavļuta-Deslandes (Latvia)
Second Committee:	Muhammad Abdul Muhith (Bangladesh)
Third Committee:	Zéphyrin Maniratanga (Burundi)
Fifth Committee:	Egriselda López (El Salvador)
Sixth Committee:	Rui Vinhas (Portugal)

## References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 5)

Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.88</a>
Decisions	78/419

## 6. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly

The President of the General Assembly is assisted by 21 Vice-Presidents. The duties involved are performed by heads of delegations of Member States, and not by individuals elected in their personal capacity. The Assembly decided on four occasions to increase the number of Vice-Presidents (resolutions [1104 \(XI\)](#), [1192 \(XII\)](#), [1990 \(XVIII\)](#) and [33/138](#)).

Under rule 30 of the rules of procedure, the Assembly shall elect 21 Vice-Presidents at least three months before the opening of the session over which they are to preside (decisions adopted at the first to thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/304, 32/304, 33/303, 34/304, 35/304, 36/304, 37/304, 38/304, 39/304, 40/303, 41/303, 42/304, 43/304, 44/304, 45/304, 46/304, 47/304, 48/304, 49/304, 50/304, 51/304, 52/304, 53/304, 54/304, 55/304, 56/304, 56/322, 57/420, 58/420, 59/423, 60/420, 61/420, 62/418, 63/423, 64/424, 65/418 A and B, 66/425 A and B, 67/421 A and B, 68/419, 69/423, 70/422, 71/420, 72/418, 73/419, 74/420, 75/418, 76/420, 77/420 and 78/416). The Vice-Presidents so elected will assume the functions only at the beginning of the session for which they are elected and shall hold office until the close of that session.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly elected the following Member States as its Vice-Presidents for the seventy-ninth session: Algeria, Angola, Austria, Barbados, China, France, Ghana, Guatemala, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Madagascar, Micronesia (Federated States of), Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Senegal, Thailand, Tonga, Turkmenistan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (decision 78/416).

In accordance with rule 92 of the rules of procedure, the election is held by secret ballot. Vice-Presidents are elected by a simple majority. At its thirty-fourth session, however, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Adoption of the agenda and organization of work", decided that the practice of dispensing with the secret ballot for elections to subsidiary organs when the number of candidates corresponded to the number of seats to be filled should become standard and that the same practice should apply to the election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly, unless a delegation specifically requested a vote on a given election (decision 34/401, para. 16). Since the thirty-second session, with the exception of the thirty-sixth, thirty-eighth, forty-first and forty-second sessions in the case of one of the regional groups (decisions 36/304, 38/304, 41/303 and 42/304), the Vice-Presidents have been elected by acclamation.

In accordance with rule 30, the Vice-Presidents shall be elected after the election of the Chairs of the Main Committees, in such a way as to ensure the representative character of the General Committee (see item 7).

At its thirty-third session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations", decided, in its resolution [33/138](#) (see annex, para. 2), that the 21 Vice-Presidents should be elected according to the following pattern:

- (a) Six representatives from African States;
- (b) Five representatives from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) One representative from an Eastern European State;

- (d) Three representatives from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Two representatives from Western European or other States;
- (f) Five representatives from the permanent members of the Security Council.

The election of the President of the Assembly has the effect, however, of reducing by one the number of vice-presidencies allocated to the region from which the President is elected (resolution [33/138](#), annex, para. 3).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 6)**

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.87</a>
Decision	78/416

### **7. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: reports of the General Committee**

The General Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its first session (resolutions [35/5](#), [36/117 A](#), [37/14 C](#), [43/49](#), [47/1](#) and [56/1](#), decisions adopted at the first to thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/402, 32/402 A to D, 33/401, 33/432, 34/401, 34/402, 35/401, 35/402, 35/450, 36/401 to 36/403, 36/461, 37/401 to 37/403, 37/452, 38/401 to 38/403, 38/456, 39/401 to 39/403, 39/456, 40/401 to 40/403, 40/470, 41/401 to 41/403, 41/470, 42/401 to 42/403, 42/460, 43/401 to 43/403 A and B, 43/459, 44/401 to 44/403 A to D, 45/401 to 45/403 A to D, 45/455, 46/401 to 46/403 A to D, 47/401 to 47/403 A to C, 47/467, 48/401, 48/402 A to F, 48/403 A and B, 48/484, 49/401 to 49/403 A and B, 49/474, 50/401 to 50/403 A to C, 50/475, 51/401 to 51/403 A and B, 51/462, 52/401 to 52/403 A to D, 52/459, 52/502, 53/223, 53/401, 53/402 A and B, 53/403 A to E, 53/453, 53/465, 54/401, 54/402 A and B, 54/403 A to D, 54/465, 55/401, 55/402 A and B, 55/403 A to C, 55/488, 56/400 A and B, 56/401, 56/402 A and B, 56/403 A and B, 56/464, 57/501 to 57/503 A and B, 57/585, 58/501 to 58/503 A and B, 58/565, 59/501 to 59/503 A and B, 59/552, 60/501, 60/502 A and B, 60/503 A and B, 61/501, 61/502 A and B, 61/503 A and B, 61/552, 62/501 to 62/503 A and B, 62/546, 63/501 to 63/503 A and B, 63/552, 63/559, 64/501, 64/502 A and B, 64/503 A and B, 64/507, 64/549, 65/501 to 65/503 A and B, 65/544, 66/501 to 66/503 A and B, 66/557, 66/558, 67/501 A and B, 67/502 to 67/504 A and B, 67/554, 68/501 to 68/504 A and B, 68/505, 68/550, 69/501, 69/502, 69/504 A and B, 69/554, 70/501, 70/502, 70/504 A and B, 70/554, 70/560, 71/501 A and B, 71/502 to 71/504 A and B, 71/506, 71/547, 71/567, 72/501 to 72/504 A and B, 72/548, 72/559, 72/575, 72/576, 73/501 to 73/504 A and B, 73/522, 74/501 to 74/503 A and B, 74/541, 74/544, 74/555, 74/557, 74/558, 74/561 to 74/563, 74/570 to 74/574, 75/501 to 75/504 A and B, 75/506, 75/511 A and B, 75/554, 75/558, 75/573, 75/577, 76/501 to 76/506 A and B, 76/549, 77/501 to 77/505 A and B, 77/506, 77/549, 78/501 to 78/505 and 78/543). Rules 12 to 15 of the rules of procedure deal with the agenda for regular sessions.

#### **Provisional agenda**

Under rule 12 of the rules of procedure, the provisional agenda is to be communicated to the Members of the United Nations at least 60 days before the opening of the session.

Rule 13 of the rules of procedure indicates which items shall or may be included in the provisional agenda.

### **Supplementary items**

Rule 14 of the rules of procedure provides that any Member or principal organ of the United Nations or the Secretary-General may, at least 30 days before the date fixed for the opening of a regular session, request the inclusion of supplementary items in the agenda. Such items shall be placed on a supplementary list, which shall be communicated to the Members of the United Nations at least 20 days before the opening of the session.

### **Additional items**

Rule 15 of the rules of procedure stipulates that additional items of an important and urgent character, proposed for inclusion in the agenda less than 30 days before the opening of a regular session or during a regular session, may be placed on the agenda if the Assembly so decides by a majority of the members present and voting.

### **Consideration of the draft agenda by the General Committee**

Rules 38 to 44 of the rules of procedure deal with the composition, organization and functions of the General Committee. The Committee is composed of the President of the Assembly, who presides, the 21 Vice-Presidents of the Assembly and the Chairs of the Main Committees.

The General Committee usually meets on the second day of the session for the purpose of making recommendations to the Assembly concerning the adoption of the agenda, the allocation of items and the organization of the work of the Assembly. For this purpose, it has before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing the draft agenda (provisional agenda, supplementary items and additional items and all other items mandated by the Assembly after the issuance of the provisional agenda), the proposed allocation of items and a number of recommendations concerning the organization of the session.

### **Adoption of the agenda by the Assembly**

Rule 21 of the rules of procedure provides that at each session the provisional agenda and the supplementary list, together with the report of the General Committee thereon, shall be submitted to the Assembly for approval as soon as possible after the opening of the session.

The final agenda, the allocation of items included in the agenda and arrangements for the organization of the session are adopted by the Assembly by a simple majority.

Rule 23 of the rules of procedure provides that debate on the inclusion of an item in the agenda, when that item has been recommended for inclusion by the General Committee, shall be limited to three speakers in favour of, and three against, the inclusion.

#### *Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Preliminary list ([A/79/50](#));
- (b) Annotated preliminary list ([A/79/100](#));
- (c) Provisional agenda ([A/79/150](#));
- (d) Supplementary list ([A/79/200](#));
- (e) Memorandum by the Secretary-General ([A/BUR/79/1](#));
- (f) Annotated draft agenda ([A/79/100/Add.1](#));
- (g) Report of the General Committee ([A/79/250](#));

- (h) Agenda ([A/79/251](#));
- (i) Allocation of agenda items ([A/79/252](#)).

#### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 7)

Preliminary list	<a href="#">A/78/50</a>
Annotated preliminary list	<a href="#">A/78/100</a>
Provisional agenda	<a href="#">A/78/150</a>
Supplementary list	<a href="#">A/78/200</a>
Memorandum by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/BUR/78/1</a>
Annotated draft agenda	<a href="#">A/78/100/Add.1</a>
Report of the General Committee	<a href="#">A/78/250</a>
Agenda	<a href="#">A/78/251</a>
Allocation of agenda items	<a href="#">A/78/252</a>
Requests for the inclusion of items from Pakistan ( <a href="#">A/78/141</a> ) and from Argentina, Colombia, El Salvador, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Spain and Uruguay ( <a href="#">A/78/191</a> )	
Meeting of the General Committee	<a href="#">A/BUR/78/1</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.2</a> , <a href="#">32</a> , <a href="#">45</a> , <a href="#">46</a> , <a href="#">50</a> ( <a href="#">Resumption 1</a> ), <a href="#">55</a> , <a href="#">57</a> , <a href="#">63</a> , <a href="#">69</a> , <a href="#">73</a> and <a href="#">77</a>
Decisions	<a href="#">78/501</a> to <a href="#">78/505</a> and <a href="#">78/543</a>

## 8. General debate

At the beginning of the session, the General Assembly holds the general debate, during which heads of delegations may state the views of their Governments on any item before the Assembly. The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its second session (decision adopted at its twenty-fourth session and decisions [56/468](#), [69/503](#) and [70/503](#); see also decisions [63/553](#), [68/503](#), [71/503](#), [72/503](#), [73/503](#), [73/522](#), [74/562](#), [75/502](#), [76/502](#), [77/502](#) and [78/501](#) adopted under the item entitled “Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items”).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided that, in June of each year, the President-elect of the Assembly, after taking into account the views provided by Member States and following consultations with the incumbent President and the Secretary-General, would suggest an issue, or issues, of global concern upon which Member States would be invited to comment during the general debate at the forthcoming session of the Assembly. The Assembly also decided that the views provided by Member States should be summarized and circulated to Member States and that such suggestions regarding the issue(s) for comment would be without prejudice to the sovereign right of Member States to solely and entirely determine the content of their general debate statements (resolution [58/126](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided that the general debate should open on the Tuesday of the fourth week in September, counting from the first week that contained at least one working day, and should be held without interruption over a period of nine working days (resolution [75/325](#)).

In keeping with previous practice, a voluntary 15-minute time limit for statements is to be observed in the general debate. By its resolution [51/241](#), the Assembly decided that the list of speakers for each day would be completed and no speakers would be rolled over to the next day, notwithstanding the implications for hours of work.

At the seventy-eighth session, 11 plenary meetings were devoted to the general debate, during which the President, as well as 189 Member States (88 Heads of State, 6 Vice-Presidents, 42 Heads of Government, 4 Deputy Prime Ministers, 40 ministers, 3 vice-ministers and 6 chairs of delegation) and 3 observers, took the floor ([A/78/PV.4-14](#)). Of those 192 speakers, 21 were women. The longest speech of the general debate lasted 38 minutes, and the shortest, 9 minutes. The average speech length was 18.3 minutes.

#### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 8)

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.4-14](#)

### A. Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences

#### 9. Report of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council submits an annual report to the General Assembly, which the Assembly considers in accordance with Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations. The report of the Council is included in the provisional agenda of the Assembly pursuant to rule 13 (b) of the rules of procedure of the Assembly.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its first session (resolutions [49 A \(I\)](#), [118 \(II\)](#) to [120 \(II\)](#), [123 \(II\)](#), [125 \(II\)](#), [130 \(II\)](#) to [135 \(II\)](#), [165 \(II\)](#), [198 \(III\)](#) to [201 \(III\)](#), [206 \(III\)](#), [207 \(III\)](#), [209 \(III\)](#), [276 \(III\)](#), [278 \(III\)](#) to [280 \(III\)](#), [309 \(IV\)](#), [312 \(IV\)](#), [409 A to C \(V\)](#), [411 \(V\)](#) to [416 \(V\)](#), [419 \(V\)](#), [420 \(V\)](#), [525 \(VI\)](#) to [528 \(VI\)](#), [532 A and B \(VI\)](#) to [537 \(VI\)](#), [540 \(VI\)](#) to [542 \(VI\)](#), [628 \(VII\)](#), [641 \(VII\)](#), [642 \(VII\)](#), [733 \(VIII\)](#) to [739 \(VIII\)](#), [829 \(IX\)](#), [830 \(IX\)](#), [834 \(IX\)](#) to [837 \(IX\)](#), [928 \(X\)](#), [1027 \(XI\)](#) to [1029 \(XI\)](#), [1038 \(XI\)](#), [1042 \(XI\)](#), [1043 \(XI\)](#), [1155 \(XII\)](#) to [1158 \(XII\)](#), [1160 \(XII\)](#) to [1164 \(XII\)](#), [1220 \(XII\)](#), [1255 A to E \(XIII\)](#), [1257 \(XIII\)](#) to [1260 \(XIII\)](#), [1300 \(XIII\)](#), [1311 \(XIII\)](#), [1321 \(XIII\)](#) to [1324 \(XIII\)](#), [1383 A and B \(XIV\)](#), [1391 \(XIV\)](#) to [1397 \(XIV\)](#), [1420 \(XIV\)](#) to [1431 \(XIV\)](#), [1434 \(XIV\)](#), [1507 \(XV\)](#) to [1511 \(XV\)](#), [1515 \(XV\)](#), [1517 \(XV\)](#) to [1519 \(XV\)](#), [1525 \(XV\)](#), [1674 \(XVI\)](#) to [1679 \(XVI\)](#), [1708 \(XVI\)](#), [1709 \(XVI\)](#), [1772 \(XVII\)](#) to [1778 \(XVII\)](#), [1786 \(XVII\)](#), [1825 \(XVII\)](#), [1830 \(XVII\)](#) to [1832 \(XVII\)](#), [1897 \(XVIII\)](#), [1914 \(XVIII\)](#) to [1923 \(XVIII\)](#), [1935 \(XVIII\)](#), [1942 \(XVIII\)](#) to [1944 \(XVIII\)](#), [1992 \(XVIII\)](#), [2057 \(XX\)](#) to [2060 \(XX\)](#), [2082 \(XX\)](#) to [2084 \(XX\)](#), [2190 A and B \(XXI\)](#), [2214 \(XXI\)](#), [2317 \(XXII\)](#) to [2320 \(XXII\)](#), [2335 \(XXII\)](#), [2432 \(XXIII\)](#) to [2434 \(XXIII\)](#), [2458 \(XXIII\)](#) to [2461 \(XXIII\)](#), [2560 \(XXIV\)](#) to [2568 \(XXIV\)](#), [2582 \(XXIV\)](#) to [2587 \(XXIV\)](#), [2643 \(XXV\)](#), [2659 \(XXV\)](#), [2681 \(XXV\)](#) to [2687 \(XXV\)](#), [2714 \(XXV\)](#) to [2717 \(XXV\)](#), [2802 \(XXVI\)](#) to [2808 \(XXVI\)](#), [2845 \(XXVI\)](#) to [2848 \(XXVI\)](#), [2855 \(XXVI\)](#), [2856 \(XXVI\)](#) (Declaration on the Rights of Mentally Retarded Persons), [2857 \(XXVI\)](#) to [2860 \(XXVI\)](#), [2874 \(XXVI\)](#), [2980 \(XXVII\)](#), [3009 \(XXVII\)](#) to [3019 \(XXVII\)](#), [3118 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3144 A and B \(XXVIII\)](#) to [3147 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3167 \(XXVIII\)](#) to [3175 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3218 \(XXIX\)](#) to [3222 \(XXIX\)](#), [3275 \(XXIX\)](#) to [3279 \(XXIX\)](#), [3300 \(XXIX\)](#), [3318 \(XXIX\)](#), [3319 \(XXIX\)](#), [3335 \(XXIX\)](#) to [3345 \(XXIX\)](#), [3346 \(XXIX\)](#) (Agreement between the United Nations and the World Intellectual Property Organization), [3347 \(XXIX\)](#), [3348 \(XXIX\)](#), [3421 \(XXX\)](#), [3443 \(XXX\)](#) to [3450 \(XXX\)](#), [3508 \(XXX\)](#) to [3516 \(XXX\)](#), [31/17](#), [31/30](#), [31/42](#), [31/43](#), [31/123](#) to [31/127](#),

31/180 to 31/188, 32/3, 32/36, 32/92 to 32/102, 32/107 (Agreement between the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development), 32/117 to 32/128, 32/156 (Agreement on Cooperation and Relationships between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization) to 32/162, 33/41, 33/122 to 33/133, 33/144 to 33/148, 33/162 to 33/176, 34/14 to 34/16, 34/42, 34/50, 34/118 to 34/137, 34/170 to 34/179, 34/191, 35/29, 35/108 to 35/111, 35/180 to 35/200, 36/40 to 36/43, 36/52, 36/70, 36/117 A, 36/151 to 36/171, 36/173, 36/227, 37/16, 37/32, 37/132 to 37/140, 37/168 to 37/186, 38/51, 38/56, 38/86 to 38/103, 38/143 to 38/151, 39/43, 39/102 to 39/121, 39/223 to 39/230, 39/248, 39/249, 40/53, 40/129 to 40/143, 40/144 (Declaration on the Human Rights of Individuals Who are not Nationals of the Country in Which They Live), 40/145 to 40/149, 40/169 to 40/180 (Agreement between the United Nations and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization), 40/181, 41/15, 41/136 to 41/161, 41/180 to 41/190, 42/8, 42/75, 42/126 to 42/147, 42/164 to 42/171, 43/15, 43/30, 43/137 to 43/159, 43/178 to 43/181, 44/85, 44/149 to 44/167, 44/230 to 44/238, 45/18, 45/152 to 45/157, 45/158 (International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families), 45/159 to 45/175, 45/180 to 45/190, 46/22, 46/65, 46/139, 46/140, 46/199 to 46/206, 47/16, 47/40, 47/170 to 47/177, 48/47, 48/212, 48/213, 49/3, 49/41, 49/129 to 49/136, 50/8, 50/34, 50/126 to 50/130, 51/141, 51/189 to 51/191 (United Nations Declaration against Corruption and Bribery in International Commercial Transactions), 52/15 to 52/17, 52/73, 52/149, 52/210, 53/24, 53/62, 53/199 to 53/201, 53/223, 54/85, 55/139, 55/253, 56/67, 56/211 to 56/213, 56/258, 56/281, 57/133, 58/2, 58/104, 58/112, 58/231, 58/232 (Agreement between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization), 59/55, 59/209, 59/210, 60/33, 60/34, 61/185, 61/268, 62/97, 63/8, 64/295, 65/266, 67/136, 68/18, 68/261, 69/266, 70/78, 70/253, 73/133, 75/128, 75/259, 76/8, 77/323, 78/125 and 78/126 and decisions adopted at the thirteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and twentieth to thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/414, 31/422 A to C, 31/427, 31/428, 32/425, 32/428 A to C, 32/443 A to C, 32/452, 33/436, 33/437, 33/444, 33/445, 34/418, 34/440, 34/445, 34/454, 34/455, 35/424, 35/425, 35/448, 35/449, 36/434, 36/435, 36/440, 36/450 to 36/452, 37/409, 37/444 to 37/446, 38/428 to 38/435, 38/449, 38/453, 39/442 to 39/445, 39/449, 39/453, 40/423, 40/426, 40/427, 40/431 to 40/436, 40/458, 40/462, 40/463, 40/478, 41/431 to 41/433, 41/449 to 41/458, 41/461, 41/465, 42/423 to 42/425, 42/427 to 42/435, 42/449 to 42/451, 43/426 to 43/428, 43/430 to 43/435, 43/448, 43/449, 43/456, 44/435, 44/441, 44/455 to 44/457, 45/426, 45/433, 45/434, 45/436 to 45/439, 45/453, 46/431, 46/432, 46/447, 46/448, 46/453 to 46/458, 47/432, 47/433, 47/438 to 47/440, 47/461, 47/462, 48/431 to 48/434, 48/452 to 48/457, 48/482, 48/483, 49/441, 49/442, 49/459, 49/460, 49/472, 49/473, 50/438 to 50/440, 50/456, 50/464 to 50/467, 51/424 to 51/426, 51/437, 51/448 to 51/450, 52/428, 52/429, 52/448 to 52/452, 52/454, 52/455, 53/417, 53/434, 53/435, 53/449 to 53/451, 54/437, 54/438, 54/449 to 54/452, 54/461, 54/464, 55/423, 55/424, 55/436, 55/447 to 55/450, 56/432 to 56/434, 56/447, 56/448, 56/456, 56/463, 56/469, 57/517, 57/538, 57/539, 57/552, 57/553, 58/542, 58/543, 58/552 to 58/556, 58/573, 67/509, 68/514, 69/558, 70/509, 71/507, 72/506, 73/508, 74/506, 75/509, 75/557, 76/512, 77/509 and 78/508).

In its decision 1982/112, the Economic and Social Council decided that the proceedings of the Committee for the United Nations Population Award would be reflected in a report to be submitted to the Secretary-General after each regular meeting, which would be attached to the annual report to be submitted to the Assembly by the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities.

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to consider, under the item entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields", the chapters of the annual report of the Economic and Social Council relevant to the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the



major United Nations conferences and summits, including through the participation in its discussions of the President of the Council (resolution [57/270 B](#)).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly decided that the item entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council” should be considered in its entirety in plenary meeting (resolution [58/316](#)), on the understanding, as noted in first reports of the General Committee, that the administrative, programme and budgetary aspects should be dealt with by the Fifth Committee.

Annually since its fifty-ninth session, the Assembly has been informed that the General Committee has taken note of the clarification that, in implementing resolution [58/316](#), the relevant parts of chapter I of the report that were under agenda items that had already been allocated to the Main Committees would be considered by the Committee concerned for final action by the Assembly ([A/59/250/Add.1](#), para. 4; and [A/78/250](#), para. 105 (a)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with the item entitled “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”, where statements were made by the President of the Economic and Social Council for the 2023 session and six delegations (see [A/78/PV.33](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Economic and Social Council: Supplement No. 3 ([A/79/3](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Secretary of the Committee for the United Nations Population Award (Economic and Social Council decision [1982/112](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 9)**

Report of the Economic and Social Council: Supplement No. 3 ([A/78/3](#))

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Secretary of the Committee for the United Nations Population Award ([A/78/285](#))

Draft resolutions [A/78/L.27](#) and [A/78/L.29](#)

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.33](#) (jointly with item 13) and 48

Resolutions [78/125](#) and [78/126](#)

Decision [78/508](#)

## **10. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin**

The item entitled “Restitution of works of art to countries victims of expropriation” was included in the agenda of the twenty-eighth session of the General Assembly at the request of Zaire ([A/9199](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twenty-eighth, thirtieth to thirty-second and thirty-fourth sessions (resolutions [3148 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3187 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3391 \(XXX\)](#), [31/40](#), [32/18](#) and [34/64](#)). At its thirty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session the item entitled “Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin” (resolution [34/64](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda biennially from its thirty-sixth to fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda triennially since its fifty-eighth session (resolutions [36/64](#), [38/34](#), [40/19](#), [42/7](#), [44/18](#), [46/10](#), [48/15](#), [50/56](#), [52/24](#), [54/190](#), [56/97](#), [58/17](#), [58/316](#), [61/52](#), [64/78](#), [67/80](#), [70/76](#), [73/130](#) and [76/16](#)).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided that the item, while remaining on the agenda of the plenary, should be considered every three years (resolution [58/316](#)). At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate, where statements were made by six delegations (see [A/76/PV.44](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [76/16](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [76/16](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 10)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/76/321</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/76/L.17</a> and <a href="#">A/76/L.17/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/76/PV.44</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">76/16</a>

## **12. Sport for development and peace**

At its fifty-eighth session, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee ([A/58/250](#), para. 42) after the consideration of the request of Tunisia ([A/58/142](#)) for the inclusion of an item entitled “International Year of Sport and Physical Education”, decided to include an item entitled “Sport for peace and development” in its agenda of that session (decision 58/503 A). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-eighth to sixty-third sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially at its sixty-fifth to sixty-seventh sessions (resolutions [58/5](#), [59/10](#), [60/8](#), [60/9](#), [61/10](#), [62/271](#), [63/135](#), [65/4](#), [67/17](#) and [67/296](#)).

At its sixty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include an item entitled “Sport for development and peace” in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session (resolution [67/296](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-ninth session (resolutions [69/6](#), [71/160](#), [73/24](#), [75/18](#), [77/27](#) and [77/324](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President and 16 delegations (see [A/77/PV.43](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution, including by providing a targeted review of the contribution of sport to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with particular attention to the annual high-level political forum on sustainable development, when it convenes under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council (resolution [77/27](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/27](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 11)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/161</a>
Draft resolutions	<a href="#">A/77/L.28</a> and <a href="#">A/77/L.95</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.43</a> and 96
Resolutions	<a href="#">77/27</a> and <a href="#">77/324</a>

### **13. 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**

At its fifty-sixth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council”, decided to include an item entitled “Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields” in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session (resolution [56/211](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [57/270](#) A and B, [57/271](#), [58/291](#), [59/145](#), [59/291](#), [59/314](#), [60/1](#) (2005 World Summit Outcome), [60/180](#), [60/251](#), [60/260](#), [60/265](#), [60/283](#), [60/287](#), [60/288](#), [61/16](#), [61/244](#) to [61/246](#), [62/8](#), [62/10](#), [63/9](#), [63/33](#), [63/199](#), [63/302](#), [63/308](#), [64/184](#), [64/267](#), [64/291](#), [64/292](#), [64/299](#), [65/1](#) (“Keeping the promise: united to achieve the Millennium Development Goals”), [65/7](#), [65/10](#), [65/234](#), [65/281](#), [65/285](#), [65/309](#), [65/313](#), [66/281](#), [66/284](#), [66/290](#), [67/18](#), [67/250](#), [67/291](#), [68/1](#), [68/6](#) (outcome document of the special event to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals), [68/304](#), [68/309](#), [69/15](#) (SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway), [69/108](#), [69/244](#), [69/268](#), [69/282](#), [69/310](#), [69/314](#), [69/315](#), [69/319](#), [70/1](#) (2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development), [70/110](#), [70/259](#), [70/262](#), [70/290](#), [70/293](#), [70/299](#), [70/301](#), [70/302](#), [71/1](#) (New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants), [71/8](#), [71/251](#), [71/279](#), [71/280](#), [71/313](#), [71/318](#), [71/326](#), [72/244](#), [72/277](#), [72/281](#), [72/305](#), [72/306](#), [72/308](#), [73/25](#), [73/134](#), [73/195](#) (Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration), [73/282](#), [73/284](#), [73/303](#), [73/326](#), [73/327](#), [73/333](#), [73/342](#), [73/343](#), [74/5](#), [74/244](#), [74/298](#), [74/306](#), [75/199](#), [75/262](#), [75/263](#), [75/274](#), [75/290](#) A and B, [75/311](#), [75/317](#), [75/318](#), [76/14](#), [76/129](#), [76/253](#), [76/256](#), [76/265](#), [76/266](#) (Progress Declaration of the International Migration Review Forum), [77/242](#), [77/268](#), [77/285](#), [77/301](#), [77/325](#), [77/326](#), [78/1](#) (political declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the General Assembly), [78/9](#), [78/122](#), [78/123](#), [78/127](#), [78/128](#), [78/259](#), [78/265](#), [78/278](#) and [78/285](#) and decisions [57/550](#), [58/529](#), [64/555](#), [65/504](#), [67/556](#), [69/550](#), [69/555](#), [69/557](#), [69/558](#), [70/539](#), [72/554](#), [73/552](#), [73/557](#) A and B, [74/508](#), [77/553](#), [77/566](#) and [78/544](#)).

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include the item in its annual agenda and invited the Secretary-General to submit a report on the subject. The Assembly also decided to consider, under this item, the chapters of the annual report of the Economic and Social Council relevant to the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, including through the participation in its discussions of the President of the Council (resolution [57/270](#) B).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided to maintain the status of the Human Rights Council as a subsidiary body of the Assembly and to consider again the question of whether to maintain this status at an appropriate moment and at a time no sooner than 10 years and no later than 15 years (resolution [65/281](#)).

At its seventieth session, the Assembly proclaimed 2016–2025 the United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition, within existing structures and available resources, and invited the Secretary-General to inform the Assembly about the implementation of the Decade of Action, on the basis of the biennial reports jointly compiled by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Health Organization (resolution [70/259](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to submit to the Assembly, through the Secretary-General, a periodic progress report on the implementation of the Third Industrial Development Decade for Africa (2016–2025) (resolution [70/293](#)).

At its seventy-second session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided that the Assembly should adopt one main theme for the high-level political forum on sustainable development and the Economic and Social Council, bearing in mind the provisions of resolution [70/299](#) (resolution [72/305](#)).

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly endorsed the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, which would also be known as the Marrakech Compact on Migration, in which the Heads of State and Government and High Representatives requested the Secretary-General, drawing on the United Nations Network on Migration, to report to the Assembly on a biennial basis on the implementation of the Global Compact, the activities of the United Nations system in that regard, as well as the functioning of the institutional arrangements, and decided that the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development should be repurposed and renamed “International Migration Review Forum” and that each edition of the forum would result in an intergovernmentally agreed Progress Declaration, which might be taken into consideration by the high-level political forum on sustainable development (resolution [73/195](#)). The Assembly also decided that the forums should take place during the first semester of the year 2022, and thereafter every four years at United Nations Headquarters in New York, and should last for four days; requested the Secretary-General, as part of the biennial report preceding each forum and drawing on the network, to provide guidance for the deliberations during the forum, including the envisaged round tables and policy debate, and to make the report available at least 12 weeks ahead of each forum; requested the Secretary-General, with input from the network, to prepare a background note for each round table to be circulated at least 6 weeks prior to each forum; requested the President of the General Assembly to appoint two co-facilitators no later than two months ahead of each forum to conduct open, transparent and inclusive intergovernmental consultations with a view to agreeing on the Progress Declaration, preferably before the beginning of each forum; and decided to review, after the second forum, its format and organizational aspects, unless otherwise decided (resolution [73/326](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its eighty-first session on the status of the implementation of the resolution entitled “United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021–2030)”, including its contribution to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (resolution [73/284](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, endorsed the Progress Declaration of the International Migration Review Forum, in which the Heads of State and Government and High Representatives requested the President of the Assembly to hold a plenary meeting of the Assembly in the second half of 2024 in order to consider the next biennial report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Global Compact, as well as the outcomes of the regional reviews, presented by the coordinator of the United Nations Network on Migration, and for Member States and stakeholders to present, on a voluntary basis, information on progress in implementing the pledges they had made in the context of the Forum (resolution [76/266](#), annex).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to continue its consideration of the issue of education for democracy at its seventy-ninth session under the item;

requested the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to submit a report, within existing reporting obligations, to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution, and invited the Special Rapporteur on the right to education, within her existing mandate, to contribute to the report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/268](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly decided to establish, under the auspices of the United Nations, the Independent Institution on Missing Persons in the Syrian Arab Republic and requested the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of the resolution within 100 working days of its adoption, and further to report on the activities of the Independent Institution on an annual basis (resolution [77/301](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, within its mandate and resources, in line with Economic and Social Council resolution [2013/40](#) and in close cooperation and collaboration with Member States, to continue to strengthen the collection of information on patterns and flows of illicit trafficking in wildlife and to report thereon biennially. It also requested the Secretary-General, taking into account Council resolution [2013/40](#), to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the global status of illicit trafficking in wildlife, including poaching and illegal trade, taking into account the trends regarding illicit wildlife trafficking, and on the implementation of the resolution and to make proposals for possible future action; and decided to revisit the issue and the implementation of the resolution on a biennial basis, next at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/325](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with the items entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, “Strengthening of the United Nations system” and “United Nations reform: measures and proposals”, where no statements were made by delegations (see [A/78/PV.16](#)); and in a joint debate, with the item entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council”, where statements were made by the President of the Economic and Social Council for the 2023 session and six delegations (see [A/78/PV.33](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly, also under this item and the sub-item entitled “Oceans and the law of the sea”, decided that the high-level 2025 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development, co-hosted by Costa Rica and France, will be organized in Nice, France, from 9 to 13 June 2025, to support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14 (resolution [78/128](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, agreed to fully review at its eightieth session the arrangements contained in resolutions [75/290 A](#) and [75/290 B](#) and their annexes, in conjunction with each other, in order to benefit from lessons learned from the previous cycles of the high-level political forum as well as from relevant processes under the Assembly and the Economic and Social Council related to the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda (resolution [78/285](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [77/268](#), [77/301](#) and [77/325](#)).

*Documents for the eightieth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [70/259](#), [73/195](#) and [73/326](#)).

*Document for the eighty-first session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [73/284](#)).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 13)

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/627</a>
Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on the Third Industrial Development Decade for Africa (2016–2025)	<a href="#">(A/78/258)</a>
Note by the Secretariat	<a href="#">A/78/588</a>
Draft resolutions	<a href="#">A/78/L.1</a> (also applies to item 117), <a href="#">A/78/L.8</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.11</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.16</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.25</a> (also applies to item 75 (a)), <a href="#">A/78/L.28</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.34</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.49</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.60</a> and <a href="#">A/78/L.73</a> (also applies to item 117)
Draft decision	<a href="#">A/78/L.35</a> (also applies to item 117)
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.15</a> (jointly with item 117), <a href="#">16</a> (jointly with items 117, 122 and 123), <a href="#">33</a> (jointly with item 9), <a href="#">37</a> , <a href="#">47</a> , <a href="#">48</a> (also applies to item 75 (a)), <a href="#">52</a> , <a href="#">53</a> (also applies to item 117), <a href="#">63</a> , <a href="#">77</a> and <a href="#">88</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/1</a> (also applies to item 117), <a href="#">78/9</a> , <a href="#">78/122</a> , <a href="#">78/123</a> , <a href="#">78/127</a> , <a href="#">78/128</a> (also applies to item 75 (a)), <a href="#">78/259</a> , <a href="#">78/265</a> , <a href="#">78/278</a> and <a href="#">78/285</a> (also applies to item 117)
Decision	<a href="#">78/544</a> (also applies to item 117)

## 14. Culture of peace

The item entitled “Towards a culture of peace” was included in the agenda of the fifty-second session of the General Assembly at the request of a number of States ([A/52/191](#)). At that session, the Assembly, under that item, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session an item entitled “Culture of peace” (resolution [52/13](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-third session and has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-fifth session (resolutions [53/25](#), [53/243](#) (Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of Peace), [55/47](#), [56/5](#), [57/6](#), [58/11](#), [58/128](#), [59/23](#), [59/142](#), [59/143](#), [60/3](#), [60/10](#), [60/11](#), [61/45](#), [61/221](#), [61/269](#) to [61/271](#), [62/89](#), [62/90](#), [63/22](#), [63/113](#), [63/198](#), [64/13](#), [64/14](#), [64/80](#), [64/81](#), [64/253](#), [65/5](#), [65/11](#), [65/138](#), [65/275](#), [66/116](#), [66/226](#), [67/104](#) to [67/106](#), [68/125](#) to [68/127](#), [69/139](#), [69/140](#), [69/281](#), [69/312](#), [70/19](#), [70/20](#), [70/109](#), [70/254](#), [71/249](#), [71/252](#), [71/275](#), [72/17](#), [72/129](#), [72/130](#), [72/136](#), [72/137](#), [72/241](#), [73/126](#) to [73/129](#), [73/300](#), [73/328](#), [73/329](#), [73/338](#), [73/344](#), [74/21](#) to [74/23](#), [75/25](#), [75/26](#), [75/200](#), [75/258](#), [76/68](#), [76/69](#), [76/250](#), [76/254](#), [77/243](#), [77/296](#), [77/318](#), [78/129](#), [78/264](#), [78/266](#), [78/268](#), [78/277](#), [78/282](#) and [78/286](#)).

At its sixty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to designate 18 July as Nelson Mandela International Day, to be observed each year beginning in 2010, and requested the Secretary-General to keep the Assembly informed on an annual basis concerning the observance of the Day (resolution [64/13](#)).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly proclaimed the first week of February every year the World Interfaith Harmony Week between all religions, faiths and beliefs, and

encouraged all States to support, on a voluntary basis, the spread of the message of interfaith harmony and goodwill in the world's churches, mosques, synagogues, temples and other places of worship during that week. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to keep it informed of the implementation of the resolution (resolution [65/5](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided to continue consideration of the question of promoting a culture of peace and tolerance to safeguard religious sites (resolution [75/258](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to convene, within existing resources, in 2025, a global conference on promoting interreligious and intercultural dialogue and tolerance in countering hate speech that involves United Nations entities, Member States, political figures, religious leaders, faith-based organizations, media, civil society and other relevant stakeholders (resolution [77/318](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate, where statements were made by 31 delegations (see [A/78/PV.76](#) and [77](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its eightieth session on the implementation of the resolution entitled "Promotion of interreligious and intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace" (resolution [78/129](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to prepare and submit a report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution entitled "Measures to combat Islamophobia" and on measures taken by Member States and the United Nations pursuant to the resolution to combat Islamophobia in all its forms and manifestations (resolution [78/264](#)).

Also at its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report, within existing resources, on actions taken by Member States, on the basis of information provided by them, and those taken system-wide by all concerned entities of the United Nations to implement the resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of Peace" (resolution [78/277](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [77/296](#), [78/264](#) and [78/277](#)).

*Document for the eightieth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/129](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 14)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/591</a>
Draft resolutions	<a href="#">A/78/L.26</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.47</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.48</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.53</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.57</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.67/Rev.1</a> and <a href="#">A/78/L.75</a>
Draft amendments	<a href="#">A/78/L.51</a> and <a href="#">A/78/L.52</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.48</a> , <a href="#">62</a> , <a href="#">63</a> , <a href="#">64</a> , <a href="#">76</a> , <a href="#">77</a> , <a href="#">82</a> and <a href="#">88</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/129</a> , <a href="#">78/264</a> , <a href="#">78/266</a> , <a href="#">78/268</a> , <a href="#">78/277</a> , <a href="#">78/282</a> and <a href="#">78/286</a>

## 15. Information and communications technologies for sustainable development

At its fifty-sixth session, in the course of its consideration of the item entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council”, the General Assembly decided, on the proposal of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Venezuela, to convene a meeting of the Assembly during that session devoted to bridging the digital divide and promoting digital opportunities in the emerging information society (see [A/57/280](#)). It further decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session an item entitled “Information and communication technologies for development” (resolution [56/258](#)).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-seventh to seventy-first sessions (resolutions [57/295](#), [59/220](#) (World Summit on the Information Society), [60/252](#), [62/182](#), [63/202](#), [64/186](#) (“Building connectivity through the Trans-Eurasian Information Super Highway”), [64/187](#), [65/141](#), [66/184](#), [67/194](#) (“Building connectivity through the Trans-Eurasian Information Super Highway”), [67/195](#), [67/289](#), [68/198](#), [68/302](#) (modalities for the overall review by the Assembly of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society), [69/204](#), [70/125](#) (outcome document of the high-level meeting of the Assembly on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society), [70/184](#) and [71/212](#) and decisions [58/569](#), [59/531](#), [61/534](#) and [69/559](#)). At its seventy-second session, the Assembly renamed the item “Information and communications technologies for sustainable development” (resolution [72/200](#)) and has had it on its agenda annually since that session (resolutions [72/200](#), [73/218](#), [74/197](#), [75/202](#), [76/189](#), [77/150](#) and [78/132](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in a joint general discussion on the item and the item entitled “Globalization and interdependence” were made by 43 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.10](#) and 11). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session, through the Commission on Science and Technology for Development and the Economic and Social Council, an action-oriented report on the status of the implementation of and follow-up to the resolution, as part of his annual report on the progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society at the regional and international levels (resolution [78/132](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/132](#)).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 15)

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/62</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.10</a> , 11, 21 and 23
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/458</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/132</a>

## 16. Macroeconomic policy questions

The item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions” was included in the agenda of the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session pursuant to its resolution [48/162](#) on measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields, as part of the reorganization of the agenda of the



Second Committee under section E of annex II on the division of labour between the Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion were made by 59 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9 and 11](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 16)**

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11, 21–23 and 25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/459</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/133</a>

#### **(a) International trade and development**

At its nineteenth session, the General Assembly established, under the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development”, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development as an organ of the Assembly (resolution [1995 \(XIX\)](#)). By the same resolution, the Assembly established the Trade and Development Board, which carries out the functions that fall within the competence of the Conference when the Conference is not in session. The Board reports annually on its activities to the Assembly.

At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, a sub-item entitled “International trade and development” (resolution [56/178](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [57/235](#), [58/197](#), [59/221](#), [60/184](#), [61/186](#), [62/184](#), [63/203](#), [63/204](#), [64/188](#), [65/142](#), [66/185](#), [67/196](#), [68/199](#), [69/205](#), [70/186](#), [70/187](#), [71/214](#), [72/202](#), [73/219](#), [74/201](#), [75/203](#), [76/190](#), [77/151](#) and [78/134](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution and developments in the international trading system, including concrete recommendations to accelerate the implementation of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development in that regard (resolution [78/134](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Trade and Development Board on its seventieth regular session: Supplement No. 15 ([A/79/15](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/134](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 16 (a))**

Report of the Trade and Development Board on its seventy-third executive session and its seventieth regular session: Supplement No. 15 ([A/78/15 \(Part I\)](#) and [A/78/15 \(Part II\)](#))

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/230</a> and <a href="#">A/78/506</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11, 21 and 22</a>

Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/459/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/134</a>

**(b) International financial system and development**

At its fiftieth session, the General Assembly adopted, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, a resolution entitled “Global financial integration: challenges and opportunities” (resolution [50/91](#)).

The Assembly considered this question annually from its fifty-first to fifty-fifth sessions under the item entitled “Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries” (resolutions [51/166](#), [52/180](#), [53/172](#), [54/197](#) and [55/186](#)).

At its fifty-fifth session, the Assembly decided to include a sub-item entitled “International financial system and development” in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session (resolution [55/186](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its fifty-sixth session (resolutions [56/181](#), [57/241](#), [58/202](#), [59/222](#), [60/186](#), [61/187](#), [62/185](#), [63/205](#), [64/190](#), [65/143](#), [66/187](#), [66/188](#), [67/197](#), [68/201](#), [69/206](#), [70/188](#), [70/189](#), [71/215](#), [72/203](#), [73/220](#), [74/202](#), [75/204](#), [76/192](#), [77/152](#) and [78/136](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session an action-oriented report on the implementation of the resolution, with a particular focus on reform of the international financial system in the post-coronavirus disease (COVID-19) era (resolution [78/136](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/136](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 16 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/178</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11, 21 and 22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/459/Add.2</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV/49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/136</a>

**(c) External debt sustainability and development**

The item entitled “External debt crisis and development” was included in the agenda of the forty-first session of the General Assembly at the request of Yugoslavia, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that were members of the Group of 77 ([A/41/144](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its forty-first session (resolutions [41/202](#), [42/198](#), [43/198](#), [44/205](#), [45/214](#), [46/148](#), [47/198](#), [48/182](#), [49/94](#), [50/92](#), [51/164](#), [52/185](#), [53/175](#), [54/202](#), [55/184](#), [56/184](#), [57/240](#), [58/203](#), [59/223](#), [60/187](#), [61/188](#), [62/186](#), [63/206](#), [64/191](#), [65/144](#), [66/189](#), [67/198](#), [68/202](#), [69/207](#), [69/247](#), [70/190](#), [71/216](#), [72/204](#), [73/221](#), [74/203](#), [75/205](#), [76/193](#), [77/153](#) and [78/137](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, an action-oriented report on the implementation of the resolution and to include in his report progress made on international measures and concrete recommendations to accelerate the implementation of the Addis Ababa

Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development with respect to matters of debt and debt sustainability and the related efforts to recover from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, as well as their implications for external debt sustainability and development (resolution [78/137](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/137](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 16 (c))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report prepared by the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on external debt sustainability and development ([A/78/229](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11, 21 and 25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/459/Add.3</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/137</a>

#### **(d) Promotion of international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows and strengthen good practices on assets return to foster sustainable development**

At its seventy-first session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-second session a sub-item entitled “Promotion of international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows in order to foster sustainable development” (resolution [71/213](#)).

At its seventy-second session, the Assembly decided to include, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, a sub-item entitled “Promotion of international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows and strengthen good practices on assets return to foster sustainable development” in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session (resolution [72/207](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its seventy-third session (resolutions [73/222](#), [74/206](#), [75/206](#), [76/196](#), [77/154](#) and [78/140](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report, within existing resources, in relation to progress made on combating illicit financial flows and the implementation of assets return and recovery based on existing mechanisms, and to elaborate on strengthening international coordination in that regard; and requested the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to inform it, at its seventy-ninth session, about the implementation of the resolution, through a dedicated section of the *Sustainable Development Goals Pulse* report, to be introduced to the Second Committee by the Secretariat, elaborating in particular on the progress in testing, refining and applying the methodology to report on indicator 16.4.1, and the need to combat illicit financial flows and recover and return stolen assets in line with commitments contained in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in the context of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic (resolution [78/140](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/140](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 16 (f))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/186</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11, 21</a> and <a href="#">23</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/459/Add.6</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/140</a>

**(e) Promoting investments for sustainable development**

At its seventy-fourth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fifth session, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, a sub-item entitled “Promoting investments for sustainable development” (resolution [74/199](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its seventy-fifth session (resolutions [75/207](#), [76/197](#) [77/155](#) and [78/141](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to inform the Assembly, at its seventy-ninth session, of the implementation of the resolution, based on their ongoing research, through a dedicated section of the *World Investment Report*, with a special focus on promoting investments for sustainable development as well as concrete recommendations, including on strategic sectors to invest for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and looked forward to the continuing consideration of those issues in the forthcoming reports of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development (resolution [78/141](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 16 (g))**

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11, 21</a> and <a href="#">23</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/459/Add.7</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/141</a>

**(f) Promotion of inclusive and effective international cooperation on tax matters at the United Nations**

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-eighth session, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, a sub-item entitled “Promotion of inclusive and effective international cooperation on tax matters at the United Nations” (resolution [77/244](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to establish a Member State-led, open-ended ad hoc intergovernmental committee for the purpose of drafting terms of reference for a United Nations framework convention on international tax cooperation and requested the ad hoc intergovernmental committee to submit a report to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session, containing the draft terms of reference for a United Nations framework convention. The Assembly also decided to include the sub-item in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/230](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Draft Terms of Reference for a United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation (resolution [78/230](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 16 (h))**

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11 and 25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/459/Add.8</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/657</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50 (Resumption 1)</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/230</a>

### **17. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development**

At its fifty-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-eighth session an item entitled “Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development” (resolution [57/250](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda annually from its fifty-eighth to sixty-second sessions (resolutions [58/230](#), [59/225](#), [59/293](#), [60/188](#), [61/191](#) and [62/187](#)).

At its sixty-second session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session an item entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the preparation of the 2008 Review Conference” (resolution [62/187](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda annually from its sixty-third to sixty-ninth sessions (resolutions [63/239](#), [63/277](#), [63/303](#), [64/193](#), [65/145](#), [65/146](#), [65/314](#), [66/191](#), [67/199](#), [67/300](#), [68/204](#), [68/279](#), [69/208](#), [69/278](#) and [69/313](#) and decision [63/556](#)).

At its sixty-ninth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session an item entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development” (resolution [69/208](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventieth session (resolutions [70/192](#), [71/217](#), [72/208](#), [73/223](#), [74/207](#), [75/208](#), [76/198](#), [77/156](#) and [78/231](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion were made by 59 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, and 11](#)). The Assembly decided to convene, in 2025, a fourth international conference on financing for development to, inter alia, assess the progress made in the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus, the Doha Declaration and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, identifying obstacles and constraints encountered in the achievement of the goals and objectives agreed therein, as well as actions and initiatives to overcome these constraints, and to address new and emerging issues, including in the context of the urgent need to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and to support reform of the international financial architecture. The Assembly also decided to establish an intergovernmental preparatory committee to make the organizational, procedural and substantive preparations for the Conference, which would hold a one-day organizational session in the first quarter of 2024 and up to three sessions, of no more than five days each, in 2024 and up to two sessions, of no more than five days each, in 2025, with the last session taking place in New York, on dates to be decided at the organizational session of the intergovernmental preparatory committee. The

Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, an action-oriented report, presenting emerging challenges and key accelerators for financing for development that may be relevant for future discussions in the framework of the Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up and the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development (resolution [78/231](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/231](#));
- (b) Summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the 2023 Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up (resolution [78/231](#)).

### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 17)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/190</a>
Summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the forum on financing for development follow-up, including the special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (New York, 17–20 April 2023) ( <a href="#">A/78/93</a> )	
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.8, 9, 11, 21</a> and <a href="#">25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/460</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/660</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/231</a>

## **18. Sustainable development**

At its fifty-eighth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council”, approved the provisional programme of work of the Second Committee for the fifty-ninth session as set out in the annex to decision 58/553, which included the item entitled “Sustainable development” and its sub-items. The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-ninth session (resolutions [59/226](#), [60/189](#) to [60/191](#), [62/8](#), [62/98](#), [62/188](#), [63/209](#) to [63/211](#), [64/195](#), [64/196](#), [65/147](#) to [65/151](#), [66/192](#) to [66/196](#), [66/288](#), [67/200](#) to [67/202](#), [67/263](#), [68/205](#) to [68/209](#), [69/209](#) to [69/213](#), [70/193](#) to [70/200](#), [70/226](#), [70/267](#), [70/303](#), [71/218](#) to [71/221](#), [71/284](#) to [71/286](#), [71/312](#), [72/209](#) to [72/215](#), [72/273](#), [73/224](#), [73/225](#), [73/292](#), [74/208](#) to [74/215](#), [75/209](#) to [75/211](#), [75/278](#), [75/280](#), [76/199](#) to [76/201](#), [77/157](#) to [77/160](#), [77/281](#) to [77/283](#), [77/286](#), [77/295](#), [77/316](#), [77/327](#), [77/334](#), [78/142](#) to [78/150](#) and [78/260](#) and decisions [61/536](#), [64/556](#), [66/572](#), [69/544](#), [71/548](#), [71/552](#) A and B, [74/547](#), [74/548](#), [76/554](#), [76/555](#), [76/558](#), [76/559](#) A and B and [76/562](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 82 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.12, 13](#) and [15](#)).

### **Oil slick on Lebanese shores**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution on the oil slick on Lebanese shores (resolution [78/143](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/143).*

### **The pivotal role of reliable and stable energy connectivity in driving sustainable development**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States and relevant entities of the United Nations common system on issues relating to reliable and stable energy connectivity, as well as on possible ways to strengthen international cooperation in that sphere, and to communicate such views in a summary report to it at its seventy-ninth session (resolution 78/149).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/149).*

### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/280</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12</a> , <a href="#">13</a> , <a href="#">15</a> and <a href="#">21–25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/143</a> and <a href="#">78/149</a>

#### **(a) Towards the achievement of sustainable development: implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including through sustainable consumption and production, building on Agenda 21**

At its forty-seventh session, the General Assembly endorsed the recommendation of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 3–14 June 1992) on the establishment of a high-level Commission on Sustainable Development as a functional commission of the Economic and Social Council (resolution 47/191).

At its nineteenth special session, the Assembly adopted the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 (resolution [S-19/2](#), annex).

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly endorsed the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation that had been adopted at the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August to 4 September 2002), and called for the implementation of the commitments, programmes and time-bound targets adopted at the Summit (resolution [57/253](#)).

At its sixty-sixth session, the Assembly endorsed the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012, entitled “The future we want” (resolution [66/288](#)).

At its sixty-seventh session, the Assembly recommended that the Economic and Social Council abolish the Commission on Sustainable Development, as it had been replaced by the high-level political forum on sustainable development (resolution [67/290](#)). The Council, in its resolution [2013/19](#), abolished the Commission.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-eighth session (resolutions [58/218](#), [59/227](#), [60/193](#), [61/192](#), [61/193](#), [61/195](#), [62/189](#), [63/212](#), [64/198](#), [64/236](#), [65/152](#), [65/154](#), [66/197](#), [66/288](#), [67/203](#), [67/204](#), [67/290](#), [68/210](#), [68/310](#), [69/210](#), [69/214](#), [69/215](#), [70/201](#), [71/223](#), [72/216](#), [73/226](#), [73/227](#), [74/216](#), [75/212](#), [75/213](#), [76/202](#), [77/161](#), [77/162](#) and [78/151](#) and decisions [77/546](#), [77/551](#) and [77/552](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/151](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/151](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (a))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/208</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12, 13, 15, 21 and 22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/151</a>

#### **(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States**

At its forty-ninth session, the General Assembly endorsed the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, as adopted on 6 May 1994 at the first Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, held in Barbados from 25 April to 6 May 1994 (resolution [49/122](#)).

The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its fiftieth session (resolutions [50/116](#), [51/183](#), [52/202](#), [53/189](#), [54/224](#), [55/202](#), [56/198](#), [57/261](#), [58/213 A and B](#), [59/229](#), [59/311](#), [60/194](#), [61/196](#), [61/197](#), [62/191](#), [63/213](#), [64/199](#), [65/156](#), [66/198](#), [67/205](#) to [67/207](#), [68/238](#), [69/15](#), [69/216](#), [69/217](#), [70/202](#), [71/224](#), [71/225](#), [72/217](#), [72/307](#), [73/228](#), [73/229](#), [74/217](#), [75/214](#), [75/215](#), [76/203](#), [77/163](#), [77/245](#), [77/328](#) and [78/232](#) and decisions [67/558](#) and [69/546](#)).

At its twenty-second special session, the Assembly adopted the Declaration and the text entitled “State of progress and initiatives for the future implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States” (resolution [S-22/2](#)).

At its sixty-ninth session, the Assembly reaffirmed the outcome document of the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway (resolution [69/15](#), annex), and urged its speedy implementation, and decided to change the title of the sub-item to “Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States” (resolution [69/217](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the follow-up to and implementation of the Samoa Pathway, including on progress made and continuing challenges faced, and on the implementation of the resolution, building on the discussions and outcomes of the national, regional and interregional preparatory meetings, as well as the fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States and the final report of the High-level Panel on the Development of a Multidimensional Vulnerability Index (resolution [78/232](#)).



*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolutions [77/163](#) and [78/232](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/222</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12</a> , 13, 15, 21 and 22
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.2</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/658</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a> and <a href="#">50 (Resumption 1)</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/232</a>

**(c) Disaster risk reduction**

At its forty-second session, the General Assembly decided to designate the 1990s as the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (resolution [42/169](#)).

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its fifty-sixth session on the implementation of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (resolution [54/219](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its fifty-sixth session (resolutions [56/194](#), [56/195](#), [57/255](#), [57/256](#), [58/214](#), [58/215](#), [59/231](#) to [59/233](#), [60/195](#), [60/196](#), [61/198](#) to [61/200](#), [62/192](#), [63/215](#) to [63/217](#), [64/200](#), [65/157](#), [65/158](#), [66/199](#), [67/208](#), [67/209](#), [68/99](#), [68/211](#), [69/219](#), [69/283](#), [69/284](#), [70/110](#), [70/203](#), [70/204](#), [71/226](#), [72/218](#), [73/230](#), [73/231](#), [74/218](#), [75/216](#), [76/204](#), [77/164](#), [77/289](#) and [78/152](#) and decisions [74/537 B](#), [77/558](#) and [78/546](#)).

At its sixtieth session, the Assembly endorsed the Hyogo Declaration and the Hyogo Framework for Action 2005–2015: Building the Resilience of Nations and Communities to Disasters, as adopted by the World Conference on Disaster Reduction, held at Kobe, Hyogo, Japan, from 18 to 22 January 2005 (resolution [60/195](#)).

At its sixty-ninth session, the Assembly endorsed the Sendai Declaration and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030 adopted by the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, held in Sendai, Japan, from 14 to 18 March 2015 (resolution [69/283](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the implementation of the resolution, the effective global response to address the impacts of the El Niño phenomenon and the implementation of the United Nations action plan to ensure that every person on Earth is protected by early warning systems within five years (resolution [78/152](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/152](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (c))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/267</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12</a> , 13, 15, 21 and 23
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.3</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a> , <a href="#">50 (Resumption 1)</a> and 55
Resolution	<a href="#">78/152</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/546</a>

**(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind**

At its thirty-ninth session, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its forty-first session and every three years thereafter, through the Economic and Social Council, on products harmful to health and the environment (resolution [39/229](#)).

The item entitled “Conservation of climate as part of the common heritage of mankind” was included in the agenda of the forty-third session of the Assembly at the request of Malta ([A/43/241](#)).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-third to forty-sixth sessions (resolutions [43/53](#), [44/207](#), [45/212](#) and [46/169](#)).

At its forty-seventh session, the Assembly welcomed the adoption, on 9 May 1992, of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (resolution [47/195](#)).

The Assembly has considered the question annually since its forty-eighth session (resolutions [48/189](#), [49/120](#), [50/115](#), [51/184](#), [52/199](#), [54/222](#), [56/199](#), [57/257](#), [58/243](#), [59/234](#), [60/197](#), [61/201](#), [62/86](#), [63/32](#), [64/73](#), [65/159](#), [66/200](#), [67/210](#), [68/212](#), [69/220](#), [70/205](#), [71/228](#), [72/219](#), [73/232](#), [74/219](#), [75/217](#), [76/205](#), [77/165](#) and [78/153](#) and decisions [53/444](#) and [55/443](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to report, through the Secretary-General, to it, at its seventy-ninth session, on the work of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention (resolution [78/153](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports on the implementation of United Nations environmental conventions (resolution [78/153](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (d))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports submitted by the secretariats of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, and the Convention on Biological Diversity ([A/78/209](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12, 13, 15, 21 and 25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.4</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/153</a>

**(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa**

The General Assembly first considered the sub-item at its forty-seventh session, after the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in June 1992 (resolution [47/188](#)).

At its forty-ninth session, the Assembly welcomed the adoption of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, on 17 June 1994 (resolution [49/234](#)). The Convention entered into force on 26 December 1996.

The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its fifty-second session (resolutions [52/198](#), [53/191](#), [54/223](#), [55/204](#), [56/196](#), [57/259](#), [58/211](#), [58/242](#), [59/235](#), [60/200](#), [60/201](#), [61/202](#), [62/193](#), [63/218](#), [64/201](#), [64/202](#), [65/160](#), [66/201](#), [67/211](#), [68/213](#), [69/221](#), [70/206](#), [71/229](#), [72/220](#), [73/233](#), [74/220](#), [75/218](#), [76/206](#), [77/166](#) and [78/154](#) and decision [74/551](#)).

At the seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/154](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports on the implementation of United Nations environmental conventions (resolution [78/154](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (e))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports submitted by the secretariats of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, and the Convention on Biological Diversity ([A/78/209](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12, 13, 15, 21 and 23</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.5</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/154</a>

#### **(f) Convention on Biological Diversity**

The Convention on Biological Diversity was opened for signature at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, held in June 1992, and entered into force on 29 December 1993.

The General Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its fifty-first session (resolutions [51/182](#), [52/201](#), [53/190](#), [54/221](#), [55/201](#), [56/197](#), [57/260](#), [58/212](#), [59/236](#), [60/202](#), [61/204](#), [62/194](#), [63/219](#), [64/203](#), [65/161](#), [66/202](#), [67/212](#), [68/214](#), [69/222](#), [70/207](#), [71/230](#), [72/221](#), [73/234](#), [74/221](#), [74/269](#), [75/219](#), [75/271](#), [76/207](#), [77/167](#) and [78/155](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the implementation of the resolution including on progress in the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (resolution [78/155](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports on the implementation of United Nations environmental conventions (resolution [78/155](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (f))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports submitted by the secretariats of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, and the Convention on Biological Diversity ([A/78/209](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12, 13, 15, 21 and 25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.6</a>

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/155</a>

**(g) Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme**

At its twenty-seventh session, the General Assembly adopted a number of provisions setting up the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) (resolution [2997 \(XXVII\)](#)), including the establishment of the Governing Council of UNEP.

At its sixty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to strengthen and upgrade UNEP and to establish universal membership in the Governing Council of UNEP and mandated it, as from the first universal session in February 2013, to expeditiously initiate the implementation of the provisions contained in paragraph 88 of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in its entirety, make a recommendation on the designation of the Governing Council to reflect its universal character and decide on future arrangements for the Global Ministerial Environment Forum (resolution [67/213](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly changed the designation of the Governing Council to the United Nations Environment Assembly of UNEP (resolution [67/251](#)).

At its seventy-first session, the Assembly took note of resolution 2/22 adopted by the United Nations Environment Assembly on 27 May 2016 on the review of the cycle of the United Nations Environment Assembly of UNEP, in which it decided to hold its regular sessions in odd-numbered years commencing with its third session, in 2017 (resolution [71/231](#)). The Assembly had the sub-item on its agenda at its seventy-third, seventy-fourth, seventy-sixth and seventy-seventh sessions (resolutions [73/260](#), [74/222](#), [76/208](#) and [77/168](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include the sub-item in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/168](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme: Supplement No. 25 (A/79/25).*

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 18 (g))**

Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme on its resumed fifth session (Nairobi, 28 February–2 March 2022): Supplement No. 25 ([A/77/25](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.10, 11, 13, 21 and 24</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/443/Add.7</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/168</a>

**(h) Harmony with Nature**

At its sixty-fourth session, the General Assembly considered this question for the first time, under the item entitled “Sustainable development”. The Assembly invited Member States, the relevant organizations of the United Nations system and international, regional and subregional organizations to consider the issue of promoting life in harmony with nature and to transmit to the Secretary-General their views, experiences and proposals on that issue (resolution [64/196](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its sixty-fifth session (resolutions

[65/164](#), [66/204](#), [67/214](#), [68/216](#), [69/224](#), [70/208](#), [71/232](#), [72/223](#), [73/235](#), [74/224](#), [75/220](#), [76/255](#) and [77/169](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to continue to observe International Mother Earth Day annually on 22 April, and requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/169](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/169](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 18 (i))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/244</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.10</a> , <a href="#">11</a> , <a href="#">13</a> , <a href="#">21</a> and <a href="#">24</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/443/Add.8</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/169</a>

#### **(i) Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all**

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly endorsed the World Solar Programme 1996–2005, adopted by the World Solar Summit, held in Harare in September 1996 ([A/53/395](#), annex) (resolution [53/7](#)).

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session, under the item entitled “Environment and sustainable development”, a sub-item entitled “Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996–2005” (resolution [54/215](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fifth session and biennially from its fifty-sixth to sixtieth sessions (resolutions [55/205](#), [56/200](#), [58/210](#) and [60/199](#)).

At its sixtieth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-second session, under the item entitled “Sustainable development”, a sub-item entitled “Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy” (resolution [60/199](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda biennially from its sixty-second to sixty-sixth sessions and biennially from its sixty-seventh to seventy-first sessions (resolutions [62/197](#), [64/206](#), [66/206](#), [67/215](#), [69/225](#) and [71/233](#)).

At its sixty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to declare 2014–2024 the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Energy for All, to be promoted through all sources of energy (resolution [67/215](#)).

At its seventy-first session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-second session, under the item entitled “Sustainable development”, a sub-item entitled “Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all” (resolution [71/233](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since then (resolutions [72/224](#), [73/236](#), [74/225](#), [75/221](#), [76/210](#), [77/170](#) and [78/157](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the implementation of the resolution, including activities carried out to mark the Decade of Sustainable Energy for All (resolution [78/157](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/157](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (h))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/201</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12, 13, 15, 21 and 23</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.8</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/157</a>

**(j) Combating sand and dust storms**

At its seventieth session, the General Assembly considered this question for the first time, under the item entitled “Sustainable development”. The Assembly recognized that dust and sandstorms posed a great challenge to the sustainable development of affected countries and regions, and underscored the need to promptly take measures to address those challenges (resolution [70/195](#)). The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its seventy-first session (resolutions [71/219](#), [72/225](#), [73/237](#), [74/226](#), [75/222](#), [76/211](#), [77/171](#), [77/294](#) and [78/158](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the President of the General Assembly to convene, at its seventy-ninth session, a high-level meeting on sand and dust storms, to be held in the General Assembly Hall, in the context of the International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms, and requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/158](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/158](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 18 (i))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/237</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.12, 13, 15, 21 and 22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/461/Add.9</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/158</a>

**(k) Promoting the social and solidarity economy for sustainable development**

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session a sub-item entitled “Promoting the social and solidarity economy for sustainable development” and requested the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/281](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/281](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 18)**

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.60</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.66</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/281</a>

**19. Follow-up to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)**

The first United Nations Conference on Human Settlements was held in Vancouver, Canada, from 31 May to 11 June 1976. At its thirty-first session, the General Assembly took note of the report of the Conference (resolution [31/109](#)).

At its thirty-second session, the Assembly established the Commission on Human Settlements and decided that the report of the work of the Commission should be submitted to the Assembly through the Economic and Social Council (resolution [32/162](#)).

Pursuant to Assembly resolution [47/180](#), the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) was held in Istanbul, Turkey, from 3 to 14 June 1996. Subsequently, in its resolution [51/177](#), the Assembly endorsed the Istanbul Declaration on Human Settlements and the Habitat Agenda adopted by the Conference.

The question was considered at the forty-ninth, fiftieth, fifty-second to seventy-third and seventy-fifth and seventy-sixth sessions of the Assembly (resolutions [49/109](#), [50/100](#), [52/190](#), [53/180](#), [54/207](#) to [54/209](#), [55/194](#), [55/195](#), [56/205](#), [56/206](#), [57/275](#), [58/226](#), [59/239](#), [60/203](#), [61/206](#), [62/198](#), [63/221](#), [64/207](#), [65/165](#), [66/207](#), [67/216](#), [68/239](#) (designation of World Cities Day), [69/226](#), [70/210](#), [71/256](#), [72/226](#), [73/239](#) and [75/224](#)).

At its twenty-fifth special session, the Assembly adopted the Declaration on Cities and Other Human Settlements in the New Millennium (resolution [S-25/2](#)).

At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly decided to transform, with effect from 1 January 2002, the Commission on Human Settlements and its secretariat, the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), into the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, to be known as UN-Habitat, and also decided to transform, as of the same date, the Commission on Human Settlements into the Governing Council (resolution [56/206](#)).

At its seventy-first session, the Assembly endorsed the New Urban Agenda, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III), held in Quito from 17 to 20 October 2016 (resolution [71/256](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report on the progress of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda every four years, with the first report to be submitted to the Assembly through the Economic and Social Council in 2018 (resolution [71/235](#)).

At its seventy-second session, the Assembly requested the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives to establish an open-ended Working Group in Nairobi to examine different options for strengthening Member States' oversight of UN-Habitat (resolution [72/226](#)). At its seventy-third session, the Assembly decided to replace the UN-Habitat Governing Council with the UN-Habitat Assembly (resolution [73/239](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in a joint general discussion with the item entitled

“Operational activities for development” were made by 36 delegations (see [A/C.2/77/SR.17](#) and [18](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a progress report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/173](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/173](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 19)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/310</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.17, 18, 21 and 22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/444</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/173</a>

## **20. Globalization and interdependence**

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fourth session an item entitled “Globalization and interdependence” (resolution [53/169](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-fourth session.

The question entitled “Towards a New International Economic Order”, first considered during the Assembly’s sixty-third session (resolution [63/224](#)), was considered annually until the sixty-fifth session (resolutions [64/209](#) and [65/167](#)) and has been considered biennially since then (resolutions [67/217](#), [69/227](#), [71/236](#), [73/240](#), [75/225](#) and [77/174](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in a joint general discussion with the item entitled “Information and communications technologies for sustainable development” were made by 35 delegations (see [A/C.2/77/SR.8](#) and [9](#)). The Assembly decided to continue considering the international economic situation and its impact on development at its seventy-ninth session, and in that regard requested the Secretary-General to include in his report to the Assembly an updated overview of the major international economic and policy challenges for equitable and inclusive sustained economic growth and sustainable development and of the role of the United Nations in addressing those issues, as well as possible ways and means to overcome those challenges, bearing in mind the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields and the principles contained therein, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in the light of the relevant principles contained in the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order (resolution [77/174](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/174](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 20)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/214</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.8, 9, 21 and 22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/445</a>



Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/174</a>

**(a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence**

The General Assembly considered the question under the item entitled “Globalization and interdependence” from its fifty-fourth to sixty-second sessions (resolutions [54/231](#), [55/212](#), [56/209](#), [57/274](#), [58/225](#), [59/240](#), [60/204](#), [61/207](#) and [62/199](#)). At its sixty-second session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session, under the same item, a sub-item entitled “Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence” (resolution [62/199](#)). The Assembly had the sub-item on its agenda annually from its sixty-third to sixty-sixth sessions (resolutions [63/222](#), [64/210](#), [65/168](#) and [66/210](#)) and biennially thereafter until its seventy-fourth session (resolutions [68/219](#), [70/211](#), [72/227](#) and [74/228](#) and decision [74/537 B](#)). Pursuant to decision [74/537 B](#), the sub-item was most recently considered at the seventy-seventh session (resolution [77/253](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in a joint general discussion with the item entitled “Information and communications technologies for sustainable development” were made by 35 delegations (see [A/C.2/77/SR.8](#) and 9). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session an action-oriented report on the implementation of the resolution, including concrete recommendations to accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (resolution [77/175](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/175](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 20 (a))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/253</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.8</a> , 9, 21 and 25
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/445/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/175</a>

**(b) International migration and development**

At its forty-ninth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the International Conference on Population and Development”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session an item entitled “International migration and development, including the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development” (resolution [49/127](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fiftieth and fifty-second sessions (resolutions [50/123](#) and [52/189](#)).

At its fifty-second session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session a sub-item entitled “International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues” (resolution [52/189](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fourth and fifty-sixth sessions (resolutions [54/212](#) and [56/203](#)).

At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-eighth session a sub-item entitled “International migration and development” (resolution [56/203](#)). The Assembly had the sub-item on its agenda annually from its fifty-eighth to sixty-first sessions, biennially from its sixty-third to sixty-seventh sessions, at its sixty-eighth session and biennially since its sixty-ninth session (resolutions [58/208](#), [59/241](#), [60/227](#), [61/208](#), [63/225](#), [65/170](#), [67/219](#), [68/4](#), [69/229](#), [71/237](#), [73/241](#), [75/226](#) and [77/176](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in a joint general discussion with the item entitled “Information and communications technologies for sustainable development” were made by 35 delegations (see [A/C.2/77/SR.8](#) and 9). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/176](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/176](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 22 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/236</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.8</a> , 9, 21 and 25
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/445/Add.2</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/176</a>

## **21. Groups of countries in special situations**

### **(a) Follow-up to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries**

At its thirty-fourth session, the General Assembly decided to convene a United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in 1981 (resolution [34/203](#)). At its thirty-sixth session, the Assembly endorsed the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries (resolution [36/194](#)).

The Assembly considered the implementation of a programme of action for the least developed countries at its thirty-seventh to fortieth, forty-second, forty-fifth, forty-eighth, fiftieth and fifty-second sessions (resolutions [37/224](#), [38/195](#), [39/174](#), [40/205](#), [42/177](#), [45/206](#) (endorsement of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s), [48/171](#), [50/103](#) and [52/187](#)).

The Assembly has considered the question annually since its fifty-fifth session (resolutions [55/279](#) (endorsement of the Brussels Declaration and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001–2010), [56/227](#) (establishment of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States), [57/276](#), [58/228](#), [59/244](#), [60/228](#), [61/1](#) (declaration of the high-level meeting of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly on the midterm comprehensive global review of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001–2010), [61/211](#), [62/203](#), [63/227](#), [64/213](#), [65/171](#), [65/280](#) (endorsement of the Istanbul Declaration and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011–2020), [65/286](#), [66/213](#), [67/220](#), [67/221](#), [68/224](#), [69/231](#), [70/216](#), [70/261](#), [70/294](#) (Political Declaration of the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011–2020),

[71/238](#), [72/231](#), [73/242](#), [74/232](#) A and B, [75/227](#), [76/216](#), [76/251](#), [76/258](#) (Doha Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries), [77/177](#) and [78/233](#) and decision [76/551](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a progress report on the implementation, effectiveness and added value of smooth transition measures covering both graduating and recently graduated countries and a report on the operations of the Technology Bank for the Least Developed Countries (resolution [76/216](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 30 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.7](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to undertake, with the least developed countries, a comprehensive study on resilience-building measures, involving all relevant United Nations development system entities and other relevant stakeholders, on the existing arrangements, lessons learned and gaps identified and to submit it to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session for further consideration. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the implementation of the resolution and of the Doha Programme of Action (resolution [78/233](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [76/216](#) and [78/233](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 20 (a))**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/984</a> and <a href="#">A/78/112</a>
Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/367</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.7</a> , 21 and 23
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/463/Add.1</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/659</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50 (Resumption 1)</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/233</a>

#### **(b) Follow-up to the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries**

The General Assembly considered the question of the needs of landlocked developing countries at its twenty-seventh to twenty-ninth, thirty-first to thirty-sixth and thirty-ninth sessions and biennially from its fortieth to fifty-sixth sessions (resolutions [2971 \(XXVII\)](#), [3169 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3311 \(XXIX\)](#), [31/157](#), [32/191](#), [33/150](#), [34/198](#), [35/58](#), [36/175](#), [39/209](#), [40/183](#), [42/174](#), [44/214](#), [46/212](#), [48/169](#), [50/97](#), [52/183](#), [54/199](#) and [56/180](#)).

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly decided that the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation should be convened in Almaty, Kazakhstan, in 2003 (resolution [57/242](#)).

The Assembly considered the question at its fifty-eighth to seventy-eighth sessions (resolutions [58/201](#) (endorsement of the Almaty Declaration and the Almaty Programme of Action: Addressing the Special Needs of Landlocked Developing Countries within a New Global Framework for Transit Transport Cooperation for Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries), [59/245](#), [60/208](#), [61/212](#), [62/204](#), [63/228](#), [64/214](#), [65/172](#), [66/214](#), [67/222](#), [68/225](#), [69/137](#) (Vienna Programme of

Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024), [69/232](#), [70/217](#), [71/239](#), [72/232](#), [73/243](#), [74/15](#) (Political Declaration of the High-level Midterm Review on the Implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action), [74/233](#), [75/228](#), [76/217](#), [77/246](#) and [78/163](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly decided to hold the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries in 2024. At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly welcomed and accepted the offer of the Government of Rwanda to host the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries, in Kigali, decided to convene two sessions of the intergovernmental preparatory committee in New York towards the end of 2023 and/or early in 2024 and invited the Bureau to convene further meetings on an informal basis in New York, as required and in the most efficient and effective manner, to discuss the draft outcome document of the Conference (resolutions [76/217](#) and [77/246](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 30 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.7](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Groups of countries in special situations”, the sub-item entitled “Follow-up to the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries” (resolution [78/163](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/163](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 20 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/283</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.7</a> , 21 and 23
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/463/Add.2</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/163</a>

## **22. Eradication of poverty and other development issues**

### **(a) Implementation of the Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018–2027)**

At its fiftieth session, the General Assembly proclaimed the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997–2006) (resolution [50/107](#)).

At its fifty-first session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-second session an item entitled “First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997–2006)” (resolution [51/178](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-second session (resolutions [52/193](#), [53/198](#), [54/232](#), [55/210](#), [56/207](#), [57/266](#), [58/222](#), [59/247](#), [60/209](#), [61/213](#), [62/205](#), [63/230](#), [64/216](#), [65/174](#), [66/215](#), [67/224](#), [68/226](#), [69/234](#), [70/218](#), [71/241](#), [72/233](#), [73/246](#), [74/234](#), [75/230](#), [76/218](#), [77/179](#) and [78/164](#)).

At its seventy-second session, the Assembly proclaimed the Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018–2027). The Assembly considered that the theme of the Third Decade would be “Accelerating global actions for a world without poverty” in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (resolution [72/233](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the World Tourism Organization and other relevant United Nations agencies and programmes, to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of resolution [77/178](#) (resolution [77/178](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Agriculture development, food security and nutrition”, were made by 70 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.16](#) and [17](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the implementation of the Third Decade, including the progress made, gaps, as well as challenges faced in the eradication of poverty, in particular in developing countries and comprehensive action-oriented recommendations to accelerate progress towards eradication of poverty (resolution [78/164](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [77/178](#) and [78/164](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 21 (a))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/239</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.16</a> , <a href="#">17</a> , <a href="#">21</a> and <a href="#">25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/464/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/164</a>

#### **(b) Industrial development cooperation**

At its forty-fifth session, the General Assembly recognized that there were significant opportunities for economic and technical cooperation among developing countries with regard to their industrialization and recommended that developed countries and international organizations support such cooperative ventures (resolution [45/196](#)).

The Assembly considered the question at its forty-sixth, forty-ninth and fifty-first to fifty-third sessions and biennially thereafter (resolutions [46/151](#), [49/108](#), [51/170](#), [52/208](#), [53/177](#), [55/187](#), [57/243](#), [59/249](#), [61/215](#), [63/231](#), [65/175](#), [67/225](#), [69/235](#), [71/242](#), [73/247](#), [75/231](#) and [77/180](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Agriculture development, food security and nutrition”, were made by 61 delegations (see [A/C.2/77/SR.14](#) and [15](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/180](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (resolution [77/180](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 22 (b))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization ([A/77/138](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.14</a> , <a href="#">15</a> , <a href="#">21</a> and <a href="#">23</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/447/Add.2</a>

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/180</a>

**(c) Women in development**

The General Assembly had the item on its agenda biennially from its fortieth to seventy-fourth sessions and at its forty-ninth, fifty-ninth and sixty-ninth sessions (resolutions [40/204](#), [42/178](#), [44/171](#), [46/167](#), [48/108](#), [49/161](#), [50/104](#), [52/195](#), [54/210](#), [56/188](#), [58/206](#), [59/248](#), [60/210](#), [62/206](#), [64/217](#), [66/216](#), [68/227](#), [69/236](#), [70/219](#), [72/234](#) and [74/235](#)). Pursuant to decision 74/537 B, the sub-item was most recently considered at the seventy-seventh session (resolution [77/181](#)).

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution and also requested the Secretary-General to update the *World Survey on the Role of Women in Development* for the consideration of the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [74/235](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Agriculture development, food security and nutrition”, were made by 61 delegations (see [A/C.2/77/SR.14](#) and [15](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/181](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General and update of the *World Survey on the Role of Women in Development* (resolution [74/235](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 22 (c))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/243</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.14</a> , <a href="#">15</a> , <a href="#">21</a> and <a href="#">25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/447/Add.3</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/181</a>

**(d) Human resources development**

At its forty-fifth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the agenda of its forty-sixth session an item entitled “Human resources development” (resolution [45/191](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its forty-sixth session (resolutions [46/143](#), [48/205](#), [50/105](#), [52/196](#), [54/211](#), [56/189](#), [58/207](#), [60/211](#), [62/207](#), [64/218](#), [66/217](#), [68/228](#), [70/220](#), [72/235](#) and [74/236](#)). Pursuant to decision 74/537 B, the sub-item was most recently considered at the seventy-seventh session (resolution [77/182](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Agriculture development, food security and nutrition”, were made by 61 delegations (see [A/C.2/77/SR.14](#) and [15](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, an action-oriented report on the implementation of the resolution in line with the 2030 Agenda (resolution [77/182](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/182](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 22 (d))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/234</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/77/SR.14, 15, 21 and 22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/77/447/Add.4</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.53</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/182</a>

**(e) Eradicating rural poverty to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

At its seventy-third session, the General Assembly recognized the importance of promoting socioeconomic development in rural areas as an effective strategy at the global level for the eradication of poverty, including extreme poverty, and underlined the importance of shaping a rural poverty eradication pattern with the concerted efforts of the whole of society to promote socioeconomic development in rural areas. The sub-item has been considered by the Assembly annually since its seventy-third session (resolutions [73/244](#), [74/237](#), [75/232](#), [76/219](#), [77/183](#) and [78/165](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Agriculture development, food security and nutrition”, were made by 70 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.16 and 17](#)). The Assembly reiterated the urgent need to accelerate the pace of rural poverty eradication and requested the Secretary-General, in close collaboration with the secretariat of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, as well as other relevant international organizations, to submit to the Assembly, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the status of the implementation of and follow-up to the resolution, and to list rural poverty eradication as a priority for an annual Sustainable Development Goals Moment to highlight inspiring action on the Goals, in the context of the general debate of the Assembly (resolution [78/165](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/165](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 21 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/238</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.16, 17, 21 and 22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/464/Add.2</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/165</a>

**23. Operational activities for development****(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system**

At its thirty-fifth session, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit an annual report on operational activities for development, containing comprehensive statistical information concerning all operational activities for development of the United Nations system (resolution [35/81](#)).

The Assembly considered this question at its thirty-seventh, forty-fourth and forty-eighth sessions, triennially from its fiftieth to sixty-second sessions and annually as

from its sixty-third session (resolutions [37/226](#), [44/211](#), [48/209](#), [50/120](#), [53/192](#), [56/201](#), [59/250](#), [62/208](#), [63/232](#) (changed the comprehensive policy review of operational activities from a triennial cycle to a quadrennial cycle), [64/220](#), [65/177](#), [66/218](#), [67/226](#), [68/229](#), [69/238](#), [70/221](#), [71/243](#), [72/236](#), [72/279](#), [73/248](#), [74/238](#), [75/233](#), [76/4](#), [76/220](#), [77/184](#) and [78/166](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 28 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.18](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly noted the forthcoming quadrennial comprehensive policy review in 2024, and called upon the Secretary-General to provide, within existing resources, beginning in June 2024, status reporting, including through briefing notes, informal briefings and case studies with emphasis on development results, on the implementation of all provisions and mandates contained in Assembly resolution [75/233](#), in advance of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review negotiations and requested the Secretary-General to present a comprehensive, evidence-based and analytical report to the Economic and Social Council covering all provisions and progress made, lessons learned and challenges in the implementation of the mandates contained in Assembly resolution [75/233](#) as part of his annual reporting to the Council at the operational activities for development segment during its 2024 session, and to inform the next cycle of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review, to be launched in 2024 (resolution [78/166](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/166](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 22 (a))**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/72</a> and <a href="#">A/78/72/Add.1</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.18</a> , <a href="#">21</a> and <a href="#">22</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/465/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/166</a>

#### **(b) South-South cooperation for development**

At its thirty-third session, the General Assembly endorsed the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries and entrusted the overall intergovernmental review of technical cooperation among developing countries within the United Nations system to a high-level meeting of representatives of all States participating in the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), to be convened by the Administrator of UNDP in accordance with the provisions of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action (resolution [33/134](#)).

The Assembly considered the question of economic and technical cooperation among developing countries at its forty-fourth, forty-sixth and forty-eighth sessions (resolutions [44/222](#), [46/159](#) and [48/172](#)). At its forty-ninth session, the Assembly decided to convene a United Nations conference on South-South cooperation (resolution [49/96](#)). The Assembly considered the question biennially from its fiftieth to fifty-sixth sessions, at its fifty-seventh session, biennially from its fifty-eighth to sixty-sixth sessions and annually as from its sixty-seventh session (resolutions [50/119](#), [52/205](#) (decision on a commemorative meeting to be held at the beginning of the fifty-third session), [54/226](#), [56/202](#), [57/263](#), [58/220](#) (declaration of 19 December as the United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation), [60/212](#), [62/209](#) (decision to convene a High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation),



[64/221](#), [64/222](#) (endorsement of the outcome document of the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation), [66/219](#), [67/227](#), [68/230](#), [69/239](#), [70/222](#), [71/244](#), [72/237](#), [73/249](#), [73/291](#) (endorsement of the Buenos Aires outcome document of the second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation), [74/239](#), [75/234](#), [76/221](#), [77/185](#) and [78/167](#) and decision 74/553).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the sub-item to the Second Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 28 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.18](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a comprehensive report on the state of South-South cooperation, including the implementation of the outcome document of the second High-level Conference (resolution [78/167](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/167](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 22 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/290</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.18</a> , <a href="#">21</a> and <a href="#">25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/465/Add.2</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/167</a>

## **24. Agriculture development, food security and nutrition**

At its sixty-third session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fourth session an item entitled “Agriculture development and food security”, to be taken up by the Second Committee (resolution [63/235](#)).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda annually from its sixty-fourth to sixty-seventh sessions (resolutions [64/224](#), [65/178](#), [66/220](#) and [67/228](#)). At its sixty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session an item entitled “Agriculture development, food security and nutrition” (resolution [67/228](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-eighth session (resolutions [68/231](#), [68/233](#), [69/240](#), [70/223](#), [71/245](#), [72/238](#), [72/239](#), [73/253](#), [74/242](#), [75/235](#), [76/222](#), [76/264](#), [77/186](#) and [78/168](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion were made by 70 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.16–18](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session an action-oriented report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/168](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/168](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 23 (a))**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/218</a> and <a href="#">A/78/233</a>
Note by the Secretary-General transmitting a report on the main decisions and policy recommendations of the Committee on World Food Security ( <a href="#">A/78/74</a> )	
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.2/78/SR.16–18, 21</a> and <a href="#">25</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/78/466/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/168</a>

**25. Towards global partnerships**

This item was included as a supplementary item in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of Germany ([A/55/228](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fifth session and had the item on its agenda biennially as of the fifty-sixth session (resolutions [55/215](#), [56/76](#), [58/129](#), [60/215](#), [62/211](#), [64/223](#), [66/223](#), [68/234](#) and [70/224](#) and decision 72/543). The Assembly, at its seventy-second session, decided to include the item, on an exceptional basis, in the agenda of its seventy-third session (decision 72/543). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda triennially since its seventy-third session (resolutions [73/254](#) and [76/224](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Groups of countries in special situations”, were made by 24 delegations in virtual informal meetings on 7 and 13 October 2021 (see [A/76/539](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [76/224](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [76/224](#)).

**References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 27)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/76/319</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.2/76/SR.8</a>
Report of the Second Committee	<a href="#">A/76/539</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/76/PV.54</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">76/224</a>

**26. Social development**

At its forty-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to convene a World Summit for Social Development at the level of Heads of State or Government (resolution [47/92](#)). The Summit was held in Copenhagen from 6 to 12 March 1995.

At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit future *Reports on the World Social Situation* on a biennial basis (resolution [56/177](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [76/131](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the general discussion with sub-items (a) and (b) were made by 96 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.1–4](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [76/131](#)).

**(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly**

The General Assembly has had the item on its agenda since its fiftieth session (resolutions [50/161](#), [51/202](#), [52/25](#), [53/28](#), [54/23](#), [55/46](#), [56/177](#), [57/163](#), [58/130](#), [59/146](#), [60/130](#), [61/141](#), [62/131](#), [63/152](#), [64/135](#), [65/185](#), [66/125](#), [67/141](#), [68/135](#), [69/143](#), [71/162](#), [72/141](#), [73/141](#), [74/122](#), [75/151](#), [76/134](#), [77/188](#) and [78/174](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include the sub-item in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Social development”, with a particular focus on how to ensure access to and use of new information and digital technologies, and bridge the digital divides, within and between countries, especially for people living in poverty, to contribute to fulfilling social development goals, and requested the Secretary-General to submit a report on the question to the Assembly at that session (resolution [78/174](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/174](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 24 (a))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/211</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.1–4</a> and <a href="#">55</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/472</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/174</a>

**(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, persons with disabilities and the family**

**Implementation of the objectives of the International Year of the Family and its follow-up processes**

At its forty-fourth session, the General Assembly proclaimed 1994 as the International Year of the Family (resolution [44/82](#)). It considered the question at its fifty-second, fifty-fourth, fifty-sixth to sixtieth, sixty-second, sixty-fourth, sixty-sixth to sixty-ninth sessions and has considered it annually since its seventy-first session (resolutions [52/81](#), [54/124](#), [56/113](#), [57/164](#), [58/15](#), [59/111](#), [59/147](#), [60/133](#), [62/129](#), [64/133](#), [66/126](#), [67/142](#), [68/136](#), [69/144](#), [71/163](#), [72/145](#), [73/144](#), [74/124](#), [75/153](#), [76/139](#), [77/191](#) and [78/176](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its seventy-ninth session, through the Commission for Social Development and the Economic and Social Council, on the implementation of the resolution, including a description of the state of preparation for the observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family at all levels (resolution [77/191](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to consider the topic “Preparations for and observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the International Year

of the Family in 2024” at its seventy-ninth session under the sub-item entitled “Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, persons with disabilities and the family” of the item entitled “Social development” (resolution [78/176](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/191](#)).

### **Follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing**

At its resumed fifty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to convene the Second World Assembly on Ageing in 2002, on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the First World Assembly on Ageing, held in Vienna (resolution [54/262](#)).

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly welcomed the report of the Second World Assembly on Ageing, held in Madrid from 8 to 12 April 2002, and endorsed the Political Declaration and the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (resolution [57/167](#)).

The Assembly has considered the question since its fifty-eighth session (resolutions [58/134](#), [59/150](#), [60/135](#), [61/142](#), [62/130](#), [63/151](#), [64/132](#), [65/182](#), [66/127](#), [67/143](#), [68/134](#), [69/146](#), [70/164](#), [71/164](#), [72/144](#), [73/143](#), [74/125](#), [76/138](#), [77/190](#) and [78/177](#)).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly decided to establish an open-ended working group, open to all States Members of the United Nations, for the purpose of strengthening the protection of the human rights of older persons (resolution [65/182](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons to address and engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session under the agenda item entitled “Social development” and requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/177](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/177](#)).

### **Inclusive development for persons with disabilities**

At its thirty-seventh session, the Assembly adopted the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons (resolution [37/52](#)). Periodic reviews of progress in its implementation were conducted in 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013 and 2015.

The Assembly considered the question annually at its thirty-eighth to forty-ninth sessions, biennially at its fiftieth to sixtieth sessions and annually from its sixty-second to seventieth sessions and has considered it biennially as from its seventy-first session (resolutions [38/28](#), [39/26](#), [40/31](#), [41/106](#), [42/58](#), [43/98](#), [44/70](#), [45/91](#), [46/96](#), [47/88](#), [48/99](#), [49/153](#), [50/144](#), [52/82](#), [54/121](#), [56/115](#), [58/132](#), [60/131](#), [62/127](#), [63/150](#), [64/131](#), [65/186](#), [66/124](#), [67/140](#), [68/3](#), [69/142](#), [70/170](#), [71/165](#), [73/142](#), [75/154](#) and [77/189](#)).

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly decided to change the title of sub-item (b) of the item entitled “Social development” on its agenda to read: “Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, persons with disabilities and the family”(resolution [73/142](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in coordination with all relevant United Nations entities, to submit information to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution and of the outcome document of the high-level meeting of the Assembly on the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed

development goals for persons with disabilities: the way forward, a disability-inclusive development agenda towards 2015 and beyond, and to make appropriate recommendations to further strengthen implementation, and to include in the report relevant information on the impact of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on persons with disabilities, the measures to mitigate the impact, as well as their participation in efforts to respond to and recover from the pandemic (resolution [77/189](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/189](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 24 (b))**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/61</a> , <a href="#">A/78/134</a> , <a href="#">A/78/187</a> , <a href="#">A/78/188</a> , <a href="#">A/78/189</a> and <a href="#">A/78/331</a>
Note by the Secretariat	<a href="#">A/78/157</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.1–4</a> , <a href="#">47</a> , <a href="#">49</a> , <a href="#">51</a> and <a href="#">55</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/472</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/175</a> to <a href="#">78/179</a>

#### **(c) Literacy for life: shaping future agendas**

The issue of education for all was first considered by the General Assembly at its fifty-second and fifty-fourth sessions (resolutions [52/84](#) and [54/122](#)). The Assembly continued its consideration of the question biennially at its fifty-seventh to sixty-fifth sessions, at its sixty-eighth session, and has continued its consideration biennially since its sixty-ninth session (resolutions [57/166](#), [59/149](#), [61/140](#), [63/154](#), [65/183](#), [68/132](#), [69/141](#), [71/166](#), [73/145](#), [75/155](#) and [77/192](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/192](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (resolution [77/192](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 25 (c))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/187</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/77/SR.1–4</a> and <a href="#">45</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/77/455</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.54</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/192</a>

## **27. Advancement of women**

At its thirty-fourth session, the General Assembly adopted the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (resolution [34/180](#)). The Convention entered into force on 3 September 1981.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 114 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.7–10](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its eighty-fifth, eighty-sixth and eighty-seventh sessions: Supplement No. 38 ([A/79/38](#)).

### **Trafficking in women and girls**

The Assembly first considered this question at its forty-ninth session (resolution [49/166](#)), then annually at its fiftieth to fifty-third sessions and biennially thereafter (resolutions [50/167](#), [51/66](#), [52/98](#), [53/116](#), [55/67](#), [57/176](#), [59/166](#), [61/144](#), [63/156](#), [65/190](#), [67/145](#), [69/149](#), [71/167](#), [73/146](#), [75/158](#) and [77/194](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report that compiled information on successful interventions and strategies, as well as the gaps, in addressing the gender dimensions of the problem of trafficking in persons and provided recommendations on the strengthening of human rights-based, victim-centred and gender- and age-sensitive approaches within comprehensive, multidimensional, multicultural and balanced efforts to address trafficking in persons, including in the prosecution of traffickers and protection of victims, and including in the context of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic (resolution [77/194](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/194](#)).

### **Intensification of efforts to end obstetric fistula**

The Assembly first considered this question at its sixtieth session, under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of the rights of children”. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report on the girl child to it at its sixty-second session, including an emphasis on fistula, using information provided by Member States, the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations (resolution [60/141](#)).

The Assembly subsequently considered the question at its sixty-second and sixty-third sessions and biennially thereafter (resolutions [62/138](#), [63/158](#), [65/188](#), [67/147](#), [69/148](#), [71/169](#), [73/147](#), [75/159](#) and [77/196](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Advancement of women”, a comprehensive report with specific updated statistics and disaggregated data on obstetric fistula and the challenges faced by Member States in implementing the resolution (resolution [77/196](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/196](#)).

### **Intensifying global efforts for the elimination of female genital mutilation**

The Assembly considered this question at its fifty-third, fifty-sixth and sixty-seventh to sixty-ninth sessions, and biennially thereafter (resolutions [53/117](#), [56/128](#), [67/146](#), [68/146](#), [69/150](#), [71/168](#), [73/149](#), [75/160](#) and [77/195](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly renewed its request to the Secretary-General to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, an in-depth, multidisciplinary, evidence-based report, with accurate and updated data, an analysis of root causes, progress made to date, challenges and needs and action-oriented recommendations

for eliminating this practice, on the basis of updated information provided by Member States, relevant actors of the United Nations system working on the issue and other relevant stakeholders (resolution [77/195](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/195](#)).

### **Intensification of efforts to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls: gender stereotypes and negative social norms**

The Assembly considered the question of preventing and eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls at its sixty-first to sixty-fifth sessions and biennially thereafter (resolutions [61/143](#), [62/133](#), [63/155](#), [64/137](#), [65/187](#), [67/144](#), [69/147](#), [71/170](#), [73/148](#), [75/161](#) and [77/193](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences to submit an annual report to it at its seventy-ninth session and requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report containing information provided by the United Nations bodies, funds and programmes and the specialized agencies on their follow-up activities to implement the resolution, as well as resolution [75/161](#), including on their assistance to States in their efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls, and information provided by States on their follow-up activities to implement the resolution (resolution [77/193](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/193](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences (resolution [77/193](#)).

### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 25)**

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its eighty-second, eighty-third and eighty-fourth sessions: Supplement No. 38 ([A/78/38](#))

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/206](#), [A/78/216](#), [A/78/220](#) and [A/78/292](#)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences ([A/78/256](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/78/SR.7–10](#), [49](#) and [51](#)

Report of the Third Committee [A/78/473](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.50](#)

Resolutions [78/180](#) to [78/182](#)

## **B. Maintenance of international peace and security**

### **30. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict**

The item entitled “The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict” was included in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ([A/55/231](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-fifth session (resolutions [55/56](#), [56/263](#), [57/302](#), [58/290](#), [59/144](#), [60/182](#), [61/28](#), [62/11](#), [63/134](#), [64/109](#), [65/137](#), [66/252](#), [67/135](#), [68/128](#), [69/136](#), [70/252](#), [71/277](#), [72/267](#), [73/283](#), [74/268](#), [75/261](#), [77/277](#) and [78/270](#) and decision 76/569).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by six delegations (see [A/78/PV.65](#)). The Assembly requested the Chair of the Kimberley Process to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the Process (resolution [78/270](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Chair of the Kimberley Process (resolution [78/270](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 30)**

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/78/L.54</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.65</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/270</a>

### **31. Prevention of armed conflict**

#### **(a) Prevention of armed conflict**

At its fifty-seventh session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-ninth session a specific item entitled “Prevention of armed conflict” (resolution [57/337](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-ninth session (resolutions [60/284](#), [61/293](#), [65/283](#), [66/253](#) A and B, [67/259](#), [67/262](#), [69/285](#), [69/293](#), [69/316](#), [71/130](#), [71/248](#), [73/194](#), [74/17](#), [75/28](#), [75/29](#) and [76/70](#) and decisions 59/568, 62/554, 63/563, 64/563, 66/565, 70/561, 71/557 and 72/566).

At its seventy-first session, the Assembly decided to establish the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Persons Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011 under the auspices of the United Nations to closely cooperate with the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic to collect, consolidate, preserve and analyse evidence of violations of international humanitarian law and human rights violations and abuses and to prepare files in order to facilitate and expedite fair and independent criminal proceedings, in accordance with international law standards, in national, regional or international courts or tribunals that have or may in the future have jurisdiction over those crimes, in accordance with international law; requested the Secretary-General, in that regard, to develop, within 20 working days of the adoption of the resolution, the terms of reference of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism; and requested the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of the resolution within 45 days of its adoption and decided to revisit the question of funding of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism as soon as possible (resolution [71/248](#)). The Secretary-General developed the terms of reference as contained in his report ([A/71/755](#)), including that the Head of the Mechanism shall submit a report to the Assembly twice a year on the implementation of its mandate and set out its funding requirements, as appropriate, while preserving the confidential nature of its substantive work.

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives”, invited the Head of the Mechanism to prepare the reports of the



Mechanism for presentation on an annual basis in the month of April at a plenary meeting of the Assembly, starting at its seventy-third session, under the agenda item entitled “Prevention of armed conflict”, within existing resources (resolution [73/182](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives”, requested the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to submit an annual report to the Assembly, starting at its seventy-fifth session, on the implementation of its mandate while preserving the confidential nature of its substantive work, in time for the annual presentation of the report by the Head of the Mechanism in April at a plenary meeting of the Assembly under the agenda item entitled “Prevention of armed conflict” (resolution [75/193](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the Head of the Mechanism and 36 delegations (see [A/78/PV.72](#) and [73](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General (resolutions [71/248](#) and [75/193](#) and document [A/71/755](#), annex).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 31 (a))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the tenth report of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Persons Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011 ([A/78/772](#))

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.72](#) and [73](#)

### **32. Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development**

The item entitled “Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development” was included in the agenda of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly at the request of Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine ([A/61/195](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-first session (resolutions [62/249](#), [63/307](#), [64/296](#), [65/287](#), [66/283](#), [67/268](#), [68/274](#), [69/286](#), [70/265](#), [71/290](#), [72/280](#), [72/282](#), [73/298](#), [74/300](#), [75/285](#), [76/267](#), [77/293](#) and [78/283](#) and decision 61/565).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President and seven delegations (see [A/78/PV.85](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a comprehensive report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/283](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/283](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 32)**

Report of the Secretary-General [A/78/864](#)  
 Draft resolution [A/78/L.74](#)  
 Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.85](#)  
 Resolution [78/283](#)

### 33. The situation in the Middle East

At its fifth emergency special session, in 1967, the General Assembly decided to place on the agenda of its twenty-second session, as a matter of high priority, the question on the agenda of its fifth emergency special session (resolution [2257 \(ES-V\)](#)). At its twenty-second session, the Assembly decided to maintain the item entitled “The situation in the Middle East” on the agenda of that session and has had the item on its agenda annually since then (resolutions [2628 \(XXV\)](#), [2799 \(XXVI\)](#), [2949 \(XXVII\)](#), [3414 \(XXX\)](#), [31/61](#), [31/62](#), [32/20](#), [33/29](#), [34/70](#), [35/207](#), [36/226 A and B](#), [37/123 A to F](#), [38/180 A to E](#), [39/146 A to C](#), [40/168 A to C](#), [41/162 A to C](#), [42/209 A to D](#), [43/54 A to C](#), [44/40 A to C](#), [45/83 A to C](#), [46/82 A and B](#), [47/63 A and B](#), [48/58](#), [48/59 A and B](#), [49/87 A and B](#), [49/88](#), [50/21](#), [50/22 A to C](#), [51/27 to 51/29](#), [52/53](#), [52/54](#), [53/37](#), [53/38](#), [54/37](#), [54/38](#), [55/50](#), [55/51](#), [56/31](#), [56/32](#), [57/111](#), [57/112](#), [58/22](#), [58/23](#), [59/32](#), [59/33](#), [60/40](#), [60/41](#), [61/26](#), [61/27](#), [62/84](#), [62/85](#), [63/30](#), [63/31](#), [64/20](#), [64/21](#), [65/17](#), [65/18](#), [66/18](#), [66/19](#), [67/24](#), [67/25](#), [68/16](#), [68/17](#), [69/24](#), [69/25](#), [70/16](#), [70/17](#), [71/24](#), [71/25](#), [72/15](#), [72/16](#), [73/22](#), [73/23](#), [73/89](#), [74/14](#), [75/24](#), [76/11](#), [76/12](#), [77/26](#) and [78/11](#) and decisions adopted at its twenty-second to twenty-fifth, twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth sessions and decisions [75/565 A and B](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by three delegations (see [A/78/PV.40](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/11](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/11](#)).*

#### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 34)

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/315</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/78/L.10</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/11</a>

### 34. Question of Palestine

The item entitled “Question of Palestine”, which had been on the agenda of the second and third sessions of the General Assembly, was included in the agenda of the twenty-ninth session at the request of 55 Member States ([A/9742](#), [A/9742/Corr.1](#), [A/9742/Add.1](#), [A/9742/Add.2](#), [A/9742/Add.3](#) and [A/9742/Add.4](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its twenty-ninth session (resolutions [3210 \(XXIX\)](#), [3236 \(XXIX\)](#), [3237 \(XXIX\)](#), [3375 \(XXX\)](#), [3376 \(XXX\)](#), [31/20](#), [32/40 A and B](#), [33/28 A to C](#), [34/65 A to D](#), [35/169 A to E](#), [36/120 A to F](#), [37/86 A to E](#), [38/58 A to E](#), [39/49 A to D](#), [40/96 A to D](#), [41/43 A to D](#), [42/66 A to D](#), [43/175 A to C](#), [43/176](#), [43/177](#), [44/2](#), [44/41 A to C](#), [44/42](#), [45/67 A to C](#), [45/68](#), [45/69](#), [46/74 A to C](#), [46/75](#), [46/76](#), [47/64 A to E](#), [48/158 A to D](#), [49/62 A to D](#), [50/84 A to D](#), [51/23 to 51/26](#), [52/49 to 52/52](#), [52/250](#), [53/39 to 53/42](#), [54/39 to 54/42](#), [55/52 to 55/55](#), [56/33 to 56/36](#), [57/107 to 57/110](#), [58/18 to 58/21](#), [59/28 to 59/31](#), [60/36 to 60/39](#), [61/22 to 61/25](#), [62/80 to 62/83](#), [63/26 to 63/29](#), [64/16 to 64/19](#), [65/13 to 65/16](#), [66/14 to 66/17](#), [67/19 to 67/23](#), [68/12 to 68/15](#), [69/20 to 69/23](#), [70/12 to 70/15](#), [71/20 to 71/23](#), [72/11 to 72/14](#), [73/18 to 73/21](#), [74/10 to 74/13](#), [75/20 to 75/23](#), [76/10](#) and [77/22 to 77/25](#), a decision adopted at the thirtieth session and decisions [31/318](#), [43/459](#), [45/455](#), [47/467](#), [48/484](#), [52/317](#), [64/429](#), [66/420](#), [66/559](#), [67/422](#), [67/560](#), [74/415](#) and [75/565 A and B](#)).

At its twenty-ninth session, the Assembly invited the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to participate, in the capacity of observer, in its sessions and its work and in all international conferences convened under its auspices, and considered that PLO was similarly entitled with regard to all international conferences convened by other organs of the United Nations (resolution [3237 \(XXIX\)](#)).

At its thirtieth session, the Assembly called for the invitation of PLO to participate on an equal footing with other parties in all efforts, deliberations and conferences on the Middle East that were held under the auspices of the United Nations and to take part in the Geneva Peace Conference on the Middle East as well as in all other efforts for peace (resolution [3375 \(XXX\)](#)). The Assembly decided to establish the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People; requested the Committee to consider and recommend to the Assembly a programme of implementation designed to enable the Palestinian people to exercise their previously recognized inalienable rights; and requested the Security Council to consider the question of the exercise by the Palestinian people of their inalienable rights (resolution [3376 \(XXX\)](#)).

At its thirty-second session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to establish within the Secretariat a Special Unit on Palestinian Rights, which would prepare, under the Committee's guidance, studies and publications relating to the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people and would organize, in consultation with the Committee, commencing in 1978, the annual observance of 29 November as the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (resolution [32/40 B](#)). At its thirty-fourth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to redesignate the Special Unit as the Division for Palestinian Rights, with an expanded mandate of work (resolution [34/65 D](#)).

At its forty-third session, the Assembly acknowledged the proclamation of the State of Palestine by the Palestine National Council on 15 November 1988 and decided that, as of 15 December 1988, the designation "Palestine" should be used in place of the designation "Palestine Liberation Organization" in the United Nations system, without prejudice to the observer status and functions of PLO within the United Nations system, in conformity with relevant United Nations resolutions and practice (resolution [43/177](#)).

At its sixty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to accord to Palestine non-member observer State status in the United Nations, without prejudice to the acquired rights, privileges and role of PLO in the United Nations as the representative of the Palestinian people, in accordance with the relevant resolutions and practice (resolution [67/19](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Committee to continue to exert all efforts to promote the realization of the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, including their right to self-determination, to support the achievement without delay of an end to the Israeli occupation that began in 1967 and of the two-State solution on the basis of the pre-1967 borders and the just resolution of all final status issues and to mobilize international support for and assistance to the Palestinian people, and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session and thereafter; requested the Committee to continue to keep under review the situation relating to the question of Palestine and make suggestions to the Assembly, the Security Council or the Secretary-General, as appropriate; and requested the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to continue to report to the Assembly on economic development in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the economic costs of the Israeli occupation for the Palestinian people (resolution [77/22](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President of the Assembly, the Vice-Chair of the

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and 42 delegations (see [A/78/PV.39](#) and [40](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People: Supplement No. 35 ([A/79/35](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General (resolution [77/22](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 35)**

Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People: Supplement No. 35 ([A/78/35](#))

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report prepared by the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on the economic costs of the Israeli occupation for the Palestinian people ([A/78/303](#))

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.39](#) and [40](#)

**37. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba**

The item entitled “Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba” was included in the agenda of the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Cuba ([A/46/193](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its forty-sixth session (resolutions [47/19](#), [48/16](#), [49/9](#), [50/10](#), [51/17](#), [52/10](#), [53/4](#), [54/21](#), [55/20](#), [56/9](#), [57/11](#), [58/7](#), [59/11](#), [60/12](#), [61/11](#), [62/3](#), [63/7](#), [64/6](#), [65/6](#), [66/6](#), [67/4](#), [68/8](#), [69/5](#), [70/5](#), [71/5](#), [72/4](#), [73/8](#), [74/7](#), [75/289](#), [77/7](#) and [78/7](#) and decisions [46/407](#) and [76/563](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by 47 delegations (see [A/78/PV.24](#) and [26](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in consultation with the appropriate organs and agencies of the United Nations system, to prepare a report on the implementation of the resolution in the light of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and international law and to submit it to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/7](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/7](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 38)**

Report of the Secretary-General [A/78/84](#)  
 Draft resolution [A/78/L.5](#)  
 Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.24](#) and [26](#)  
 Resolution [78/7](#)

**45. University for Peace**

The University for Peace was proposed by the President of Costa Rica and approved by the General Assembly in its resolution [34/111](#). The Assembly approved the establishment of the University at its thirty-fifth session (resolution [35/55](#)).

The Assembly considered the item at its forty-fifth and forty-sixth sessions and biennially thereafter until its fifty-eighth session (resolutions [45/8](#), [46/11](#), [48/9](#), [50/41](#), [52/9](#), [54/29](#), [56/2](#) and [58/12](#)).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly decided that the item would be allocated for consideration every three years in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (resolution [58/316](#), annex, para. 4 (k)). Accordingly, the Assembly has considered the item triennially since its sixty-first session (resolutions [61/108](#), [64/83](#), [67/111](#), [70/79](#), [73/90](#) and [76/73](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on the work of the University (resolution [76/73](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [76/73](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 50)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/76/259</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.4/76/SR.7–15</a>
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	<a href="#">A/76/412</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/76/PV.49</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">76/73</a>

## **46. Effects of atomic radiation**

At its tenth session, in 1955, the General Assembly established the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (resolution [913 \(X\)](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its twelfth session (resolutions [1147 \(XII\)](#), [1347 \(XIII\)](#), [1376 \(XIV\)](#), [1574 \(XV\)](#), [1629 \(XVI\)](#), [1764 \(XVII\)](#), [1896 \(XVIII\)](#), [2078 \(XX\)](#), [2213 \(XXI\)](#), [1896 \(XXII\)](#), [2382 \(XXIII\)](#), [2496 \(XXIV\)](#), [2623 \(XXV\)](#), [2773 \(XXVI\)](#), [2905 \(XXVII\)](#), [3063 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3226 \(XXIX\)](#), [3410 \(XXX\)](#), [31/10](#), [32/6](#), [33/5](#), [34/12](#), [35/12](#), [36/14](#), [37/87](#), [38/78](#), [39/94](#), [40/160](#), [41/62 A and B](#), [42/67](#), [43/55](#), [44/45](#), [45/71](#), [46/44](#), [47/66](#), [48/38](#), [49/32](#), [50/26](#), [51/121](#), [52/55](#), [53/44](#), [54/66](#), [55/121](#), [56/50](#), [57/115](#), [58/88](#), [59/114](#), [60/98](#), [61/109](#), [62/100](#), [63/89](#), [64/85](#), [65/96](#), [66/70](#), [67/112](#), [68/73](#), [69/84](#), [70/81](#), [71/89](#), [72/76](#), [73/261](#), [74/81](#), [75/91](#), [76/75](#), [77/119](#) and [78/71](#)).

At its twenty-eighth session, the Assembly decided to increase the membership of the Scientific Committee from 15 to a maximum of 20 (resolution [3154 C \(XXVIII\)](#)) and, at its forty-first session, to a maximum of 21 (resolution [41/62 B](#)). At its sixty-sixth session, the Assembly decided to further increase its membership from 21 to 27 Member States (resolution [66/70](#)).

At its seventy-second session, the Assembly decided to review the possible increase in the membership of the Scientific Committee with a view to establishing a procedure at its seventy-third session for possible further increases in membership of the Committee, pursuant to paragraph 19 of Assembly resolution [66/70](#) (resolution [72/76](#)). At its seventy-third session, the Assembly established a procedure for possible further increases in the membership of the Committee, pursuant to paragraph 19 of Assembly resolution [66/70](#) (resolution [73/261](#)).

At present, the Committee is composed of the following 31 Member States: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Mexico, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Scientific Committee to continue its work, including its important activities to increase knowledge of the levels, effects and risks of ionizing radiation from all sources, and to report to it thereon at its seventy-ninth session. The Assembly also requested the Committee to submit plans for its ongoing and future programme of work to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to strengthen support for the secretariat of the Scientific Committee in order to adequately and efficiently provide service to the Committee in a predictable and sustainable manner, and to effectively facilitate the use of the invaluable expertise offered to the Committee by its members, and to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on those issues (resolution [78/71](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation: Supplement No. 46 ([A/79/46](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 47)**

Report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation: Supplement No. 46 ([A/78/46](#))

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.4/78/SR.11</a>
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	<a href="#">A/78/418</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/71</a>

## **47. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**

### **(a) International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**

The General Assembly included this item on its agenda at its thirteenth session and established the Ad Hoc Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, composed of 18 members (resolution [1348 \(XIII\)](#)).

At its fourteenth session, the Assembly set up the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (resolution [1472 A \(XIV\)](#)), whose original membership of 24 was expanded on several occasions, reaching 102 at its seventy-seventh session (resolution [77/121](#)). At present, the Committee is composed of the following 102 Member States: Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab

Republic, Thailand, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Viet Nam.

The Committee established a Legal Subcommittee and a Scientific and Technical Subcommittee.

The Assembly, in 1963, adopted the Declaration of Legal Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space (resolution [1962 \(XVIII\)](#)). Since then, multilateral treaties and principles have been developed (see *United Nations Treaties and Principles on Outer Space*, United Nations publication, Sales No. E.08.I.10).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-seventh session (resolutions [37/89](#), [38/80](#), [39/96](#), [40/162](#), [41/64](#), [42/68](#), [43/56](#), [44/46](#), [45/72](#), [46/45](#), [47/67](#), [48/39](#), [49/34](#), [50/27](#), [51/122](#), [51/123](#), [52/56](#), [53/45](#), [54/67](#), [54/68](#), [55/122](#), [56/51](#), [57/116](#), [58/89](#), [58/90](#), [59/2](#), [59/115](#), [59/116](#), [60/99](#), [61/110](#), [61/111](#), [62/101](#), [62/217](#), [63/90](#), [64/86](#), [65/97](#), [65/271](#), [66/71](#), [67/113](#), [68/74](#), [68/75](#), [69/85](#), [70/82](#), [70/230](#), [71/90](#), [72/77](#) to [72/79](#), [73/91](#), [74/82](#), [75/92](#), [76/76](#), [77/120](#), [77/121](#) and [78/72](#) and decisions [72/518](#) and [73/517](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Committee to continue to consider, as a matter of priority, ways and means of maintaining outer space for peaceful purposes and to report thereon to it at its seventy-ninth session, and agreed that the Committee should continue to consider the broader perspective of space security and associated matters that would be instrumental in ensuring the safe and responsible conduct of space activities, including ways to promote international, regional and interregional cooperation to that end (resolution [78/72](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space: Supplement No. 20 ([A/79/20](#)).

**(b) Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly decided to convene a joint half-day panel discussion of the Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee) and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to address possible challenges to space security and sustainability, and also decided to include, under the item entitled “International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space”, a sub-item entitled “Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability” in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/72](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 48)**

Report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space: Supplement No. 20 ([A/78/20](#))

Summary records [A/C.4/78/SR.15–17](#)

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A/78/419](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.45](#)

Resolution [78/72](#)

#### **48. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**

At its third session, the General Assembly initiated United Nations assistance to Palestine refugees (resolution [212 \(III\)](#)) and established the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine, composed of France, Turkey and the United States of America (resolution [194 \(III\)](#)).

At its fourth session, the Assembly established the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) (resolution [302 \(IV\)](#)). Since May 1950, the Agency, which is supported by voluntary contributions, has been providing education, training, health, relief and other services to Arab refugees from Palestine. In 1967 and 1982, the functions of the Agency were widened to include humanitarian assistance, as far as practicable, on an emergency basis and as a temporary measure, to other displaced persons in serious need of immediate assistance as a result of the 1967 and subsequent hostilities (resolutions [2252 \(ES-V\)](#) and [37/120 B](#)). The Agency's mandate has been extended several times, most recently until 30 June 2026 (resolution [77/123](#)).

At its twenty-fifth session, the Assembly, in view of the Agency's deteriorating financial situation, established the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East to study all aspects of the financing of the Agency (resolution [2656 \(XXV\)](#)). The Working Group has submitted recommendations to the Assembly annually since its twenty-fifth session, and the Assembly has annually extended the Working Group's mandate. At present, the Working Group is composed of the following nine Member States: France, Ghana, Japan, Lebanon, Norway, Trinidad and Tobago, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

At its sixtieth session, the Assembly decided to increase the membership of the Advisory Commission on UNRWA to 21 members, to invite Palestine to attend and fully participate in its meetings as an observer, to invite the European Community to attend its meetings and to invite the League of Arab States to attend its meetings as an observer (decision [60/522](#)). At its sixty-third, sixty-fifth, sixty-sixth, sixty-ninth, seventy-third and seventy-fifth sessions, the Assembly decided to increase the membership of the Advisory Commission on UNRWA to 23, then to 24, 25, 27, 28 and 29 members, respectively (resolutions [63/91](#), [65/98](#), [66/72](#), [69/86](#), [73/92](#) and [75/93](#)). At present, the Advisory Commission is composed of the following 29 Member States: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), Norway, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Türkiye, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly reaffirmed its request to the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine to continue exerting efforts towards the implementation of paragraph 11 of Assembly resolution [194 \(III\)](#) and to report to the Assembly on the efforts being exerted in that regard as appropriate, but no later than 1 September 2024. The Assembly also affirmed the necessity for the continuation of the work of the Agency and the importance of its unimpeded operation and its provision of services, including emergency assistance, for the well-being, protection and human development of the Palestine refugees and for the stability of the region (resolution [78/74](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly expressed its appreciation to the Advisory Commission of the Agency and requested it to continue its efforts and to keep the Assembly informed of its activities (resolution [78/73](#)). The Assembly also requested



the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution on Palestine refugees' properties and their revenues (resolution [78/75](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: Supplement No. 13 ([A/79/13](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on Palestine refugees' properties and their revenues (resolution [78/75](#));
- (c) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the seventy-eighth report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine (resolutions [512 \(VI\)](#) and [78/74](#));
- (d) Report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (resolution [78/73](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 49)**

Report of the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: Supplement No. 13 ([A/78/13](#))

Report of the Secretary-General on Palestine refugees' properties and their revenues ([A/78/305](#))

Report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East ([A/78/314](#))

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the seventy-seventh report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine ([A/78/279](#))

Summary records [A/C.4/78/SR.22, 23](#) and [26](#)

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A/78/420](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.45](#)

Resolutions [78/73](#) to [78/75](#)

#### **49. Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories**

At its twenty-third session, the General Assembly established the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories (resolution [2443 \(XXIII\)](#)). At its twenty-fifth session, the Assembly renewed the mandate of the Special Committee (resolution [2727 \(XXV\)](#)). At present, the Special Committee is composed of the following three Member States: Malaysia, Senegal and Sri Lanka.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its twenty-sixth session and has requested the Committee to continue its work (resolutions [2851 \(XXVI\)](#), [3005 \(XXVII\)](#), [3092 A and B \(XXVIII\)](#), [3240 A to C \(XXIX\)](#), [3525 A to D \(XXX\)](#), [31/106 A to D](#), [32/91 A to C](#), [33/133 A to C](#), [34/90 A to C](#), [35/122 A to F](#), [36/147 A to G](#), [37/88 A to G](#), [38/79 A to H](#), [39/95 A to H](#), [40/161 A to G](#), [41/63 A to G](#), [42/160 A to G](#), [43/58 A to G](#), [44/48 A to G](#), [45/74 A to G](#), [46/47 A to G](#), [47/70 A to G](#), [48/41 A to D](#), [49/36 A to D](#), [50/29 A to D](#), [51/131](#) to [51/135](#), [52/64](#) to [52/69](#), [53/53](#) to [53/57](#), [54/76](#) to [54/80](#), [55/130](#) to [55/134](#), [56/59](#) to [56/63](#), [57/124](#) to [57/128](#), [58/96](#) to [58/100](#), [59/121](#) to [59/125](#), [60/104](#) to [60/108](#), [61/116](#) to [61/120](#), [62/106](#) to [62/110](#), [63/95](#) to [63/99](#), [64/91](#) to [64/95](#),

[65/102](#) to [65/106](#), [66/76](#) to [66/80](#), [67/118](#) to [67/122](#), [68/80](#) to [68/84](#), [69/90](#) to [69/94](#), [70/87](#) to [70/91](#), [71/95](#) to [71/99](#), [72/84](#) to [72/88](#), [73/96](#) to [73/100](#), [74/87](#) to [74/90](#), [75/96](#) to [75/99](#), [76/80](#) to [76/82](#), [77/125](#), [77/126](#), [77/247](#) and [78/76](#) to [78/78](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided to update the title of the agenda item to “Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories” and to include it in the provisional agenda of its seventy-sixth session (resolution [75/97](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided, in accordance with Article 96 of the Charter of the United Nations, to request the International Court of Justice, pursuant to Article 65 of the Statute of the Court, to render an advisory opinion on the following questions, considering the rules and principles of international law, including the Charter of the United Nations, international humanitarian law, international human rights law, relevant resolutions of the Security Council, the Assembly and the Human Rights Council and the advisory opinion of the Court of 9 July 2004: (a) the legal consequences arising from the ongoing violation by Israel of the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination, from its prolonged occupation, settlement and annexation of the Palestinian territory occupied since 1967, including measures aimed at altering the demographic composition, character and status of the Holy City of Jerusalem, and from its adoption of related discriminatory legislation and measures; and (b) how the policies and practices of Israel referred to in (a) affect the legal status of the occupation, and the legal consequences that arise for all States and the United Nations from that status (resolution [77/247](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of resolutions [78/76](#) to [78/78](#).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [78/76](#) to [78/78](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the fifty-sixth report of the Special Committee (resolution [78/76](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 50)**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/502</a> , <a href="#">A/78/529</a> and <a href="#">A/78/554</a>
Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/553</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.4/78/SR.24–26</a>
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	<a href="#">A/78/421</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/76</a> to <a href="#">78/78</a>

## **51. Comprehensive review of special political missions**

The General Assembly has had the question of special political missions on its agenda annually since its sixty-seventh session (resolutions [67/123](#), [68/85](#), [69/95](#), [70/92](#), [71/100](#), [72/89](#), [73/101](#), [74/91](#), [75/100](#), [76/83](#), [77/127](#) and [78/79](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to hold regular, inclusive and interactive dialogue on the overall policy matters pertaining to

special political missions and to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution regarding the overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions (resolution [78/79](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/79](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 52)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/307</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.4/78/SR.21</a>
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	<a href="#">A/78/423</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/79</a>

## **52. Questions relating to information**

At its thirtieth session, the General Assembly decided to consider at its thirty-third session an item entitled “United Nations public information policies and activities” (resolution [3535 \(XXX\)](#)). At its thirty-third session, the Assembly considered the item as a sub-item under “Questions relating to information” and decided to establish the Committee to Review United Nations Public Information Policies and Activities, consisting of 41 Member States (resolution [33/115 C](#)).

At its thirty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to maintain the Committee and rename it the Committee on Information (resolution [34/182](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-fifth session (resolutions [35/201](#), [36/149 A and B](#), [37/94 A and B](#), [38/82 A and B](#), [39/98 A and B](#), [40/164 A and B](#), [41/68 A to E](#), [42/162 A and B](#), [43/60 A and B](#), [44/50](#), [45/76 A and B](#), [46/73 A and B](#), [47/73 A and B](#), [48/44 A and B](#), [49/38 A and B](#), [50/31 A and B](#), [51/138 A and B](#), [52/70 A and B](#), [53/59 A and B](#), [54/82 A and B](#), [55/136 A and B](#), [56/64 A and B](#), [57/130 A and B](#), [58/101 A and B](#), [59/126 A and B](#), [60/109 A and B](#), [61/121 A and B](#), [62/111 A and B](#), [63/100 A and B](#), [64/96 A and B](#), [65/107 A and B](#), [66/81 A and B](#), [67/124 A and B](#), [68/86 A and B](#), [69/96 A and B](#), [70/93 A and B](#), [71/101 A and B](#), [72/90 A and B](#), [73/102 A and B](#), [74/92 A and B](#), [75/101 A and B](#), [75/267](#), [76/84 A and B](#), [77/128 A and B](#) and [78/80 A and B](#)).

In addition, the Assembly took a series of decisions on increasing the membership of the Committee on Information from 41 to 116 (resolutions [34/182](#) and [71/101 A and B](#) and decisions [43/418](#), [44/418](#), [45/422](#), [46/423](#), [47/322](#), [47/424](#), [48/318](#), [49/416](#), [50/311](#), [50/411](#), [52/318](#), [53/418](#), [54/318](#), [55/317](#), [55/425](#), [56/419](#), [57/412](#), [57/524](#), [58/410](#), [58/525](#), [59/413](#), [59/518](#), [60/415](#), [60/524](#), [61/413](#), [61/521](#), [63/524](#), [64/520](#), [67/413](#), [67/529](#) and [69/522](#)). The current composition of the Committee (122 members) is contained in its report on its forty-fifth session ([A/78/21](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to the Committee on Information at its forty-sixth session and to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the activities of the Department of Global Communications and on the implementation of all recommendations and requests contained in the resolution. The Assembly also requested the Committee to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/80 B](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Committee on Information on its forty-sixth session: Supplement No. 21 ([A/79/21](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/80 B](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 53)**

Report of the Committee on Information on its forty-fifth session: Supplement No. 21 ([A/78/21](#))

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/294</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.4/78/SR.12–14</a>
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	<a href="#">A/78/424</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/80 A and B</a>

**53. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations**

Under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations, Member States administering Non-Self-Governing Territories are required to transmit regularly to the Secretary-General statistical and other information relating to conditions in the Territories for which they are responsible. The information is examined by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, which, under the terms of resolution [1970 \(XVIII\)](#), is requested to take that information fully into account in considering the situation in the Non-Self-Governing Territories concerned.

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly reaffirmed that, in the absence of a decision by the Assembly itself that a Non-Self-Governing Territory had attained a full measure of self-government in terms of Chapter XI of the Charter, the administering Power concerned should continue to transmit information under Article 73 *e* of the Charter with respect to that Territory; requested the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that adequate information was drawn from all available published sources in connection with the preparation of the working papers relating to the Territories concerned; and requested the Special Committee to continue to discharge the functions entrusted to it under resolution [1970 \(XVIII\)](#), in accordance with established procedures (resolution [78/81](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Special Committee for 2024: Supplement No. 23 ([A/79/23](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/81](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 54)**

Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples for 2023: Supplement No. 23 ([A/78/23](#)), chap. V

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/63</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.4/78/SR.2</a> and 6–9
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	<a href="#">A/78/425</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/81</a>

**54. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories**

Initially entitled “Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia, South West Africa and Territories under Portuguese domination and in all other Territories under colonial domination” (resolution [2189 \(XXI\)](#)), the title of this item was amended at the Assembly’s twenty-second, thirty-fifth, forty-fourth, forty-sixth and forty-eighth sessions (resolution [2288 \(XXII\)](#), [A/35/250](#), para. 22, and decisions 44/469, 46/402 D and 48/402 C). The item was included in the agenda of the fifty-third session of the General Assembly on the recommendation of the General Committee (see [A/53/PV.3](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its twenty-second session (resolutions [2288 \(XXII\)](#), [2425 \(XXIII\)](#), [2554 \(XXIV\)](#), [2703 \(XXV\)](#), [2873 \(XXVI\)](#), [2979 \(XXVII\)](#), [3117 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3299 \(XXIX\)](#), [3398 \(XXX\)](#), [31/7](#), [32/35](#), [33/40](#), [34/41](#), [35/28](#), [36/51](#), [37/31](#), [38/50](#), [39/42](#), [40/52](#), [41/14](#), [42/74](#), [43/29](#), [44/84](#), [45/17](#), [46/64](#), [47/15](#), [48/46](#), [49/40](#), [50/33](#), [51/140](#), [52/72](#), [53/61](#), [54/84](#), [55/138](#), [56/66](#), [57/132](#), [58/103](#), [59/128](#), [60/111](#), [61/123](#), [62/113](#), [63/102](#), [64/98](#), [65/109](#), [66/83](#), [67/126](#), [68/88](#), [69/98](#), [70/95](#), [71/103](#), [72/92](#), [73/104](#), [74/94](#), [75/103](#), [76/86](#), [77/130](#) and [78/82](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to continue to examine the question of economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/82](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Special Committee for 2024: Supplement No. 23 ([A/79/23](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 55)**

Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples for 2023: Supplement No. 23 (A/78/23), chap. VI

Summary records [A/C.4/78/SR.2](#) and 6–9

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A/78/426](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.45](#)

Resolution [78/82](#)

## **55. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations**

The General Assembly has had this item on its agenda annually since its twenty-second session (resolutions [2311 \(XXII\)](#), [2426 \(XXIII\)](#), [2555 \(XXIV\)](#), [2704 \(XXV\)](#), [2874 \(XXVI\)](#), [2980 \(XXVII\)](#), [3118 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3300 \(XXIX\)](#), [3421 \(XXX\)](#), [31/30](#), [32/36](#), [33/41](#), [34/42](#), [35/29](#), [36/52](#), [37/32](#), [38/51](#), [39/43](#), [40/53](#), [41/15](#), [42/75](#), [43/30](#), [44/85](#), [45/18](#), [46/65](#), [47/16](#), [48/47](#), [49/41](#), [50/34](#), [51/141](#), [52/73](#), [53/62](#), [54/85](#), [55/139](#), [56/67](#), [57/133](#), [58/104](#), [59/129](#), [60/112](#), [61/231](#), [62/114](#), [63/103](#), [64/99](#), [65/110](#), [66/84](#), [67/127](#), [68/89](#), [69/99](#), [70/96](#), [71/104](#), [72/93](#), [73/105](#), [74/95](#), [75/104](#), [76/87](#), [77/131](#) and [78/83](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution and requested the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to continue to examine the question and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/83](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Special Committee for 2024: Supplement No. 23 ([A/79/23](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/83](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 56)**

Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples for 2023: Supplement No. 23 (A/78/23), chap. VII

Report of the Secretary-General [A/78/65](#)

Summary records [A/C.4/78/SR.2](#) and 6–9

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A/78/427](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.45](#)

Resolution [78/83](#)

## 56. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories

At its ninth session, the General Assembly invited Member States to offer facilities to the inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories, not only for study and training at the university level but also for study at the post-primary level, as well as technical and vocational training of immediate and practical value, and requested the Secretary-General to prepare a report for the information of the Assembly, giving details of the offers made and the extent to which they had been taken up (resolution [845 \(IX\)](#)). At subsequent sessions, a similar invitation was reiterated by the Assembly, and the Secretary-General was requested to report on the implementation of the relevant resolution (resolutions [931 \(X\)](#), [1050 \(XI\)](#) and [1154 \(XII\)](#)).

At its thirteenth session, the Assembly decided to place this question as a separate item on the provisional agenda of its fourteenth session (resolution [1277 \(XIII\)](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fourteenth session (resolutions [1411 \(XIV\)](#), [1540 \(XV\)](#), [1696 \(XVI\)](#), [1849 \(XVII\)](#), [1974 \(XVIII\)](#), [2110 \(XX\)](#), [2234 \(XXI\)](#), [2352 \(XXII\)](#), [2423 \(XXIII\)](#), [2556 \(XXIV\)](#), [2705 \(XXV\)](#), [2876 \(XXVI\)](#), [2982 \(XXVII\)](#), [3120 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3302 \(XXIX\)](#), [3423 \(XXX\)](#), [31/32](#), [32/38](#), [33/43](#), [34/32](#), [35/31](#), [36/54](#), [37/34](#), [38/53](#), [39/45](#), [40/55](#), [41/28](#), [42/77](#), [43/32](#), [44/87](#), [45/20](#), [46/66](#), [47/17](#), [48/48](#), [49/42](#), [50/35](#), [51/142](#), [52/74](#), [53/63](#), [54/86](#), [55/140](#), [56/68](#), [57/134](#), [58/105](#), [59/130](#), [60/113](#), [61/124](#), [62/115](#), [63/104](#), [64/100](#), [65/111](#), [66/85](#), [67/128](#), [68/90](#), [69/100](#), [70/97](#), [71/105](#), [72/94](#), [73/106](#), [74/96](#), [75/105](#), [76/88](#), [77/132](#) and [78/84](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/84](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/84](#)).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 57)

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/69</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.4/78/SR.2</a> and 6–9
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	<a href="#">A/78/428</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/84</a>

## 57. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

At its sixteenth session, the General Assembly established the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, consisting of 17 members (resolution [1654 \(XVI\)](#)). The Assembly enlarged the Special Committee at its seventeenth, thirty-fourth, fifty-ninth, sixty-third and sixty-fourth sessions (resolution [1810 \(XVII\)](#) and decisions [34/425](#), [59/520](#), [63/526](#) and [64/554](#)).

At present, the Special Committee is composed of the following 29 Member States: Antigua and Barbuda, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Chile, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Dominica, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Fiji, Grenada, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Mali, Nicaragua, Papua New Guinea, Russian Federation,

Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sierra Leone, Syrian Arab Republic, Timor-Leste, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

At its resumed fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided that the item should be allocated for annual consideration in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (resolution 58/316, annex, para. 4 (i)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixteenth session (resolutions 1654 (XVI), 1810 (XVII), 1956 (XVIII), 2105 (XX), 2189 (XXI), 2326 (XXII), 2465 (XXIII), 2548 (XXIV), 2708 (XXV), 2878 (XXVI), 2908 (XXVII), 3163 (XXVIII), 3328 (XXIX), 3481 (XXX), 31/143, 32/42, 33/44, 34/94, 35/119, 36/68, 37/35, 38/54, 39/91, 40/57, 41/41 A and B, 42/71, 43/45, 44/101, 45/34, 46/71, 47/23, 48/52, 49/89, 50/39, 51/146, 52/78, 53/68, 54/91, 55/147, 56/74, 57/140, 58/111, 59/136, 60/119, 61/130, 62/120, 63/110, 64/106, 65/117, 66/91, 67/134, 68/97, 69/107, 70/231, 71/122, 72/111, 73/123, 74/113, 75/122, 76/105, 77/149 and 78/101 and decisions 34/310, 34/425, 59/520, 63/413, 63/526, 64/418 and 64/554).

Under the same item, the Assembly has also considered the following:

- (a) Question of Western Sahara (resolutions 31/45, 32/22, 33/31 A and B, 34/37, 35/19, 36/46, 37/28, 38/40, 39/40, 40/50, 41/16, 42/78, 43/33, 44/88, 45/21, 46/67, 47/25, 48/49, 49/44, 50/36, 51/143, 52/75, 53/64, 54/87, 55/141, 56/69, 57/135, 58/109, 59/131, 60/114, 61/125, 62/116, 63/105, 64/101, 65/112, 66/86, 67/129, 68/91, 69/101, 70/98, 71/106, 72/95, 73/107, 74/97, 75/106, 76/89, 77/133 and 78/85);
- (b) Question of New Caledonia (resolutions 42/79, 43/34, 44/89, 45/22, 46/69, 47/26, 48/50, 49/45, 50/37, 51/144, 52/76, 53/65, 54/88, 55/142, 56/70, 57/136, 58/106, 59/132, 60/115, 61/126, 62/117, 63/106, 64/102, 65/113, 66/87, 67/130, 68/92, 69/102, 70/99, 71/119, 72/104, 73/115, 74/106, 75/115, 76/98, 77/142 and 78/94);
- (c) Question of French Polynesia (resolutions 67/265, 68/93, 69/103, 70/100, 71/120, 72/101, 73/112, 74/103, 75/112, 76/95, 77/139 and 78/91);
- (d) Question of Tokelau (resolutions 2069 (XX), 2232 (XXI), 2357 (XXII), 2430 (XXIII), 2592 (XXIV), 2709 (XXV), 2868 (XXVI), 2986 (XXVII), 3428 (XXX), 31/48, 41/26, 42/84, 43/35, 44/90, 45/29, 46/68 A and B, 47/27 A and B, 48/51 A and B, 49/47, 50/38 A and B, 51/145, 52/77, 53/66, 54/89, 55/143, 56/71, 57/137, 58/107, 59/133, 60/116, 61/127, 62/121, 63/107, 64/103, 65/114, 66/88, 67/131, 68/94, 69/104, 70/101, 71/107, 72/107, 73/118, 74/109, 75/118, 76/101, 77/145 and 78/97);
- (e) Questions of American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Pitcairn, Saint Helena, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands (resolutions 2069 (XX), 2232 (XXI), 2357 (XXII), 2430 (XXIII), 2592 (XXIV), 2709 (XXV), 2869 (XXVI), 2984 (XXVII), 3156 (XXVIII), 3157 (XXVIII), 3289 (XXIX), 3290 (XXIX), 3425 (XXX), 3427 (XXX), 3429 (XXX), 3433 (XXX), 31/52, 31/54, 31/55, 31/57, 31/58, 32/24, 32/28 to 32/31, 33/32 to 33/35, 34/34 to 34/36, 34/39, 35/21 to 35/25, 36/47, 36/48, 36/62, 36/63, 37/20 to 37/27, 38/41 to 38/48, 39/30 to 39/39, 40/41 to 40/49, 41/17 to 41/25, 42/80 to 42/83, 42/85 to 42/89, 43/36 to 43/44, 44/91 to 44/99, 45/23 to 45/28, 45/30 to 45/32, 46/68 A and B, 47/27 A and B, 48/51 A and B, 49/46 A and B, 50/38 A and B, 51/224 A and B, 52/77 A and B, 53/67 A and B, 54/90 A and B, 55/144 A and B, 56/72 A and B, 57/138 A and B, 58/108 A and B, 59/134 A and B, 60/117 A and B, 61/128 A and B, 62/118 A and B, 63/108 A and B, 64/104 A and B, 65/115 A and B, 66/89 A and B, 67/132 A and B, 68/95 A and B, 69/105 A and B, 70/102 A and B, 71/108 to 71/118, 72/96 to 72/100, 72/102, 72/103, 72/105, 72/106, 72/108, 72/109,



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- (f) Dissemination of information on decolonization (resolutions 2879 (XXVI), 2909 (XXVII), 3164 (XXVIII), 3329 (XXIX), 3482 (XXX), 31/144, 32/43, 33/45, 34/95, 35/120, 36/69, 37/36, 38/55, 39/92, 40/58, 41/42, 42/72, 43/46, 44/102, 45/35, 46/72, 47/24, 48/53, 49/90, 50/40, 51/147, 52/79, 53/69, 54/92, 55/145, 56/73, 57/139, 58/110, 59/135, 60/118, 61/129, 62/119, 63/109, 64/105, 65/116, 66/90, 67/133, 68/96, 69/106, 70/103, 71/121, 72/110, 73/122, 74/112, 75/121, 76/104, 77/148 and 78/100);
- (g) Question of Gibraltar (resolutions 2070 (XX), 2231 (XXI), 2353 (XXII), 2429 (XXIII) and 3286 (XXIX) and decisions 31/406 C, 32/411, 33/408, 34/412, 35/406, 36/409, 37/412, 38/415, 39/410, 40/413, 41/407, 42/418, 43/411, 44/426, 45/407, 46/420, 47/411, 48/422, 49/420, 50/415, 51/430, 52/419, 53/420, 54/423, 55/427, 56/421, 57/526, 58/526, 59/519, 60/525, 61/522, 62/523, 63/525, 64/521, 65/521, 66/522, 67/530, 68/523, 69/523, 70/520, 71/521, 72/520, 73/519, 74/515, 75/523, 76/522, 77/553 and 78/513);
- (h) International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism (resolutions 43/47, 46/181, 54/90 A, 55/146, 60/120, 64/106, 65/119 and 75/123);
- (i) Fiftieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (resolution 65/118 and decisions 64/560 and 65/524).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Committee to continue to seek suitable means for the immediate and full implementation of the Declaration, to formulate specific proposals to bring about an end to colonialism and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution 78/101).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Special Committee for 2024: Supplement No. 23 (A/79/23);
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on the question of Western Sahara (resolution 78/85).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 58)**

Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples for 2023: Supplement No. 23 (A/78/23), chaps. VIII to XI and XIII

Reports of the Secretary-General	A/78/65 and A/78/249
Summary records	A/C.4/78/SR.2, 6–9 and 13
Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)	A/78/429
Plenary meeting	A/78/PV.45
Resolutions	78/85 to 78/101
Decision	78/513

## **58. Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India**

This item was included in the agenda of the thirty-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of Madagascar ([A/34/245](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-fourth to forty-fourth sessions (resolutions [34/91](#) and [35/123](#) and decisions [36/432](#), [37/424](#), [38/422](#), [39/421](#), [40/429](#), [41/416](#), [42/415](#), [43/419](#) and [44/419](#)).

The Assembly, under the item entitled “Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items”, has decided to include the item in the provisional agenda of the subsequent session annually since its forty-fifth session (decisions [45/402 A](#), [46/402 A](#), [47/402 A](#), [48/402 A](#), [49/402 A](#), [50/402 A](#), [51/402 A](#), [52/402 A](#), [53/402 A](#), [54/402 A](#), [55/402 A](#), [56/402 A](#), [57/503 A](#), [58/503 A](#), [59/503 A](#), [60/503 A](#), [61/503 A](#), [62/503 A](#), [63/503 A](#), [64/503 A](#), [65/503 A](#), [66/503 A](#), [67/504 A](#), [68/504 A](#), [69/502 A](#), [70/502 A](#), [71/504 A](#), [72/504 A](#), [73/504 A](#), [74/503 A](#), [75/504 A](#), [76/506 A](#), [77/505 A](#) and [78/504 A](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

## **59. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources**

The General Assembly considered this question at its forty-eighth to fifty-first sessions under the item entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council” (resolutions [48/212](#), [49/132](#), [50/129](#) and [51/190](#)). At its fifty-first session, the Assembly decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-second session an item entitled “Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources” (resolution [51/190](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-second session (resolutions [52/207](#), [53/196](#), [54/230](#), [55/209](#), [56/204](#), [57/269](#) (change in name of agenda item to “Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources”), [58/229](#), [59/251](#), [60/183](#), [61/184](#), [62/181](#), [63/201](#), [64/185](#), [65/179](#), [66/225](#), [67/229](#), [68/235](#), [69/241](#), [70/225](#), [71/247](#), [72/240](#), [73/255](#), [74/243](#), [75/236](#), [76/225](#), [77/187](#) and [78/170](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Second Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 38 delegations (see [A/C.2/78/SR.19](#) and [20](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution, including with regard to the cumulative impact of the exploitation, damage and depletion by Israel of natural resources in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan, and with regard to the impact of such practices on the promotion of the Sustainable Development Goals (resolution [78/170](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report prepared by the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (resolution [78/170](#)).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 59)

Relevant chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council on its 2023 session ([A/78/3](#))

Note by the Secretary-General ([A/78/127](#))

Report of the Second Committee [A/78/467](#)

Summary records [A/C.2/78/SR.19–21](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.49](#)

Resolution [78/170](#)

## 60. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions

At its fifth session, the General Assembly adopted the statute of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (resolution [428 \(V\)](#), annex). In accordance with paragraph 11 of the statute, the High Commissioner reports annually in writing to the Assembly.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 49 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.44](#) and [45](#)).

### Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the High Commissioner to report on his annual activities to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/184](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: Supplement No. 12 ([A/79/12](#));
- (b) Report of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: Supplement No. 12A ([A/79/12/Add.1](#)).

### Assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa

The question of assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa was considered by the Assembly at its forty-sixth to seventy-eighth sessions (resolutions [46/108](#), [47/107](#), [48/118](#), [49/174](#), [50/149](#), [51/71](#), [52/101](#), [53/126](#), [54/147](#), [55/77](#), [56/135](#), [57/183](#), [58/149](#), [59/172](#), [60/128](#), [61/139](#), [62/125](#), [63/149](#), [64/129](#), [65/193](#), [66/135](#), [67/150](#), [68/143](#), [69/154](#), [70/134](#), [71/173](#), [72/152](#), [73/150](#), [74/131](#), [75/164](#), [76/144](#), [77/199](#) and [78/185](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Council on the human rights of internally displaced persons to continue the ongoing dialogue with Member States and the intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations concerned, in accordance with the Council's mandate, and to include information thereon in all reports to the Council and the Assembly. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report on assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session, taking fully into account, inter alia, the situation of their host communities, refugee camps and the efforts expended by countries of asylum and those

aimed at bridging funding gaps, under the item entitled “Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions” (resolution [78/185](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/185](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 60)**

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: Supplement No. 12 ([A/78/12](#))

Report of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on the work of its seventy-fourth session: Supplement No. 12A ([A/78/12/Add.1](#))

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/183</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.44, 45, 48, 51 and 54</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/474</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/184</a> and <a href="#">78/185</a>

## **62. The situation in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine**

The item entitled “The situation in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine” was included in the agenda of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly at the request of Ukraine ([A/73/193](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-third session (decisions [73/567](#), [74/581](#), [75/582](#) and [76/579](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President and 61 delegations (see [A/78/PV.56–58](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly, under the sub-item entitled “Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives” of the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights”, decided to include the item in the annual agenda of the Assembly (resolution [78/221](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 62)**

Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.56–58</a>
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## **63. Use of the veto**

At its seventy-sixth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Strengthening of the United Nations system”, decided that the President of the Assembly would convene a formal meeting of the Assembly within 10 working days of the casting of a veto by one or more permanent members of the Security Council, to hold a debate on the situation as to which the veto had been cast, provided that the Assembly did not meet in an emergency special session on the same situation; also decided, on an exceptional basis, to accord precedence in the list of speakers to the permanent member or permanent members of the Council having cast a veto; invited the Council, in accordance with Article 24 (3) of the Charter of the United Nations, to submit a special report on the use of the veto in question to the Assembly at least 72 hours before the relevant discussion in the Assembly; and decided to include in

the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session an item entitled “Use of the veto”, and that the item should remain on the agenda of the Assembly for consideration in accordance with paragraph 1 of the resolution (resolution 76/262).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-seventh session.

In addition to the two debates held at its seventy-sixth session under the item entitled “Strengthening of the United Nations system” (see [A/76/PV.77](#), [78](#), [81](#) and [82](#) and [A/76/853](#) (Non-proliferation/Democratic People’s Republic of Korea); [A/76/PV.95](#) and [96](#) and [A/76/905](#) (The situation in the Middle East)), the Assembly has held eight debates pursuant to resolution 76/262 under the present item (see [A/77/PV.90](#) and [91](#) and [A/77/965](#) (The situation in the Middle East); [A/78/PV.3](#) and [A/78/341](#) (The situation in Mali); [A/78/PV.51](#) and [52](#) and [A/78/691](#) (The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question); [A/78/PV.59–61](#) and [A/78/786](#) (The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question); [A/78/PV.66](#) and [67](#) and [A/78/832](#) (The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question); [A/78/PV.68](#) and [69](#) and [A/78/831](#) (Non-proliferation/Democratic People’s Republic of Korea); [A/78/PV.74](#), [75](#) and [79](#) and [A/78/856](#) (Admission of new members; see also [A/ES-10/991](#)); and [A/78/PV.78](#) and [79](#) and [A/78/861](#) (Non-proliferation); see also [A/77/551](#) (Maintenance of peace and security of Ukraine) and [A/ES-11/8](#); [A/78/549](#) and [A/78/556](#) (The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question) and [A/ES-10/958](#) and [A/ES-10/961](#); [A/78/667](#) (The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question) and [A/ES-10/974](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President and 48 delegations (see [A/78/PV.70](#) and [71](#)) and held debates pursuant to resolution 76/262 as listed above.

No advance documentation is expected.

#### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 63)

Letters from the President of the Security Council	<a href="#">A/78/341</a> , <a href="#">A/78/691</a> , <a href="#">A/78/786</a> , <a href="#">A/78/831</a> , <a href="#">A/78/832</a> , <a href="#">A/78/856</a> and <a href="#">A/78/861</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.3</a> , <a href="#">51</a> , <a href="#">52</a> , <a href="#">59–61</a> , <a href="#">66–71</a> , <a href="#">74</a> , <a href="#">75</a> , <a href="#">78</a> and <a href="#">79</a>

## C. Development of Africa

### 65. From the New Partnership for Africa’s Development to Agenda 2063: progress in the implementation of sustainable development in Africa and international support

#### (a) From the New Partnership for Africa’s Development to Agenda 2063: progress in the implementation of sustainable development in Africa and international support

At its fifty-seventh session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Final review and appraisal of the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s”, endorsed the recommendation of the Secretary-General that the New Partnership for Africa’s Development, as decided by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its thirty-seventh ordinary session, should be the framework within which the international community, including the United Nations system, should concentrate its efforts for Africa’s development; decided to include a single, comprehensive item on

the development of Africa, entitled “New Partnership for Africa’s Development: progress in implementation and international support”, in the annual agenda of the Assembly, beginning at its fifty-eighth session; encouraged the efforts being made towards clustering the items related to Africa’s development; and requested the Secretary-General to submit the first consolidated report on the implementation of the resolution to the Assembly at its fifty-eighth session on the basis of input from Governments, organizations of the United Nations system and the other stakeholders in the New Partnership, such as the private sector and civil society (resolution 57/7).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-eighth session (resolutions 58/233, 59/254, 60/222, 61/229, 62/179, 62/242, 63/1 (political declaration on Africa’s development needs), 63/267, 64/258, 65/284, 66/286, 66/293, 67/294, 68/301, 69/290, 70/295, 71/320, 72/310, 73/335, 74/301, 75/322, 76/297, 77/270 and 78/262).

At its sixty-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its sixty-ninth session the first biennial report on the review of the implementation of commitments made towards Africa’s development (resolution 66/293).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly decided to include the item in the provisional agenda for consideration and decision during the main part of its annual sessions (resolution 76/297).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate with the sub-item entitled “Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa”, where statements were made by the President and 16 delegations (see A/78/PV.18). The Assembly decided to include an item entitled “From the New Partnership for Africa’s Development to Agenda 2063: progress in the implementation of sustainable development in Africa and international support” in the provisional agenda for consideration and decision during the main part of its seventy-ninth session and requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, on an annual basis, a comprehensive and action-oriented report to inform the discussions under the agenda item, including on the implementation of the resolution, based on the provision of inputs from Governments, organizations of the United Nations system and other stakeholders in the New Partnership (resolution 78/262).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 66/293 and 78/262).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 65 (a))**

Report of the Secretary-General	A/78/309
Draft resolution	A/78/L.38
Plenary meetings	A/78/PV.18 (jointly with item 65 (b)) and 57
Resolution	78/262

#### **(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa**

The item entitled “Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa” was included in the agenda of the General Assembly at its fifty-third session at the request of Namibia (A/53/231). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-third to fifty-seventh sessions (resolutions 53/92, 54/234, 55/217, 56/37 and 57/296). At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include the item as a sub-item, under a single agenda item on the development of Africa, entitled “New Partnership for Africa’s Development:

progress in implementation and international support”, beginning at its fifty-eighth session (resolution [57/296](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-eighth session (resolutions [58/234](#), [58/235](#), [59/255](#), [60/223](#), [61/230](#), [62/275](#), [63/304](#), [64/252](#), [65/278](#), [66/287](#), [67/293](#), [68/278](#), [69/291](#), [70/292](#), [71/315](#), [72/311](#), [73/336](#), [74/273](#), [74/302](#), [75/327](#), [76/298](#), [77/271](#) and [78/263](#) and decision 72/550).

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report annually to the Assembly on the implementation of the outreach programme on the 1994 genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda and the United Nations (resolution [74/273](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly decided to include the item in the provisional agenda for consideration and decision during the main part of its annual sessions (resolution [76/298](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate with the sub-item entitled “New Partnership for Africa’s Development: progress in implementation and international support”, where statements were made by the President and 16 delegations (see [A/78/PV.18](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to monitor and report, by September 2024, to the Assembly, and thereafter on an annual basis, on persistent and emerging challenges to the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa, including the root causes of conflict and conditions to promote sustainable development, as well as on the approach and support of the United Nations system (resolution [78/263](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [74/273](#) and [78/263](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 65 (b))**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/234</a> and <a href="#">A/78/291</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/78/L.37</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.18</a> (jointly with item 65 (a)) and <a href="#">57</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/263</a>

## **D. Promotion of human rights**

### **66. Report of the Human Rights Council**

At its sixtieth session, the General Assembly, under the agenda items entitled “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” and “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided to establish the Human Rights Council, based in Geneva, in replacement of the Commission on Human Rights, as a subsidiary organ of the Assembly, and that the Council should submit an annual report to the Assembly (resolution [60/251](#)). The Assembly has had the item entitled “Report of the Human Rights Council” on its agenda annually since its sixty-first session (resolutions [61/177](#), [61/178](#), [61/295](#), [62/219](#), [63/117](#), [63/160](#), [64/10](#), [64/142](#) to [64/144](#), [64/254](#), [65/195](#), [65/196](#), [66/136](#) to [66/138](#), [67/151](#), [68/144](#), [69/155](#), [70/136](#), [71/174](#), [72/153](#), [73/152](#), [74/132](#), [75/165](#), [76/145](#) and [78/186](#) and decisions 61/547, 62/527, 66/533 and 68/568; see also

decisions 61/503 A, 62/503 A, 63/503 A, 64/503 A, 64/507, 65/503 A and 66/558 on the allocation of the item).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly, under the items entitled “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” and “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided to continue its practice of allocating the item entitled “Report of the Human Rights Council” to the plenary of the Assembly and to the Third Committee, in accordance with its decision 65/503 A,<sup>3</sup> with the additional understanding that the President of the Council would present the report in her or his capacity as President to the plenary of the Assembly and the Third Committee. The Assembly also decided that the Third Committee would hold an interactive dialogue with the President of the Council at the time of her or his presentation of the report of the Council to the Third Committee. The Assembly further decided that, from 2013, the Council would start its yearly membership cycle on 1 January (resolution 65/281).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President of the Assembly, the President of the Council and 42 delegations (see A/78/PV.23 and 28).

Also at its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 36 delegations (see A/C.3/78/SR.46).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Human Rights Council: Supplement No. 53 (A/79/53 and A/79/53/Add.1).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 66)**

Report of the Human Rights Council on its fifty-second and fifty-third regular sessions and its thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth special sessions: Supplement No. 53 (A/78/53); and on its fifty-fourth regular session: Supplement No. 53A (A/78/53/Add.1)

Summary records	A/C.3/78/SR.46 and 51
Report of the Third Committee	A/78/475
Plenary meetings	A/78/PV.23, 28 and 50
Resolution	78/186

## **67. Promotion and protection of the rights of children**

The item entitled “Necessity of adopting effective measures for the promotion and protection of the rights of children throughout the world who are victims of especially difficult circumstances, including armed conflicts” was included in the agenda of the

<sup>3</sup> In para. 67 (i) of its first report on the organization of the sixty-fifth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items (A/65/250), the General Committee reported that it had decided to allocate the item to the plenary and the Third Committee, on the understanding that the Third Committee would consider and act on all recommendations of the Council to the Assembly, including those that dealt with the development of international law in the field of human rights, without prejudice to the right of Member States to present resolutions and decisions on all issues considered in the report of the Council; taking this into account, the Assembly, in plenary meeting, would consider the report of the Council on its activities for the year; and it had been understood that the agreement was in no way a reinterpretation of Assembly resolution 60/251 and that it would be reviewed before the beginning of the sixty-sixth session of the Assembly.



forty-eighth session at the request of Cuba ([A/48/242](#)). The General Assembly had the item on its agenda at that session (resolutions [48/156](#) and [48/157](#)).

At its forty-ninth session, on the proposal of Uruguay, the Assembly changed the title of the item to “Promotion and protection of the rights of children” (see [A/BUR/49/SR.1](#)). The Assembly has had this item on its agenda annually since its forty-ninth session (resolutions [49/209](#) to [49/212](#), [50/153](#) to [50/155](#), [51/76](#), [51/77](#), [52/106](#), [52/107](#), [53/127](#), [53/128](#), [54/148](#), [54/149](#), [55/78](#), [55/79](#), [56/138](#), [56/139](#), [57/188](#) to [57/190](#), [58/155](#) to [58/157](#), [58/245](#), [59/173](#), [59/261](#), [60/141](#), [60/231](#), [61/146](#), [62/138](#) to [62/141](#), [63/241](#), [64/145](#), [64/146](#), [65/197](#), [66/139](#) to [66/141](#), [67/152](#), [68/145](#) to [68/148](#), [68/273](#), [69/156](#) to [69/158](#), [70/137](#), [70/138](#), [71/175](#) to [71/177](#), [72/154](#), [72/245](#), [73/153](#) to [73/155](#), [74/133](#), [74/134](#), [75/166](#), [75/167](#), [76/146](#), [76/147](#), [77/201](#), [77/202](#), [78/187](#) and [78/188](#) and decisions [51/418](#), [52/421](#), [53/431](#), [54/432](#), [55/418](#), [57/530](#), [59/525](#), [60/537](#), [61/526](#), [62/528](#), [63/532](#), [64/532](#), [65/534](#), [66/534](#), [67/535](#), [68/533](#), [69/532](#), [71/532](#) and [73/524](#)).

At its forty-fourth session, under the item entitled “Adoption of the convention on the rights of the child”, the Assembly adopted resolution [44/25](#) (Convention on the Rights of the Child). At its fifty-fourth session, under the item entitled “Human rights questions”, the Assembly adopted resolution [54/263](#) (Optional protocols to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict and on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography). At its sixty-sixth session, under the item entitled “Report of the Human Rights Council”, the Assembly adopted resolution [66/138](#) (Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure).

Also at its forty-fourth session, the Assembly decided that the Committee on the Rights of the Child would submit to the Assembly, through the Economic and Social Council, every two years, reports on its activities (resolution [44/25](#), annex).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the general discussion were made by 101 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.11–14](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict to continue to submit reports to it and to the Human Rights Council on the activities undertaken in fulfilment of her mandate, including information on her field visits and on the progress achieved and the challenges remaining thereto. The Assembly requested the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children to continue to submit annual reports to it and to the Human Rights Council on the activities undertaken in fulfilment of her mandate, consistent with paragraphs 58 and 59 of its resolution [62/141](#), including information on her field visits and on the progress achieved and the challenges remaining thereto. The Assembly also requested the Special Rapporteur on the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children to continue to submit reports to it and to the Human Rights Council on the activities undertaken in fulfilment of her mandate, including information on her field visits and on the progress achieved and the challenges remaining thereto, and in the protection, rehabilitation, recovery, reintegration and access to justice of children who are victims and survivors, in a gender-responsive, disability-inclusive, victim-centred, trauma-informed and child-friendly manner and with full respect for the rights of the child, including in how to advance the protection capacities of communities and families, with the best interests of the child as a primary consideration. The Assembly also decided to invite the Chair of the Committee on the Rights of the Child to present an oral report on the work of the Committee and to engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session as a way to enhance communication between the Assembly and the Committee (resolution [78/187](#)).

**(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children**

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly invited the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children to include information relevant to her mandate on the progress achieved in the protection of children from bullying, including cyberbullying, in her report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/201](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report to it, based on evidence, before the end of its seventy-eighth session, on progress towards ending child, early and forced marriage worldwide as well as best practices for programmes aimed at ending the practice and supporting already married girls and women affected by that practice, including girls' and women's empowerment programmes, gaps in funding, research and data collection, using information provided by Member States, United Nations bodies, agencies, funds and programmes, civil society and other relevant stakeholders, and decided to consider the issue of child, early and forced marriage at its seventy-ninth session under the item entitled "Promotion and protection of the rights of children", taking into account the multifaceted and worldwide nature of the issue (resolution [77/202](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child: Supplement No. 41 ([A/79/41](#));
- (b) Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (resolution [78/187](#));
- (c) Annual report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (resolution [78/187](#));
- (d) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children (resolution [78/187](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 64 (a))**

Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child on its eighty-fifth to eighty-ninth sessions: Supplement No. 41 ([A/77/41](#))

Report of the Secretary-General [A/77/282](#)

Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict ([A/77/143](#))

Annual report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children ([A/77/221](#))

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material ([A/77/140](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/77/SR.11–15, 50 and 51](#)

Report of the Third Committee [A/77/459](#)

Plenary meeting [A/77/PV.54](#)

Resolutions [77/201](#) and [77/202](#)

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 67)

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/284</a> and <a href="#">A/78/366</a>
Annual report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children ( <a href="#">A/78/214</a> )	
Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict ( <a href="#">A/78/247</a> )	
Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the sale, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children ( <a href="#">A/78/137</a> )	
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.11–14</a> and <a href="#">55</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/476</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/187</a> and <a href="#">78/188</a>

### (b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children

At its fifty-first session, under the item entitled “Operational activities for development”, the General Assembly decided to convene a special session of the Assembly to review the achievement of the goals of the World Summit for Children, and to consider the arrangements for the special session at its fifty-third session (resolution [51/186](#)).

At its twenty-seventh special session, under the items entitled “Review of the achievements in the implementation and results of the World Declaration on the Survival, Protection and Development of Children and Plan of Action for Implementing the World Declaration on the Survival, Protection and Development of Children in the 1990s” and “Renewal of commitment and future action for children in the next decade”, the Assembly adopted resolution [S-27/2](#), entitled “A world fit for children”. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report regularly on progress made in implementing the Plan of Action included in the annex to the resolution.

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly, under the sub-item entitled “Operational activities for development of the United Nations system” of the item entitled “Operational activities for development”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of the fifty-fifth session the item entitled “Special session of the General Assembly in 2001 for follow-up to the World Summit for Children” (resolution [54/93](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fifth session (resolution [55/26](#)).

At its fifty-fifth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children” (resolution [55/26](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda annually from its fifty-sixth to sixtieth sessions (resolutions [56/222](#), [56/259](#) and [58/282](#)).

At its sixtieth session, the Assembly decided to include the item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children” as a sub-item of the item entitled “Promotion and protection of the rights of children” in the provisional agenda of its sixty-first session (decision [60/537](#)). It had the sub-item on its agenda annually from its sixty-first to seventy-seventh sessions (resolutions [61/272](#) and [62/88](#) (declaration of the commemorative high-level plenary meeting devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children)).

At its seventy-sixth session, under the sub-item entitled “Promotion and protection of the rights of children”, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit, on a biennial basis as from its seventy-seventh session, the report on the follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-seventh special session, to both the Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, focusing on children and the Sustainable Development Goals, in the light of the interrelation between the realization of children’s rights and the successful implementation of the Goals (resolution [76/147](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, the Assembly approved the programme of work of the Third Committee for the seventy-ninth session, which contained the sub-item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children” (decision [78/539](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [S-27/2](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 64 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/309</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/77/459</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.54</a>

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 124)**

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/539</a>

## 68. Rights of Indigenous Peoples

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the general discussion on the item and its sub-items (a) and (b) were made by 36 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.15](#) and [17](#)).

**(a) Rights of Indigenous Peoples**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly decided to continue its consideration of the question at its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Rights of Indigenous Peoples” (resolution [78/189](#)).

**(b) Follow-up to the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly known as the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly decided to maintain in the provisional agenda the sub-item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly known as the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples” (resolution [78/189](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 68 (a) and (b))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of Indigenous Peoples ([A/78/162](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.15</a> , <a href="#">17</a> and <a href="#">48</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/477</a>

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/189</a>

## 69. Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

At its thirtieth session, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to submit to the Assembly annual reports concerning the state of ratifications of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (resolution [3381 \(XXX\)](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion on the item and its sub-items (a) and (b), with the item entitled “Right of peoples to self-determination”, were made by 60 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.40–43](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination: Supplement No. 18 ([A/79/18](#)).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 69)

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on its 107th, 108th and 109th sessions: Supplement No. 18 ([A/78/18](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/78/SR.40–43](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.50](#)

### (a) Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

#### Combating glorification of Nazism, neo-Nazism and other practices that contribute to fuelling contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance to prepare, for submission to it at its seventy-ninth session and to the Human Rights Council at its fifty-sixth session, reports on the implementation of the resolution and decided to remain seized of the issue (resolution [78/190](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Chair-Rapporteur of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of Complementary Standards to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination to present a progress report to it at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/234](#), sect. I).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (resolution [78/190](#)).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 69 (a))

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on combating glorification of Nazism, neo-Nazism and other practices that contribute to fuelling contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance ([A/78/302](#))

Note by the Secretariat transmitting the report of the Group of Independent Eminent Experts on the Implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action on its eighth session ([A/78/385](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.40–43, 47 and 56</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/478</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50 and 50 (Resumption 1)</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/190 and 78/234</a>

### (b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

At its seventy-sixth session, the General Assembly adopted the political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (resolution [76/1](#)).

#### International Decade for People of African Descent

At its sixty-eighth session, the Assembly proclaimed the International Decade for People of African Descent, commencing on 1 January 2015 and ending on 31 December 2024, with the theme “People of African descent: recognition, justice and development”, to be officially launched immediately following the general debate of the sixty-ninth session of the Assembly (resolution [68/237](#)).

At its sixty-ninth session, the Assembly adopted the programme of activities for the implementation of the International Decade for People of African Descent annexed to the resolution and requested the Secretary-General to submit annually a progress report on the implementation of the activities of the Decade (resolution [69/16](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the Human Rights Council, through the Chair of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, to continue to submit a report on the work of the Working Group to the Assembly, and in that regard invited the Chair of the Working Group to engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly under the item entitled “Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance” at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/234](#), sect. II).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [69/16](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent (resolution [78/234](#)).

**A global call for concrete action for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution and to include in that report a section outlining the progress in the implementation of paragraph 18 of its resolution [68/151](#) regarding the revitalization of the trust fund for the purpose of ensuring the successful implementation of the activities of the International Decade for People of African Descent and enhancing the effectiveness of the comprehensive follow-up to the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (resolution [78/234](#), sects. V and VIII).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/234](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (resolution [78/234](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 69 (b))**

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/197](#) and [A/78/317](#)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance ([A/78/538](#))

Notes by the Secretariat:

Permanent Forum on People of African Descent ([A/78/273](#))

Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent ([A/78/277](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/78/SR.40–43](#) and [56](#)

Report of the Third Committee [A/78/478](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.50 \(Resumption 1\)](#)

Resolution [78/234](#)

## **70. Right of peoples to self-determination**

At its twenty-fourth session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled “International Year for Human Rights” and “Implementation of the recommendations of the International Conference on Human Rights”, decided to review at its twenty-fifth session the progress in the implementation of resolution VIII of the International Conference on Human Rights, entitled “Importance of the universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination and of the speedy granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples for the effective guarantee and observance of human rights” (resolution [2588 B \(XXIV\)](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twenty-fifth to forty-fifth sessions (resolutions [2649 \(XXV\)](#), [2787 \(XXVI\)](#), [2955 \(XXVII\)](#), [3070 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3246 \(XXIX\)](#), [3382 \(XXX\)](#), [31/34](#), [32/14](#), [33/24](#), [34/44](#), [35/35 A and B](#), [36/9](#), [36/10](#), [37/42](#), [37/43](#), [38/16](#), [38/17](#), [39/17](#), [39/18](#), [40/24](#), [40/25](#), [41/100 to 41/102](#), [42/94 to 42/96](#), [43/105 to 43/107](#), [44/79 to 44/81](#) and [45/130 to 45/132](#)).

The Assembly has had the item entitled “Right of peoples to self-determination” on its agenda annually since its forty-sixth session (resolutions [46/87](#) to [46/89](#), [47/82](#) to [47/84](#), [48/92](#) to [48/94](#), [49/148](#) to [49/151](#), [50/138](#) to [50/140](#), [51/83](#), [51/84](#), [52/112](#) to [52/114](#), [53/134](#) to [53/136](#), [54/151](#), [54/152](#), [54/155](#), [55/85](#) to [55/87](#), [56/141](#), [56/142](#), [56/232](#), [57/196](#) to [57/198](#), [58/161](#) to [58/163](#), [59/178](#) to [59/180](#), [60/145](#), [60/146](#), [61/150](#) to [61/152](#), [62/144](#) to [62/146](#), [63/163](#) to [63/165](#), [64/149](#) to [64/151](#), [65/201](#) to [65/203](#), [66/145](#) to [66/147](#), [67/157](#) to [67/159](#), [68/152](#) to [68/154](#), [69/163](#) to [69/165](#), [70/141](#) to [70/143](#), [71/182](#) to [71/184](#), [72/158](#) to [72/160](#), [73/158](#) to [73/160](#), [74/138](#), [74/140](#), [75/171](#) to [75/173](#), [76/150](#) to [76/152](#) and [78/191](#) to [78/193](#) and decisions 60/532, 61/528 and 66/536).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance” and its sub-items (a) and (b), were made by 60 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.40–43](#)). The Assembly requested the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination to consult States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations on the implementation of the resolution and to report, with specific recommendations, to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session its findings on the use of mercenaries to undermine the enjoyment of all human rights and to impede the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination. The Assembly decided to consider the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/191](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it on the question of the universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/193](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/193](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination (resolution [78/191](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 70)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/261</a>
Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	<a href="#">(A/78/535)</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.40–43</a> , <a href="#">48</a> , <a href="#">49</a> and <a href="#">56</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/479</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/191</a> , <a href="#">78/192</a> and <a href="#">78/193</a>

**71. Promotion and protection of human rights**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the general discussion on the item and its sub-items (a) to (d) were made by 120 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.24–28](#)).



At the same session, the Assembly welcomed the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the thirtieth anniversary of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action and stressed the importance of all United Nations human rights mechanisms with regard to the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms (resolution [78/194](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 71)**

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.16–39</a> and <a href="#">47</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/481</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/194</a>

#### **(a) Implementation of human rights instruments**

##### **Implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol thereto: situations of risk and humanitarian emergencies**

At its sixty-first session, the General Assembly adopted the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol thereto (resolution [61/106](#), annexes I and II). The Convention and its Optional Protocol entered into force on 3 May 2008.

The Assembly has considered the question periodically since its sixty-second session (resolutions [62/170](#), [63/192](#), [64/154](#), [66/229](#), [67/160](#), [69/142](#), [70/145](#), [72/162](#), [74/144](#), [76/154](#) and [78/195](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the Chair of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities to address and engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly annually, under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights”, as a way to enhance communication between the Assembly and the Committee, requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a progress report on steps taken by the United Nations system towards mainstreaming disability inclusion, including implementation of the United Nations Disability Inclusion Strategy, within existing resources, and also requested him to submit to it at its eightieth session a report on how diverse contexts amplify the barriers faced by persons with disabilities, particularly those subjected to discrimination or whose rights, as outlined by the Convention, are not upheld, including good practices and challenges in the implementation of the Convention in that regard, in consultation with persons with disabilities and their representative organizations, relevant United Nations entities, including the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General on Disability and Accessibility, the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the United Nations Children’s Fund, taking into account the views of relevant stakeholders and using existing available materials, and to include a segment on the status of the Convention and the Optional Protocol thereto (resolution [78/195](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/195](#)).

##### **Report of the Committee against Torture**

In accordance with article 24 of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (resolution [39/46](#), annex), the Committee submits an annual report on its activities to the States parties and to the Assembly.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to transmit to all States the appeals of the Assembly for contributions to the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture and the Special Fund established by the Optional Protocol to the Convention, to include the Funds, on an annual basis, among the programmes for which funds are pledged at the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, and to submit to the Human Rights Council, and to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth, seventy-ninth and eightieth sessions, a report on the operations of the Funds, and encouraged the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Voluntary Fund to continuously raise awareness among States and relevant stakeholders about the overall trends and developments in its operations. The Assembly decided to consider at its seventy-eighth, seventy-ninth and eightieth sessions the reports of the Secretary-General, including the report on the Funds, the report of the Committee, the report of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and the interim report of the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (resolution [77/209](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/209](#)).

### **Human rights treaty body system**

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly invited the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies to address and engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly at its seventy-eighth and seventy-ninth sessions under the item relevant to the work of the treaty body (resolution [77/210](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/210](#)).

### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 68 (a))**

Report of the Human Rights Committee on its 132nd, 133rd and 134th sessions: Supplement No. 40 ([A/77/40](#))

Report of the Committee against Torture on its seventy-first, seventy-second and seventy-third sessions: Supplement No. 44 ([A/77/44](#))

Report of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families on its thirty-third and thirty-fourth sessions: Supplement No. 48 ([A/77/48](#))

Report of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances on its twenty-first and twenty-second sessions: Supplement No. 56 ([A/77/56](#))

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/77/230](#), [A/77/231](#), [A/77/279](#) and [A/77/344](#)

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting:

Report of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies on their thirty-fourth annual meeting ([A/77/228](#))

Interim report of the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment ([A/77/502](#))

Note by the Secretariat on the Special Fund established by the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment ([A/77/289](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/77/SR.17–38](#), [47](#) and [54](#)

Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/77/463/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.54</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">77/209</a> and <a href="#">77/210</a>

### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 71 (a))**

Report of the Human Rights Committee on its 135th, 136th and 137th sessions: Supplement No. 40 ([A/78/40](#))

Report of the Committee against Torture on its seventy-fourth, seventy-fifth and seventy-sixth sessions: Supplement No. 44 ([A/78/44](#))

Report of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families on its thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth sessions: Supplement No. 48 ([A/78/48](#))

Report of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on its twenty-fourth, twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh sessions: Supplement No. 55 ([A/78/55](#))

Report of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances on its twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions: Supplement No. 56 ([A/78/56](#))

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/263](#), [A/78/271](#) and [A/78/281](#)

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting:

Interim report of the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment ([A/78/324](#))

Report of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies on their thirty-fifth annual meeting ([A/78/354](#))

Note by the Secretariat on the Special Fund established by the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment ([A/78/240](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/78/SR.16–39](#) and [51](#)

Report of the Third Committee [A/78/481/Add.1](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.50](#)

Resolution [78/195](#)

### **(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms**

#### **International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance**

At its sixty-first session, the General Assembly adopted and opened for signature, ratification and accession the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (resolution [61/177](#), annex). The Convention entered into force on 23 December 2010.

In accordance with article 36 of the Convention, the Committee on Enforced Disappearances submits an annual report on its activities under the Convention to the Assembly.

The Assembly has considered the question annually since its sixty-third session; proposals thereon were adopted annually at its sixty-third to seventieth sessions and have been adopted biennially since then (resolutions [63/186](#), [64/167](#), [65/209](#), [66/160](#), [67/180](#), [68/166](#), [69/169](#), [70/160](#), [72/183](#), [74/161](#), [76/158](#) and [78/207](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the Chair of the Committee and the Chair of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances to address and engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly at its seventy-ninth and eightieth sessions under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights”, requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly at its eightieth session a report on the status of the Convention and the implementation of the resolution, and decided to give its full consideration to the subject matter at its eightieth session (resolution [78/207](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances: Supplement No. 56 ([A/79/56](#)).

### **Combating intolerance, negative stereotyping, stigmatization, discrimination, incitement to violence and violence against persons, based on religion or belief**

The Assembly has considered the question annually since its sixtieth session (resolutions [60/150](#), [61/164](#), [62/154](#), [63/171](#), [64/156](#), [65/224](#), [66/167](#), [67/178](#), [68/169](#), [69/174](#), [70/157](#), [71/195](#), [72/176](#), [73/164](#), [74/164](#), [75/187](#), [76/157](#), [77/225](#) and [78/214](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report that included information provided by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on steps taken by States to combat intolerance, negative stereotyping, stigmatization, discrimination, incitement to violence and violence against persons, based on religion or belief, as set forth in the resolution (resolution [78/214](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/214](#)).

### **Effective promotion of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities**

At its forty-seventh session, the Assembly adopted the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities (resolution [47/135](#), annex).

The Assembly has considered and adopted proposals on the question annually from its forty-seventh to fifty-second sessions, biennially from its fifty-fourth to sixty-second sessions, at its sixty-third session, and again biennially since its sixty-sixth session (resolutions [47/135](#), [48/138](#), [49/192](#), [50/180](#), [51/91](#), [52/123](#), [54/162](#), [56/162](#), [58/182](#), [60/160](#), [63/174](#), [66/166](#), [68/172](#), [70/166](#), [72/184](#), [74/165](#), [76/168](#) and [78/211](#) and decision 62/532). At its sixty-sixth session, the Assembly invited the Independent Expert on minority issues to report annually to it (resolution [66/166](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on minority issues to report annually to the Assembly and include recommendations for effective strategies for the better implementation of the rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities and decided to continue consideration of the question at its eightieth session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [78/211](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on minority issues (resolution [78/211](#)).

### **Extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions**

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions to submit to it, at its seventy-ninth session, a report on the situation worldwide with regard to extrajudicial, summary or

arbitrary executions and recommendations for more effective action to combat this phenomenon, and decided to continue its consideration of the question at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/218](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions (resolution [77/218](#)).

### **Human rights and extreme poverty**

At its fifty-third session, the Human Rights Council decided to extend, for a period of three years, the mandate of its Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit an annual report to the Assembly and to the Council (Human Rights Council resolution [53/10](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to consider the question further at its seventy-ninth session, under the sub-item entitled “Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms” of the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [77/223](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights (resolution [77/223](#)).

### **Human rights in the administration of justice**

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on the latest developments, challenges and good practices in human rights in the administration of justice, including on the application of digital technologies in the administration of justice, and on the activities undertaken by the United Nations system as a whole, and decided to continue its consideration of the question of human rights in the administration of justice at its seventy-ninth session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [77/219](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/219](#)).

### **Promotion of peace as a vital requirement for the full enjoyment of all human rights by all**

The Assembly has considered the question periodically since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [57/216](#), [58/192](#), [60/163](#), [62/163](#), [65/222](#), [67/173](#), [69/176](#), [73/170](#), [75/177](#) and [77/216](#)). At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to continue its consideration of the question at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/216](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

### **The right to development**

The Assembly has considered this question annually since its forty-first session, at which it adopted the Declaration on the Right to Development (resolutions [41/128](#), [42/117](#), [43/127](#), [44/62](#), [45/97](#), [46/123](#), [47/123](#), [48/130](#), [49/183](#), [50/184](#), [51/99](#), [52/136](#), [53/155](#), [54/175](#), [55/108](#), [56/150](#), [57/223](#), [58/172](#), [59/185](#), [60/157](#), [61/169](#), [62/161](#), [63/178](#), [64/172](#), [65/219](#), [66/155](#), [67/171](#), [68/158](#), [69/181](#), [70/155](#), [71/192](#), [72/167](#), [73/166](#), [74/152](#), [75/182](#), [76/163](#), [77/212](#) and [78/203](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its seventy-ninth session and an interim report to the Human Rights Council on the implementation of the resolution, including on efforts undertaken at the national, regional and international levels in the promotion and realization of the right to development, taking into account the context of the response to and the recovery from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic and the reform of the international financial architecture, and invited the Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on the Right to Development and the Special Rapporteur on the right to development to present an oral report with a similar scope and to engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/203](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/203](#)).

### **Protection of migrants**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly invited the Chair of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families to present an oral report on the work of the Committee and to engage in an interactive dialogue with the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session, as a way to enhance communication between the Assembly and the Committee, and invited the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants to submit his report to the Assembly and to engage in an interactive dialogue at its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights”. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it and to the Human Rights Council at their eightieth and sixty-first sessions, respectively, a comprehensive report entitled “Human rights of migrants”, covering all aspects of the implementation of the resolution, and decided to remain seized of the matter (resolution [78/217](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants (resolution [78/217](#)).

### **Missing persons**

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to seek further the views of Member States and relevant agencies and to submit to the Human Rights Council at its relevant session and to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a comprehensive report on the implementation of the resolution, including relevant practical recommendations, invited the President of the General Assembly to convene an informal biennial meeting of the Assembly, from the seventy-ninth session onward, and requested the Secretary-General to brief the Assembly during such meetings on the comprehensive report on the implementation of the resolution, to be followed by a dialogue, and decided to consider the question at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/220](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/220](#)).

### **The right to privacy in the digital age**

At its twenty-eighth session, the Human Rights Council decided to appoint, for a period of three years, a special rapporteur on the right to privacy, whose tasks would include submitting an annual report to the Council and to the Assembly, starting at the thirty-first session and the seventy-first session respectively (Human Rights Council resolution [28/16](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to continue its consideration of the question at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/211](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy (Human Rights Council resolution [28/16](#)).

### **Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism**

At its seventy-second session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism to continue to report and engage in interactive dialogues on an annual basis with the Assembly and the Human Rights Council in accordance with their programmes of work (resolution [72/180](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (resolution [72/180](#)).

### **Freedom of religion or belief**

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly decided to designate 22 August as the International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief and requested the Secretary-General to bring the resolution to the attention of all Member States, the organizations of the United Nations system and civil society organizations for appropriate observance (resolution [73/296](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief to submit an interim report to it at its seventy-ninth session and decided to consider the question of the elimination of all forms of religious intolerance at that session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [78/212](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief (resolution [78/212](#)).

### **Human rights and unilateral coercive measures**

The Assembly has considered this question annually since its fifty-first session (resolutions [51/103](#), [52/120](#), [53/141](#), [54/172](#), [55/110](#), [56/148](#), [57/222](#), [58/171](#), [59/188](#), [60/155](#), [61/170](#), [62/162](#), [63/179](#), [64/170](#), [65/217](#), [66/156](#), [67/170](#), [68/162](#), [69/180](#), [70/151](#), [71/193](#), [72/168](#), [73/167](#), [74/154](#), [75/181](#), [76/161](#), [77/214](#) and [78/202](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution and on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the full enjoyment of human rights, including in the context of the response to and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, and to include in her report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session more information on the process regarding the discussions of her proposals at the Human Rights Council. The Assembly decided to examine the question on a priority basis at its seventy-ninth session under the sub-item entitled “Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms” of the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [78/202](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights (resolution [78/202](#)).

### **Moratorium on the use of the death penalty**

At its sixty-second session, the Assembly adopted resolution [62/149](#), entitled “Moratorium on the use of the death penalty”. The Assembly has considered this question biennially since its sixty-third session (resolutions [63/168](#), [65/206](#), [67/176](#), [69/186](#), [71/187](#), [73/175](#), [75/183](#) and [77/222](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution and decided to continue consideration of the matter at that session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [77/222](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/222](#)).

### **Protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons**

The Assembly has considered this question biennially since its fiftieth session (resolutions [50/195](#), [52/130](#), [54/167](#), [56/164](#), [58/177](#), [60/168](#), [62/153](#), [64/162](#), [66/165](#), [68/180](#), [70/165](#), [72/182](#), [74/160](#), [76/167](#) and [78/205](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons to submit to it at its seventy-ninth and eightieth sessions a report on the implementation of the resolution and decided to continue its consideration of the question of protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons at its eightieth session (resolution [78/205](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons (resolution [78/205](#)).

### **Promotion of a democratic and equitable international order**

The Assembly considered this question at its fifty-fifth and fifty-sixth sessions, biennially at its fifty-seventh to sixty-third sessions and annually thereafter (resolutions [55/107](#), [56/151](#), [57/213](#), [59/193](#), [61/160](#), [63/189](#), [64/157](#), [65/223](#), [66/159](#), [67/175](#), [68/175](#), [69/178](#), [70/149](#), [71/190](#), [72/172](#), [73/169](#), [74/150](#), [75/178](#), [76/165](#), [77/215](#) and [78/196](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution, with a focus on the contributions of the reform of the international financial architecture on building a democratic and equitable international order, and decided to continue consideration of the matter at its seventy-ninth session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [78/196](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order (resolution [78/196](#)).

### **The right to food**

The Assembly has considered this question annually since its fifty-sixth session (resolutions [56/155](#), [57/226](#), [58/186](#), [59/202](#), [60/165](#), [61/163](#), [62/164](#), [63/187](#), [64/159](#), [65/220](#), [66/158](#), [67/174](#), [68/177](#), [69/177](#), [70/154](#), [71/191](#), [72/173](#), [73/171](#), [74/149](#), [75/179](#), [76/166](#), [77/217](#) and [78/198](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on the right to food to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session an interim report on the implementation of the resolution and to continue his work, including by examining



the emerging issues with regard to the realization of the right to food that are within his mandate, including in the context of the international financial architecture, while taking into consideration relevant legal frameworks, and decided to continue the consideration of the question at its seventy-ninth session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [78/198](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to food (resolution [78/198](#)).

### **Enhancement of international cooperation in the field of human rights**

The Assembly has considered this question annually since its fifty-first session (resolutions [51/100](#), [52/134](#), [53/154](#), [54/181](#), [55/109](#), [56/149](#), [57/224](#), [58/170](#), [59/187](#), [60/156](#), [61/168](#), [62/160](#), [63/180](#), [64/171](#), [65/218](#), [66/152](#), [67/169](#), [68/160](#), [69/179](#), [70/153](#), [71/194](#), [72/169](#), [73/168](#), [74/153](#), [75/180](#), [76/159](#), [77/213](#) and [78/199](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to continue its consideration of the question at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/199](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

### **The role of Ombudsman and mediator institutions in the promotion and protection of human rights, good governance and the rule of law**

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution, in particular on the obstacles encountered by Member States in that regard, and on best practices in the work and functioning of Ombudsman and mediator institutions, as well as on solutions to promote the role and work of Ombudsman and mediator institutions in the promotion and protection of human rights, good governance and the rule of law (resolution [77/224](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/224](#)).

### **Implementing the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms through providing a safe and enabling environment for human rights defenders and ensuring their protection**

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly held a high-level plenary meeting devoted to the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, with a view to giving impetus to its promotion in all regions (resolution [72/247](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders to continue to report annually on her activities to the Assembly and the Human Rights Council, in accordance with the mandate, and decided to remain seized of the matter (resolution [78/216](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders (resolution [78/216](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 71 (b))**

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/182](#), [A/78/241](#), [A/78/242](#),  
[A/78/260](#), [A/78/269](#), [A/78/270](#),  
[A/78/272](#), [A/78/298](#), [A/78/306](#),  
[A/78/311](#), [A/78/347](#) and [A/78/518](#)

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting:

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders ([A/78/131](#))

Report of the Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises ([A/78/155](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to development ([A/78/160](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences ([A/78/161](#))

Report of the Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights by persons with albinism ([A/78/167](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment ([A/78/168](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes ([A/78/169](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers ([A/78/171](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children ([A/78/172](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their family members ([A/78/173](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities ([A/78/174](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights ([A/78/175](#))

Report of the Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity ([A/78/176](#))

Report of the Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights ([A/78/179](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants ([A/78/180](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence ([A/78/181](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health ([A/78/185](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context ([A/78/192](#))

- Report of the Special Rapporteur on minority issues ([A/78/195](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights ([A/78/196](#))
- Interim report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to food ([A/78/202](#))
- Interim report of the Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief ([A/78/207](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights ([A/78/213](#))
- Report of the Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons ([A/78/226](#))
- Report of the Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity ([A/78/227](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons ([A/78/245](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association ([A/78/246](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation ([A/78/253](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions ([A/78/254](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights in the context of climate change ([A/78/255](#))
- Report of the Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order ([A/78/262](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression ([A/78/288](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy ([A/78/310](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education ([A/78/364](#))
- Report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism ([A/78/520](#))

Notes by the Secretariat:

- Right to development ([A/78/125](#))
- Cooperation with the United Nations, its representatives and mechanisms in the field of human rights ([A/78/136](#))
- Promotion and protection of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of Africans and of people of African descent against excessive use of force and other human rights violations by law enforcement officers through transformative change for racial justice and equality ([A/78/166](#))
- Protection of migrants ([A/78/203](#))
- Annual report of the Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development ([A/78/243](#))
- Prevention of genocide ([A/78/282](#))
- Report of the International Independent Expert Mechanism to Advance Racial Justice and Equality in Law Enforcement ([A/78/289](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.16–39, 48–52 and 56</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/481/Add.2</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/656</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50 and 50 (Resumption 1)</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/196 to 78/217 and 78/235</a>

**(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives**

**Situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly decided to continue its examination of the situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea at its seventy-ninth session, and to that end requested the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea and requested the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea to continue to report her findings and recommendations, as well as to report on the follow-up to the implementation of the recommendations of the commission of inquiry on human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (resolution [78/218](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/218](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (resolution [78/218](#)).

**Situation of human rights of Rohingya Muslims and other minorities in Myanmar**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit the report of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General on Myanmar covering all relevant issues addressed in the resolution to it at its seventy-ninth session and to support the implementation of the 2018 recommendations of the independent international fact-finding mission on Myanmar and assist the work of the ongoing Independent Mechanism for Myanmar, including by facilitating a dialogue between the Assembly and the Mechanism during the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly. The Assembly requested that the Special Envoy participate by way of an interactive dialogue in the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly. The Assembly decided to remain seized of the matter, inter alia, on the basis of the reports of the Secretary-General, the fact-finding mission, the Independent Mechanism, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar and the Special Envoy (resolution [78/219](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/219](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar (resolution [78/219](#));
- (c) Note by the Secretariat on the report of the Independent Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar (resolution [78/219](#)).

**Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the progress made in the implementation of the

resolution, including options and recommendations to improve its implementation, and to submit an interim report to the Human Rights Council at its fifty-sixth session, and decided to continue its examination of the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran at its seventy-ninth session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [78/220](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/220](#)).

### **Situation of human rights in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine, including the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the progress made in the implementation of all provisions of the resolution, including options and recommendations to improve its implementation and to submit for consideration an interim report to the Human Rights Council at its fifty-sixth session, to be followed by an interactive dialogue, in accordance with Council resolution [53/30](#), and decided to continue its consideration of the matter at its seventy-ninth session under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights” (resolution [78/221](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/221](#)).

### **Situation of human rights in the Syrian Arab Republic**

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Persons Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011 to submit an annual report to the Assembly, starting at its eightieth session, on the implementation of its mandate while preserving the confidential nature of its substantive work, in time for the annual presentation of the report by the Head of the Mechanism in April at a plenary meeting of the Assembly under the agenda item entitled “Prevention of armed conflict”. The Assembly urgently requested the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic to present its latest reporting to the Assembly during an interactive dialogue at its seventy-ninth session on the situation of human rights in the Syrian Arab Republic (resolution [78/222](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Persons Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011 (resolution [78/222](#));
- (b) Note by the Secretariat on the reports of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic (resolution [78/222](#)).

### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 71 (c))**

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/212](#), [A/78/278](#), [A/78/340](#) and [A/78/511](#)

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting:

Report of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel ([A/78/198](#))

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Myanmar since 1 February 2021 ([A/78/316](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran ([A/78/326](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Belarus ([A/78/327](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan ([A/78/338](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea ([A/78/526](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar ([A/78/527](#))

Report of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on Ukraine ([A/78/540](#))

Situation of human rights in the Central African Republic ([A/78/541](#))

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 ([A/78/545](#))

Notes by the Secretariat:

Situation of human rights in Burundi ([A/78/204](#))

Situation of human rights in Ethiopia ([A/78/223](#))

Situation of human rights in Eritrea ([A/78/244](#))

Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic ([A/78/297](#))

Independent Investigative Mechanism for Myanmar ([A/78/299](#))

Situation of human rights in Somalia ([A/78/358](#))

Situation of human rights in the Russian Federation ([A/78/375](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/78/SR.16–39, 53 and 54](#)

Report of the Third Committee [A/78/481/Add.3](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.50](#)

Resolutions [78/218 to 78/222](#)

**(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action**

At its forty-eighth session, the General Assembly endorsed the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action, adopted by the World Conference on Human Rights in June 1993, and requested the Secretary-General to report annually to the Assembly on the measures taken and the progress achieved in the implementation of the recommendations of the Conference (resolution [48/121](#)).

The Assembly has had the sub-item on its agenda annually since its forty-ninth session (resolutions [49/208](#), [50/201](#), [51/118](#), [52/148](#) and [53/166](#) and decisions [54/435](#), [55/422](#), [56/403](#), [57/535](#), [58/540](#), [59/529](#), [60/534](#), [61/530](#), [62/533](#), [63/535](#), [64/537](#), [65/537](#), [66/538](#), [67/538](#), [68/535](#), [69/535](#), [70/534](#), [71/536](#), [72/534](#), [73/526](#), [74/518](#), [75/538](#), [76/535](#), [77/542](#) and [78/537](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 71 (d))**

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: Supplement No. 36 ([A/78/36](#))

Summary records [A/C.3/78/SR.16–39](#)

Report of the Third Committee [A/78/481/Add.4](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.50](#)

Decision [78/537](#)

**E. Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts****72. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance**

At its forty-eighth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields”, decided that the following questions were to be considered in the plenary of the Assembly as sub-items of an item entitled “Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance”: (a) strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations; (b) special economic assistance to individual countries or regions; (c) strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster; and (d) international cooperation to mitigate the environmental consequences on Kuwait and other countries in the region resulting from the situation between Iraq and Kuwait (resolution [48/162](#), annex II, sect. F). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its forty-ninth session (resolutions [52/167](#), [53/87](#), [54/192](#), [54/233](#), [55/175](#), [56/217](#), [57/155](#), [58/122](#), [59/211](#), [59/279](#), [60/13](#), [60/15](#), [60/123](#), [61/133](#), [62/95](#), [63/138](#), [64/294](#), [65/132](#), [66/117](#), [66/120](#), [67/84](#), [67/85](#), [68/101](#), [69/133](#), [69/134](#), [70/104](#), [70/105](#) and [71/129](#) and decision [61/543](#)).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided that the sub-item entitled “Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions” would be allocated for annual consideration in the Second Committee (resolution [58/316](#)). This was modified at its sixty-first session, at which the Assembly, under the item entitled “Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations”, decided that the sub-items of its agenda related to the strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations considered by the Second Committee would be reallocated to its plenary as of its sixty-second session (resolution [61/134](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with its three sub-items, where statements were made by 38 delegations (see [A/78/PV.46](#) and [47](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 72)**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/86</a> and <a href="#">A/78/369</a>
Note by the Secretariat	<a href="#">A/78/632</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.46</a> and <a href="#">47</a> (jointly with sub-items (a) to (c))

**(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations**

The item entitled “Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations” was included in the agenda of the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of the Netherlands on behalf of the States members of the European Community ([A/46/194](#)). At that session, the Assembly adopted guiding principles and a framework for strengthening the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations system, in which an annual report of the Secretary-General was requested on the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance, including information on the central emergency revolving fund, to be submitted to the Assembly through the Economic and Social Council (resolution [46/182](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-seventh and forty-eighth sessions (resolutions [47/168](#) and [48/57](#)). Pursuant to resolution [48/162](#) (annex II, sect. F), the title of the sub-item was changed to “Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations”. The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its forty-ninth session (resolutions [49/139 A and B](#), [50/57](#), [51/194](#), [52/168](#), [53/88](#), [54/30](#), [54/95](#), [55/163](#), [55/164](#), [56/99](#), [56/103](#), [56/107](#), [57/150](#), [57/152](#), [57/153](#), [58/25](#), [58/114](#), [59/137](#), [59/141](#), [59/212](#), [60/124](#), [60/125](#), [60/225](#), [61/131](#), [61/132](#), [61/134](#), [62/91](#), [62/92](#), [62/94](#), [63/137](#), [63/139](#), [63/141](#), [64/74](#) to [64/77](#), [64/250](#), [64/251](#), [65/133](#), [65/135](#), [65/136](#), [65/264](#), [65/307](#), [66/9](#), [66/119](#), [66/227](#), [67/87](#), [67/231](#), [68/102](#), [68/103](#), [69/135](#), [69/243](#), [70/106](#), [70/107](#), [71/127](#), [71/128](#), [72/131](#) to [72/133](#), [73/136](#) to [73/139](#), [74/115](#), [74/116](#), [74/118](#), [75/124](#), [75/125](#), [75/127](#), [75/275](#), [76/124](#), [76/125](#), [76/127](#), [76/128](#), [77/1](#), [77/28](#), [77/29](#), [77/31](#) and [78/118](#) to [78/120](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly invited the Secretary-General, on the basis of the work experience acquired by the White Helmets in the international field, as recognized in various resolutions of the Assembly, and in view of the success of coordinated actions carried out with, inter alia, the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, the World Health Organization, the Pan American Health Organization, the World Food Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Volunteers, to suggest measures to enhance the collaboration of the White Helmets initiative with the United Nations system and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session in a separate section of the annual report on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (resolution [76/125](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue the collection and analysis of data to report on road incidents, including civilian casualties resulting from road accidents. It also requested the Secretary-General to enhance further collaborative initiatives to address the security needs of implementing partners, including through enhanced information-sharing, assistance in emergency situations, when feasible, and, where appropriate, security training; invited Member States to consider increasing support to those initiatives; and requested the Secretary-General to report on steps taken in that regard. It further



requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a comprehensive and updated report on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel and on the implementation of the resolution, including an assessment of the impact of safety and security risks on such personnel, and the development, implementation and outcomes of policies, strategies and initiatives of the United Nations system in the field of safety and security (resolution [78/118](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to address further the insufficient diversity in geographical representation and gender balance in the composition of the humanitarian staff of the Secretariat and other United Nations humanitarian agencies, in particular regarding professional and high-level staff, and to report on concrete measures taken in this regard in his annual report; requested the Secretary-General to report on actions taken to enable the United Nations to continue to strengthen its ability to recruit and deploy staff quickly, effectively and flexibly, to procure emergency relief materials and services rapidly, cost-effectively and locally, where applicable, and to quickly disburse funds in order to support Governments and United Nations country teams in the coordination of international humanitarian assistance; and requested the Secretary-General to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session, through the Economic and Social Council at its 2024 session, on progress made in strengthening the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, and to submit a report to the Assembly on the detailed use of the Central Emergency Response Fund (resolution [78/119](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to improve the international response to natural disasters and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session and to include in his report recommendations on how to ensure that humanitarian assistance is provided in ways supportive of the transition from relief to development (resolution [78/120](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [46/182](#), [76/125](#) and [78/118](#) to [78/120](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 72 (a))**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/73</a> , <a href="#">A/78/360</a> and <a href="#">A/78/365</a>
Draft resolutions	<a href="#">A/78/L.17</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.20</a> and <a href="#">A/78/L.21</a>
Draft amendments	<a href="#">A/78/L.18</a> and <a href="#">A/78/L.19</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.46</a> and <a href="#">47</a> (jointly with item 72 and sub-items (b) and (c))
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/118</a> to <a href="#">78/120</a>

#### **(b) Assistance to the Palestinian people**

At its fiftieth session, the General Assembly, under the sub-item entitled “Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session, under the item entitled “Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance”, the sub-item entitled “Assistance to the Palestinian people” (resolution [50/58 H](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-first session (resolutions [51/150](#), [52/170](#), [53/89](#), [54/116](#), [55/173](#), [56/111](#), [57/147](#), [58/113](#), [59/56](#), [60/126](#), [61/135](#), [62/93](#), [63/140](#), [64/125](#), [65/134](#), [66/118](#), [67/86](#), [68/100](#), [69/242](#), [70/108](#), [71/126](#), [72/134](#), [73/256](#), [74/117](#), [75/126](#), [76/126](#), [77/30](#) and [78/121](#) and decision [53/424](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its seventy-ninth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the implementation of the resolution, containing an assessment of the assistance actually received by the Palestinian people and an assessment of the needs still unmet and specific proposals for responding effectively to them (resolution [78/121](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/121](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 72 (b))**

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/78/L.22</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.46</a> and <a href="#">47</a> (jointly with item 72 and sub-items (a) and (c))
Resolution	<a href="#">78/121</a>

#### **(c) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions**

At its forty-eighth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields”, decided to consider the sub-item entitled “Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions” under the item entitled “Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance” (resolution [48/162](#), annex II, sect. F). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-ninth to sixty-third sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-fifth session (resolutions [49/21 A](#) to [P](#), [50/58 A](#) to [L](#), [50/244](#), [51/30 A](#) to [J](#), [52/169 A](#) to [M](#), [53/1 A](#) to [O](#), [54/96 A](#) to [M](#), [55/44](#), [55/45](#), [55/165](#) to [55/172](#), [55/176](#), [55/240](#), [55/241](#), [56/10](#), [56/11](#), [56/100](#), [56/101](#), [56/104](#) to [56/106](#), [56/108](#), [56/110](#), [56/112](#), [57/101](#) to [57/105](#), [57/146](#), [57/148](#), [57/149](#), [57/151](#), [57/154](#), [58/24](#), [58/26](#), [58/115](#) to [58/117](#), [58/120](#), [58/121](#), [58/123](#), [59/214](#) to [59/219](#), [60/216](#) to [60/220](#), [61/217](#) to [61/219](#), [63/20](#), [63/136](#), [63/279](#), [69/280](#) and [71/161 A](#) and [B](#) and decisions [51/431](#), [51/451](#) and [53/415](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 72 (c))**

Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.46</a> and <a href="#">47</a> (jointly with item 72 and sub-items (a) and (b))
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## **F. Promotion of justice and international law**

### **73. Report of the International Court of Justice**

The item entitled “Report of the International Court of Justice” was included in the agenda of the twenty-third session of the General Assembly at the request of the Secretary-General ([A/7181](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twenty-third to twenty-ninth sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-first session in accordance with Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Charter (resolution [77/276](#), decisions adopted at the twenty-third to twenty-ninth sessions and decisions [31/418](#), [32/422](#), [33/428](#), [34/443](#), [35/435](#), [36/439](#), [37/436](#), [38/411](#), [39/414](#), [40/406](#), [41/411](#), [42/405](#), [43/405](#), [44/405](#), [45/405](#), [46/405](#), [47/405](#), [47/406](#), [48/404](#), [49/404](#), [50/404](#), [51/405](#), [52/405](#), [53/412](#), [54/411](#), [55/407](#), [56/407](#), [57/510](#), [58/510](#), [59/508](#), [60/507](#), [61/507](#), [62/509](#), [63/508](#), [64/508](#), [65/508](#), [66/507](#), [67/510](#), [68/511](#), [69/510](#), [70/510](#), [71/509](#), [72/509](#), [73/507](#), [74/505](#), [75/508](#), [76/510](#), [77/510](#) and [78/507](#)).

The report of the Court is included in the provisional agenda of the Assembly pursuant to rule 13 (b) of the rules of procedure.

Pursuant to paragraph 16 of the revised terms of reference, guidelines and rules of the Secretary-General's trust fund to assist States in the settlement of disputes through the International Court of Justice ([A/59/372](#), annex), an annual report on the activities of the fund is made to the Assembly.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President of the Assembly, the President of the Court and 65 delegations (see [A/78/PV.20, 27](#) and [28](#)). The Assembly took note of the report of the Court (decision 78/507).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the International Court of Justice: Supplement No. 4 ([A/79/4](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General's trust fund to assist States in the settlement of disputes through the International Court of Justice ([A/59/372](#), annex).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 73)**

Report of the International Court of Justice: Supplement No. 4 ([A/78/4](#))

Report of the Secretary-General [A/78/194](#)

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.20, 27](#) and [28](#)

Decision [78/507](#)

## **74. Report of the International Criminal Court**

At its forty-ninth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-sixth session", decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session an item entitled "Establishment of an international criminal court" (resolution [49/53](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fiftieth to fifty-third sessions (resolutions [50/46](#), [51/207](#), [52/160](#) and [53/105](#)).

Following the diplomatic conference of plenipotentiaries that was held pursuant to Assembly resolution [51/207](#) and adopted the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court ([A/CONF.183/9](#)) and resolution F of the Final Act of the Conference ([A/CONF.183/10](#)), by which the Preparatory Commission for the International Criminal Court was established, the Assembly, at its fifty-third session, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session an item entitled "Establishment of the International Criminal Court" (resolution [53/105](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fourth to fifty-seventh sessions (resolutions [54/105](#), [55/155](#), [56/85](#) and [57/23](#)). Following the entry into force of the Rome Statute, the Assembly, at its fifty-seventh session, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-eighth session an item entitled "International Criminal Court" (resolution [57/23](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-eighth and fifty-ninth sessions (resolutions [58/79](#), [58/318](#) and [59/43](#)).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly approved the draft Relationship Agreement between the United Nations and the International Criminal Court ([A/58/874](#), annex), under which the Court may attend and participate in the work of the Assembly in the capacity of observer (art. 4, para. 2) and, if it deems it appropriate, submit reports on its activities to the United Nations through the Secretary-General (art. 6), and decided to apply the Relationship Agreement provisionally pending its formal entry into force (resolution [58/318](#)).

At its fifty-ninth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixtieth session an item entitled “Report of the International Criminal Court” (resolution 59/43). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixtieth session (resolutions 60/29, 61/15, 62/12, 63/21, 64/9, 65/12, 66/262, 67/295, 68/305, 69/279, 70/264, 71/253, 72/3, 73/7, 74/6, 75/3, 76/5, 77/6 and 78/6).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President of the Assembly, the President of the Court and 57 delegations (see A/78/PV.21, 22 and 25). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to include information relevant to the implementation of article 3 of the Relationship Agreement in a report to be submitted to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session; emphasized the need for the Secretary-General to continue to inform the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session of the expenses incurred and reimbursements received by the United Nations in connection with assistance provided to the Court; and invited the Court to submit, if it deemed it appropriate, in accordance with article 6 of the Relationship Agreement, a report on its activities for 2023/24, for consideration by the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution 78/6).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/6);
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the International Criminal Court (resolutions 58/318 and 78/6).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 74)**

Reports of the Secretary-General	A/78/320 and A/78/321
Note by the Secretary-General	A/78/322
Draft resolution	A/78/L.6
Plenary meetings	A/78/PV.21, 22 and 25
Resolution	78/6

## **75. Oceans and the law of the sea**

The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea entered into force on 16 November 1994. The Agreement relating to the implementation of part XI of the Convention entered into force on 28 July 1996. The Agreement is to be interpreted and applied together with the Convention as a single instrument.

### **(a) Oceans and the law of the sea**

At its thirty-eighth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea: report of the Secretary-General”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-ninth session an item entitled “Law of the sea” (resolution 38/59 A). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-ninth to fifty-first sessions (resolutions 39/73, 40/63, 41/34, 42/20, 43/18, 44/26, 45/145, 46/78, 47/65, 48/28, 48/263, 49/28, 50/23 and 51/34). At its fifty-first session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-second session an item entitled “Oceans and the law of the sea” (resolution 51/34). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-second session (resolutions 52/26, 52/251, 53/32, 54/31, 55/7, 56/12, 57/33, 57/141, 58/240, 59/24, 60/30, 61/222, 62/215, 63/111, 64/71, 65/37 A and B, 66/231, 67/5, 67/78, 68/70, 69/245, 69/292, 70/226, 70/235, 70/303, 71/124, 71/257, 71/312 (“Our ocean, our future: call for action”), 72/73, 72/249, 73/124, 73/292, 74/19, 75/239, 76/72, 76/296

(“Our ocean, our future, our responsibility”), [77/5](#), [77/242](#), [77/248](#), [77/321](#), [78/69](#) and [78/128](#) and decisions [57/523](#), [65/545](#), [67/522](#), [71/548](#), [71/552 A and B](#), [74/543](#), [74/548](#), [74/554](#), [75/570](#), [75/578](#), [76/559 A and B](#), [76/564](#), [77/531 A and B](#), [77/556](#) and [77/566](#)).

At its forty-ninth session, the Assembly decided to undertake an annual review and evaluation of the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and other relevant developments, and requested the Secretary-General to report annually to the Assembly as from its fiftieth session (resolution [49/28](#)).

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to establish an open-ended informal consultative process (“Informal Consultative Process”) in order to facilitate the annual review by the Assembly of developments in ocean affairs by considering the Secretary-General’s report on oceans and the law of the sea and by suggesting particular issues to be considered by it, with an emphasis on identifying areas where coordination and cooperation at the intergovernmental and inter-agency levels should be enhanced, and decided that the meetings would be coordinated by two co-chairpersons, who would be appointed by the President of the Assembly in consultation with Member States and taking into account the need for representation from developed and developing countries (resolution [54/33](#)).

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to establish by 2004 a regular process under the United Nations for the global reporting and assessment of the state of the marine environment, including socioeconomic aspects, both current and foreseeable, building on existing regional assessments (“Regular Process”) (resolution [57/141](#)).

Following its establishment of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole at its sixty-third session to recommend a course of action to the Assembly (resolution [63/111](#)), the Assembly, at its sixty-fifth session, decided that the Regular Process would be overseen and guided by an Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of the Assembly, composed of Member States; and decided that the meetings of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole would be coordinated by two co-chairs representing developing and developed countries, who would be appointed by the President of the Assembly in consultation with regional groups (resolution [65/37 A](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “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”, decided to convene the high-level 2025 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development, in France, in June 2025, to support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14 (resolution [77/242](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with sub-items entitled “Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments” and “Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction”, where statements were made by the President and 39 delegations (see [A/78/PV.43](#) and [44](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly invited the Secretary-General to continue to inform the Assembly on the implementation of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development through his report on oceans and the law of the sea, on the basis of information to be provided by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission; requested the Secretary-General to convene, in 2024, up to two meetings

of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of no more than two days of total duration each; requested the Secretary-General to convene, in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 of resolution [54/33](#), the twenty-fourth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process, in New York for eight meetings during the week of 18 to 21 June 2024; requested the Secretary-General to provide support for the convening of a twenty-fifth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process for eight meetings in 2025, in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 of resolution [54/33](#); and requested the Secretary-General to prepare reports for consideration by the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session, namely a report on developments and issues relating to ocean affairs and the law of the sea, including the implementation of resolution [78/69](#), in accordance with resolutions [49/28](#), [52/26](#) and [54/33](#), and a report on the theme that is the focus of the twenty-fourth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process (resolution [78/69](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly, also under this item and the item entitled “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”, decided that the high-level 2025 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development, co-hosted by Costa Rica and France, would be organized in Nice, France, from 9 to 13 June 2025, to support the implementation of Goal 14 (resolution [78/128](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [49/28](#) and [78/69](#));
- (b) Letter from the Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole addressed to the President of the General Assembly transmitting the report on the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects (resolutions [63/111](#), [65/37 A](#) and [78/69](#));
- (c) Letter from the Co-Chairs of the Informal Consultative Process addressed to the President of the General Assembly transmitting the report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (resolutions [54/33](#) and [78/69](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 75 (a))**

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/67](#) and [A/78/339](#)

Letter from the Co-Chairs of the Informal Consultative Process addressed to the President of the General Assembly transmitting the report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its twenty-third meeting ([A/78/129](#))

Letters from the Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole addressed to the President of the General Assembly transmitting the report on the work of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects ([A/78/77](#) and [A/78/521](#))

Draft resolutions [A/78/L.15](#) and [A/78/L.25](#) (also applies to item 13)

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.43](#) and [44](#) (jointly with sub-items (b) and (c)) and [48](#) (also applies to item 13)

Resolutions [78/69](#) and [78/128](#) (also applies to item 13)

**(b) Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments**

The Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks entered into force on 11 December 2001.

At its fiftieth session, the General Assembly, under the sub-item entitled “Sustainable use and conservation of the marine living resources of the high seas” under the item entitled “Environment and sustainable development”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session, under the item entitled “Law of the sea”, a sub-item entitled “Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks” (resolution [50/24](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-first to fifty-fourth sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-sixth session (resolutions [51/35](#), [51/36](#), [52/28](#), [53/33](#), [54/32](#), [56/13](#), [57/143](#), [58/14](#), [59/25](#), [60/31](#), [61/105](#), [62/177](#), [63/112](#), [64/72](#), [65/38](#), [66/68](#), [67/79](#), [68/71](#), [69/109](#), [70/75](#), [71/123](#), [72/72](#), [73/125](#), [74/18](#), [75/89](#), [76/71](#), [77/118](#) and [78/68](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with sub-items entitled “Oceans and the law of the sea” and “Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction”, where statements were made by the President and 39 delegations (see [A/78/PV.43](#) and [44](#)). The Assembly decided to include the sub-item in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session and to consider the possibility of including the sub-item in future provisional agendas on a biennial basis (resolution [78/68](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 75 (b))**

Letter from the President of the resumed Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks addressed to the President of the General Assembly ([A/78/113](#))

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/78/L.13</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.43</a> and <a href="#">44</a> (jointly with sub-items (a) and (c))
Resolution	<a href="#">78/68</a>

**(c) Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction**

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Oceans and the law of the sea”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-eighth session, under the item entitled “Oceans and the law of the sea”, a sub-item entitled “Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond

National Jurisdiction” (resolution [77/321](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its seventy-eighth session.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with sub-items entitled “Oceans and the law of the sea” and “Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments”, where statements were made by the President and 39 delegations (see [A/78/PV.43](#) and [44](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 75 (c))**

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.43](#) and [44](#) (jointly with sub-items (a) and (b))

### **76. Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission**

At its sixty-first session, the General Assembly decided that the agenda item entitled “Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects”, which had been allocated to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), should also be referred to the Sixth Committee for discussion of the report of the Group of Legal Experts on ensuring the accountability of United Nations staff and experts on mission with respect to criminal acts committed in peacekeeping operations (see [A/60/980](#)), submitted pursuant to Assembly resolutions [59/300](#) and [60/263](#) and decision 60/563 (decision 61/503 A).

At the same session, under the item entitled “Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission”, the Assembly decided to establish an Ad Hoc Committee, open to all States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, for the purpose of considering the report of the Group of Legal Experts, in particular its legal aspects (resolution [61/29](#)). The Ad Hoc Committee reported on its work to the Assembly at its sixty-second and sixty-third sessions ([A/62/54](#) and [A/63/54](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-second session (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](#), [77/98](#) and [78/102](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 38 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.8](#) and [9](#)). The Assembly reiterated its decision that 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, would be continued during its seventy-ninth session in the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee, and, for that purpose, invited further comments from Member States on that report, including on the question of future action. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to report on any updates to the policies and procedures of the United Nations system regarding allegations of crimes that may have been committed or crimes that were allegedly committed by United Nations officials or experts on mission. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/102](#)).



*Documents for the seventy-ninth session: Reports of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/102](#)).*

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 76)**

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/248</a> and <a href="#">A/78/275</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.8, 9</a> and <a href="#">37</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/432</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/102</a>

**77. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-seventh session**

At its twenty-first session, the General Assembly established the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) to promote the progressive harmonization and unification of the law of international trade, and requested the Commission to submit an annual report to the Assembly (resolution [2205 \(XXI\)](#)). The Commission began its work in 1968. It originally consisted of 29 Member States representing the various geographic regions and the principal legal systems of the world. At its twenty-eighth, fifty-seventh and seventy-sixth sessions, respectively, the Assembly increased the membership of the Commission from 29 to 36 States (resolution [3108 \(XXVIII\)](#)), from 36 to 60 States (resolution [57/20](#)) and from 60 to 70 States (resolution [76/109](#)). For the current composition of the Commission, see decision [76/416](#).

The Assembly had on its agenda the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law” annually from the twenty-third to the forty-first sessions and has had the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its ... session” annually since its forty-second session (resolutions [2421 \(XXIII\)](#), [2502 \(XXIV\)](#), [2635 \(XXV\)](#), [2766 \(XXVI\)](#), [2928 \(XXVII\)](#), [3104 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3108 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3316 \(XXIX\)](#), [3494 \(XXX\)](#), [31/98](#) to [31/100](#), [32/145](#), [33/92](#), [33/93](#), [34/142](#), [34/143](#), [35/51](#), [35/52](#), [36/32](#), [37/106](#), [37/107](#), [38/134](#), [38/135](#), [39/82](#), [40/71](#), [40/72](#), [41/77](#), [42/152](#), [42/153](#), [43/165](#) (United Nations Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes), [43/166](#), [44/33](#), [45/42](#), [46/56 A and B](#), [47/34](#), [48/32](#) to [48/34](#), [49/54](#), [49/55](#), [50/47](#), [50/48](#) (United Nations Convention on Independent Guarantees and Stand-by Letters of Credit), [51/161](#), [51/162](#) (Model Law on Electronic Commerce adopted by the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law), [52/157](#), [52/158](#) (Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law), [53/103](#), [54/103](#), [55/151](#), [56/79](#), [56/80](#), [56/81](#) (United Nations Convention on the Assignment of Receivables in International Trade), [57/17](#), [57/18](#) (Model Law on International Commercial Conciliation of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law), [57/19](#), [57/20](#), [58/75](#), [58/76](#), [59/39](#), [59/40](#), [60/20](#), [60/21](#) (United Nations Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts), [61/32](#), [61/33](#), [62/64](#), [62/65](#), [63/120](#), [63/121](#), [63/122](#) (United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea), [64/111](#), [64/112](#), [65/21](#) to [65/24](#), [66/94](#) to [66/96](#), [67/89](#), [67/90](#), [68/106](#) to [68/109](#), [69/115](#), [69/116](#) (United Nations Convention on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration), [70/115](#), [71/135](#) to [71/138](#), [72/113](#), [72/114](#), [73/197](#) to [73/200](#), [74/182](#) to [74/184](#), [75/133](#), [76/107](#) to [76/109](#), [76/229](#), [77/99](#) to [77/101](#) and [78/103](#) to [78/106](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by the Chair of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law and by 31 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.13](#) and [14](#)). The Assembly noted with interest the progress made by the Commission in its work in several areas and took note with interest of the decisions taken by the Commission on its future work (resolution [78/103](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-seventh session: Supplement No. 17 ([A/79/17](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 77)**

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-sixth session: Supplement No. 17 ([A/78/17](#))

Summary records [A/C.6/78/SR.13, 14 and 37](#)

Report of the Sixth Committee [A/78/433](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.45](#)

Resolutions [78/103 to 78/106](#)

### **78. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law**

At its twentieth session, under the item entitled “Technical assistance to promote the teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation of international law”, the General Assembly established a programme of assistance and exchange in the field of international law as well as an Advisory Committee on Technical Assistance to Promote the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, the members of which are appointed by the Assembly, to assist the Secretary-General in the performance of the functions entrusted to him by the Assembly (resolution [2099 \(XX\)](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twenty-first session, and decided that the programme established under resolution [2099 \(XX\)](#) would be known as the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, and accordingly the Advisory Committee set up under that resolution would be known as the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law (resolution [2204 \(XXI\)](#)).

The Assembly had the item entitled “United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law” on its agenda and authorized the continuation of the Programme annually at its twenty-second to twenty-sixth sessions, biennially until its sixty-fourth session and annually thereafter (resolutions [2313 \(XXII\)](#), [2464 \(XXIII\)](#), [2550 \(XXIV\)](#), [2698 \(XXV\)](#), [2838 \(XXVI\)](#), [3106 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3502 \(XXX\)](#), [32/146](#), [34/144](#), [36/108](#), [38/129](#), [40/66](#), [42/148](#), [44/28](#), [46/50](#), [48/29](#), [50/43](#), [52/152](#), [54/102](#), [56/77](#), [58/73](#), [60/19](#), [62/62](#), [64/113](#), [65/25](#), [66/97](#), [67/91](#), [68/110](#), [69/117](#), [70/116](#), [71/139](#), [72/115](#), [73/201](#), [74/185](#), [75/134](#), [76/110](#), [77/102](#) and [78/107](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by the Chair of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, the Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs and United Nations Legal Counsel, the Secretary of the Advisory Committee, a representative of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs and 43 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.21](#) and [22](#)). The Assembly

authorized the Secretary-General to carry out the activities specified in his report on the item in 2024 and requested the Secretary-General to continue to include resources for the activities of the Programme of Assistance under the proposed programme budget for 2025 and to further expand such activities using voluntary contributions. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to report to it 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 (resolution [78/107](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/107](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 78)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/514</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.21, 22 and 37</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/434</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/107</a>

### **79. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fifth session**

At its second session, the General Assembly, under the agenda item entitled “Establishment of an International Law Commission”, resolved to establish the International Law Commission, with a view to giving effect to Article 13, paragraph 1 (a), of the Charter of the United Nations and with the objective of promoting the progressive development of international law and its codification (resolution [174 \(II\)](#)). The statute of the Commission, annexed to resolution [174 \(II\)](#) (subsequently amended in resolutions [485 \(V\)](#), [984 \(X\)](#), [985 \(X\)](#) and [36/39](#)), provides that the Commission should submit reports to the Assembly.

At its fourth session, the Assembly adopted the resolution entitled “Approval of part I of the report of the International Law Commission covering its first session” (resolution [373 \(IV\)](#)). The Assembly had the item entitled “Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its ... session” on its agenda at its sixth, seventh and twelfth to eighteenth sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since its twentieth session (resolutions [601 \(VI\)](#), [683 \(VII\)](#), [1185 \(XII\)](#), [1290 \(XIII\)](#), [1399 \(XIV\)](#), [1504 \(XV\)](#), [1686 \(XVI\)](#), [1765 \(XVII\)](#), [1902 \(XVIII\)](#), [2045 \(XX\)](#), [2167 \(XXI\)](#), [2272 \(XXII\)](#), [2400 \(XXIII\)](#), [2501 \(XXIV\)](#), [2634 \(XXV\)](#), [2780 \(XXVI\)](#), [2926 \(XXVII\)](#), [3071 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3315 \(XXIX\)](#), [3495 \(XXX\)](#), [31/97](#), [32/151](#), [33/139](#), [34/141](#), [35/163](#), [36/113](#), [36/114](#), [37/111](#), [37/112](#), [38/138](#), [39/85](#), [40/75](#), [41/81](#), [42/156](#), [43/169](#), [44/35](#), [44/36](#), [45/41](#), [46/54](#), [46/55](#), [47/33](#), [48/31](#), [49/51](#) to [49/53](#), [50/45](#), [51/160](#), [52/156](#), [53/102](#), [54/111](#), [54/112](#), [55/152](#), [56/82](#), [56/83](#), [57/21](#), [58/77](#), [59/41](#), [60/22](#), [61/34](#) to [61/36](#), [62/66](#), [63/123](#), [63/124](#), [64/114](#), [65/26](#), [66/98](#) to [66/100](#), [67/92](#), [68/111](#), [68/112](#), [69/118](#), [69/119](#), [70/236](#), [71/140](#), [71/141](#), [72/116](#), [73/202](#), [73/265](#), [74/186](#), [75/135](#), [76/111](#), [77/103](#), [78/108](#) and [78/109](#), and decision [74/545](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item entitled “Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-third and seventy-fourth sessions” to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 79 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.23–33](#)). The Assembly decided that the next session of the International Law Commission should be held at the United Nations Office at

Geneva from 15 April to 31 May 2024,<sup>4</sup> which would coincide with the commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Commission, and from 1 July to 2 August 2024. The Assembly recommended that the debate on the report of the Commission at the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly commence on 21 October 2024. Moreover, the Assembly endorsed 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 (resolution 78/108).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fifth session: Supplement No. 10 (A/79/10).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 79)

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-third session: Supplement No. 10 (A/77/10)

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fourth session: Supplement No. 10 (A/78/10)

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.23–33</a> and <a href="#">37</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/435</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/108</a> and <a href="#">78/109</a>

## 80. Crimes against humanity

At its seventy-fourth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-first session”, took note of the draft articles on prevention and punishment of crimes against humanity contained in chapter IV of the report of the Commission (A/74/10), and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fifth session an item entitled “Crimes against humanity” and to continue to examine the recommendation of the Commission contained in paragraph 42 of its report on the work of its seventy-first session (resolution 74/187).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-fifth session (resolutions 75/136, 76/114 and 77/249).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly took note once again of the draft articles presented by the International Law Commission and decided that the Sixth Committee would resume its session for five days, from 10 to 14 April 2023, and for six days, from 1 to 5 April and on 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 (A/74/10). The Assembly also decided that a written summary of the deliberations during the two resumed sessions would be prepared by the Sixth Committee at the end of the second resumed seventy-eighth session and invited States to submit, by the end of 2023, written comments and observations on the draft articles and the recommendation of the Commission, which it requested that the Secretary-General circulate in a compilation well in advance of the resumed seventy-eighth session. Finally, the Assembly decided that the Sixth Committee would further examine the draft articles and the recommendation of the Commission at the seventy-ninth session

<sup>4</sup> The commencement of the seventy-fifth session was postponed until 29 April in the light of the liquidity crisis facing the Organization.

of the Assembly and take a decision on the matter, without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action (resolution [77/249](#)). The Sixth Committee continued its consideration of the item in the resumed part of the seventy-seventh session from 10 to 14 April 2023.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 83 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.9–11](#)). Further to resolution [77/249](#), the Sixth Committee continued its consideration of the item in the resumed part of the seventy-eighth session from 1 to 5 and on 11 April 2024 and would further examine the draft articles and the recommendation of the Commission at the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly and take a decision on the matter, without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action (resolution [77/249](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-first session: Supplement No. 10 ([A/74/10](#));
- (b) Written summary of the deliberations during the two resumed sessions ([A/C.6/78/2](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 80)**

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-first session: Supplement No. 10 ([A/74/10](#))

Summary records [A/C.6/78/SR.9–11](#)

Report of the Secretary-General [A/78/717](#) and [A/78/717/Add.1](#)

### **81. Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts**

The item entitled “State of signatures and ratifications of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of international armed conflicts (Protocol I) and the protection of victims of non-international armed conflicts (Protocol II)” was included in the agenda of the thirty-seventh session of the General Assembly at the request of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden ([A/37/142](#)).

At its thirty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-ninth session an item entitled “Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts: report of the Secretary-General” (resolution [37/116](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda biennially at its thirty-ninth to forty-fifth sessions (resolutions [39/77](#), [41/72](#), [43/161](#) and [45/38](#)).

At its forty-fifth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-seventh session an item entitled “Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts” (resolution [45/38](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since then (resolutions [47/30](#), [49/48](#), [51/155](#), [53/96](#), [55/148](#), [57/14](#), [59/36](#), [61/30](#), [63/125](#), [65/29](#), [67/93](#), [69/120](#), [71/144](#), [73/204](#), [75/138](#) and [77/107](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 32 delegations (see [A/C.6/77/SR.16–17](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report 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, including 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 (resolution [77/107](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/107](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 78)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/264</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/77/SR.16–17</a> and <a href="#">36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/77/419</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.47</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/107</a>

## **82. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives**

The item entitled “Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives” was included in the agenda of the thirty-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden ([A/35/142](#)).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda annually at its thirty-fifth to forty-third sessions, and biennially thereafter (resolutions [35/168](#), [36/33](#), [37/108](#), [38/136](#), [39/83](#), [40/73](#), [41/78](#), [41/79](#), [42/154](#), [43/167](#), [45/39](#), [47/31](#), [49/49](#), [51/156](#), [53/97](#), [55/149](#), [57/15](#), [59/37](#), [61/31](#), [63/126](#), [65/30](#), [67/94](#), [69/121](#), [71/145](#), [73/205](#), [75/139](#) and [77/108](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 28 delegations (see [A/C.6/77/SR.17–18](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report containing information on the state of ratification of and accessions to the instruments relevant to the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives and a summary of the reports received from States on serious violations involving diplomatic and consular missions and representatives and measures taken against offenders, as well as of the views of States with respect to any measures needed or already taken to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (resolution [77/108](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/108](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 82)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/208</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/77/SR.17</a> , <a href="#">18</a> , <a href="#">32</a> and <a href="#">34</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/77/420</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.47</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/108</a>

### 83. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

The item entitled “Need to consider suggestions regarding the review of the Charter of the United Nations” was included in the agenda of the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of Colombia ([A/7659](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda biennially at its twenty-fifth to twenty-ninth sessions (resolutions [2697 \(XXV\)](#), [2968 \(XXVII\)](#) and [3349 \(XXIX\)](#)).

At its twenty-ninth session, under the item entitled “Need to consider suggestions regarding the review of the Charter of the United Nations”, the Assembly decided to establish an Ad Hoc Committee on the Charter of the United Nations to consider any specific proposals that Governments might make with a view to enhancing the ability of the United Nations to achieve its purposes, as well as other suggestions for the more effective functioning of the United Nations that might not require amendments to the Charter (resolution [3349 \(XXIX\)](#)).

The item entitled “Strengthening of the role of the United Nations with regard to the maintenance and consolidation of international peace and security, the development of cooperation among all nations and the promotion of the rules of international law in relations between States” was included in the agenda of the twenty-seventh session of the Assembly at the request of Romania ([A/8792](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda annually at its twenty-seventh to twenty-ninth sessions (resolutions [2925 \(XXVII\)](#), [3073 \(XXVIII\)](#) and [3282 \(XXIX\)](#)).

At its thirtieth session, under the item “Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization”, the Assembly decided to reconvene the Ad Hoc Committee on the Charter of the United Nations as the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization to examine suggestions and proposals regarding the Charter and the strengthening of the role of the United Nations with regard to the maintenance and consolidation of international peace and security, the development of cooperation among all nations and the promotion of the rules of international law. The Assembly also decided that the Special Committee should submit an annual report to the Assembly (resolution [3499 \(XXX\)](#)).

The Assembly has had the item entitled “Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization” on its agenda annually since its thirty-first session (resolutions [31/28](#), [32/45](#), [33/94](#), [34/147](#), [35/164](#), [36/122](#), [36/123](#), [37/114](#), [38/141](#), [39/88 A and B](#), [40/78](#), [41/83](#), [42/157](#), [43/51](#), [43/170](#), [44/37](#), [45/44](#), [45/45](#), [46/58](#), [46/59](#), [47/38](#), [48/36](#), [49/57](#), [49/58](#), [50/50](#) to [50/52](#), [51/208](#), [51/209](#), [52/161](#) to [52/163](#), [53/106](#), [53/107](#), [54/106](#) to [54/108](#), [55/156](#), [55/157](#), [56/86](#), [56/87](#), [57/24](#) to [57/26](#), [58/80](#), [58/248](#), [59/44](#), [59/45](#), [60/23](#), [61/37](#), [61/38](#), [62/69](#), [63/127](#), [64/115](#), [65/31](#), [66/101](#), [67/95](#), [67/96](#), [68/115](#), [69/122](#), [70/117](#), [71/146](#), [71/147](#), [72/118](#), [73/206](#), [74/190](#), [75/140](#), [76/115](#), [76/116](#), [77/109](#) and [78/111](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 32 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.22](#), [33](#) and [34](#)) The Assembly decided that the Special Committee would hold its next session from 20 to 28 February 2024 and requested the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on both the *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs* and the *Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council* (resolution [78/111](#)).

The Special Committee met at United Nations Headquarters from 20 to 28 February 2024 and adopted its report ([A/79/33](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: Supplement No. 33 ([A/79/33](#));
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on the *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs* and *Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council* (resolution [78/111](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 83)**

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: Supplement No. 33 ([A/78/33](#))

Reports of the Secretary-General:

*Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs and Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council* ([A/78/296](#))

Implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions ([A/78/114](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.22, 33, 34 and 37</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/438</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/111</a>

## **84. The rule of law at the national and international levels**

The item entitled “The rule of law at the national and international levels” was included in the agenda of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly at the request of Liechtenstein and Mexico ([A/61/142](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda since its sixty-first session (resolutions [61/39](#), [62/70](#), [63/128](#), [64/116](#), [65/32](#), [66/102](#), [67/1](#) (declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the rule of law at the national and international levels), [67/97](#), [68/116](#), [69/123](#), [70/118](#), [71/148](#), [72/119](#), [73/207](#), [74/191](#), [75/141](#), [76/117](#), [77/110](#) and [78/112](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations and by 93 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.15–19](#)). The Assembly requested 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](#), addressing, in a balanced manner, the national and international dimensions of the rule of law, and invited 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” (resolution [78/112](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/112](#)).



**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 84)**

Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening and coordinating United Nations rule of law activities ([A/78/184](#))

Summary records [A/C.6/78/SR.15–19](#) and [37](#)

Report of the Sixth Committee [A/78/439](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.45](#)

Resolution [78/112](#)

**85. The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction**

The item entitled “The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction” was included in the agenda of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of the United Republic of Tanzania on behalf of the Group of African States ([A/63/237/Rev.1](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since then (resolutions [64/117](#), [65/33](#), [66/103](#), [67/98](#), [68/117](#), [69/124](#), [70/119](#), [71/149](#), [72/120](#), [73/208](#), [74/192](#), [75/142](#), [76/118](#), [77/111](#) and [78/113](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 59 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.12–13](#)). The Assembly reiterated 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 and invited the working group to consider and comment on the question “on the relevant elements of a working concept of universal jurisdiction”. The Assembly also decided that the working group would be open to all Member States and that relevant observers to the Assembly would be invited to participate in the work of the working group. The Assembly invited Member States and relevant observers, as appropriate, to submit 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 requested 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 Sixth Committee (resolution [78/113](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/113](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 85)**

Report of the Secretary-General [A/78/130](#)

Summary records [A/C.6/78/SR.12–13](#) and [37](#)

Report of the Sixth Committee [A/78/440](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.45](#)

Resolution [78/113](#)

**86. Protection of persons in the event of disasters**

At its seventy-first session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-eighth session”, decided

to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session an item entitled “Protection of persons in the event of disasters”. The Assembly invited Governments to submit comments concerning the recommendation by the Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of the draft articles on the protection of persons in the event of disasters presented by the Commission (resolution [71/141](#)).

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly decided to include the item in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fifth session (resolution [73/209](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided to defer the consideration of the agenda item to the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly (decision [75/526](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly decided to examine the draft articles and to consider further the recommendation of the Commission for the elaboration of a convention by the 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, within the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee, to be convened for four full consecutive days at the seventy-eighth and seventy-ninth sessions of the Assembly. The Assembly also decided that the working group would report to the Sixth Committee at the seventy-ninth session of the 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 (resolution [76/119](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 57 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.5–7](#)). The Sixth Committee concluded its consideration of the item without taking action, on the understanding that the item would be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly on the basis of resolution [76/119](#). The Assembly took note of the report of the Sixth Committee (decision [78/516](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 86)**

Report of the International Law Commission on its sixty-eighth session: Supplement No. 10 ([A/71/10](#)), chap. IV

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/75/214</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.5–7</a> and <a href="#">36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/441</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/516</a>

### **88. Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia – residual functions**

The item entitled “Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia – residual functions” was included in the agenda of the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of Australia, Cambodia, France, Germany, Japan, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America ([A/75/193](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its seventy-fifth session (resolutions [75/257](#) A and B and [77/299](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by three delegations (see [A/77/PV.84](#)). The Assembly requested

the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/299](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/299](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 88)**

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.76</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.84</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/299</a>

## **G. Disarmament**

### **89. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency**

The Agreement governing the relationship between the United Nations and the International Atomic Energy Agency was approved by the General Assembly on 14 November 1957 (resolution [1145 \(XII\)](#), annex), under the item entitled “Draft relationship agreement between the United Nations and the International Atomic Energy Agency: report of the Advisory Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy”. In accordance with article III of the Agreement, the Agency submits to the Assembly an annual report on its work. Pursuant to article VII of the Agreement, the Director General of the Agency is entitled to attend plenary meetings of the Assembly for the purposes of consultation and to attend and participate without vote in meetings of the Committees of the Assembly; the Director General may designate any person as a representative. In the statement made to the Assembly, the Director General of the Agency gives an account of any major developments since the date of issue of the report.

The Assembly has had the item entitled “Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency” on its agenda annually since its thirteenth session (resolutions [1242 \(XIII\)](#), [1355 \(XIV\)](#), [1503 \(XV\)](#), [1651 \(XVI\)](#), [1769 \(XVII\)](#), [1770 \(XVII\)](#), [1886 \(XVIII\)](#), [2026 \(XX\)](#), [2156 \(XXI\)](#), [2284 \(XXII\)](#), [2457 \(XXIII\)](#), [2536 \(XXIV\)](#), [2655 \(XXV\)](#), [2763 \(XXVI\)](#), [2907 \(XXVII\)](#), [3056 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3213 \(XXIX\)](#), [3386 \(XXX\)](#), [31/11](#), [32/49](#), [32/50](#), [33/3](#), [33/4](#), [34/11](#), [34/63](#), [35/17](#), [35/112](#), [36/25](#), [36/78](#), [37/19](#), [38/8](#), [39/12](#), [40/8](#), [41/36](#), [42/6](#), [43/16](#), [44/13](#), [45/7](#), [46/16](#), [47/8](#), [48/14](#), [49/65](#), [50/9](#), [51/10](#), [52/11](#), [53/21](#), [54/26](#), [55/244](#), [56/94](#), [57/9](#), [58/8](#), [59/18](#), [60/6](#), [61/8](#), [62/2](#), [63/6](#), [64/8](#), [65/9](#), [66/7](#), [67/3](#), [68/10](#), [69/7](#), [70/10](#), [71/158](#), [72/5](#), [73/9](#), [74/8](#), [75/6](#), [76/9](#), [77/9](#) and [78/8](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate during which statements were made by the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and 49 delegations (see [A/78/PV.29](#) and [30](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: reports of the General Committee”, on the recommendation of the General Committee, which had taken note of the fact that some portions of the annual report of the Agency, which was to be considered directly in plenary meeting under the item entitled “Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency”, dealt with the subject matter of the item entitled “General and complete disarmament” ([A/78/250](#), para. 106), decided that the relevant paragraphs of the report would be brought to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of the item entitled “General and complete disarmament” (decision [78/503](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (resolution [1145 \(XII\)](#), annex).

In his statement to the Assembly, the Director General of the Agency will give an account of any major developments since the date of issue of the report.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 89)**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency ([A/78/304](#))

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/78/L.7</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.29</a> and <a href="#">30</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/8</a>

### **90. Reduction of military budgets**

The question of the reduction of military budgets was first considered under the item entitled “Reduction of the military budgets of States permanent members of the Security Council by 10 per cent and utilization of part of the funds thus saved to provide assistance to developing countries”, included in the agenda of the twenty-eighth session of the General Assembly, at the request of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics ([A/9191](#)). At its twenty-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item and established a Special Committee on the Distribution of Funds Released as a Result of the Reduction of Military Budgets (resolutions [3093 A and B \(XXVIII\)](#)).

The Assembly subsequently had the item on its agenda at its twenty-ninth to thirty-third and thirty-fifth to forty-fourth sessions and has had it on its agenda annually since its forty-sixth session (resolutions [3254 \(XXIX\)](#), [3463 \(XXX\)](#), [31/87](#), [32/85](#), [33/67](#), [35/142 A and B](#), [36/82 A and B](#), [37/95 A and B](#), [38/184 A and B](#), [39/64 A and B](#), [40/91 A and B](#), [41/57](#), [42/36](#), [43/73](#), [44/114 A and B](#) and [46/25](#) and decisions [47/418](#), [55/414](#), [59/512](#), [61/513](#), [63/516](#), [65/514](#), [67/513](#), [69/513](#), [71/512](#), [73/510](#), [75/512](#), [76/514](#) and [78/509](#)).

At its thirty-fifth session, in 1980, the Assembly recommended that Member States report annually to the Secretary-General their military expenditures of the latest fiscal year for which data were available, and requested the Secretary-General to report on those matters to the Assembly on an annual basis (resolution [35/142 B](#)).

At the seventy-eighth session, no proposals were submitted under this item.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 90)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/158</a>
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/400</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/509</a>

### **91. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty**

The item entitled “Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa” was included in the agenda of the twentieth session of the General Assembly at the request of 34 African States ([A/5975](#)).

The Assembly considered the question at its twentieth, twenty-ninth to thirty-second, tenth special and thirty-third to forty-ninth sessions (resolutions [2033 \(XX\)](#), [3261 E \(XXIX\)](#), [3471 \(XXX\)](#), [31/69](#), [32/81](#), [S-10/2](#), para. 63 (c), [33/63](#), [34/76 A and B](#), [35/146 A and B](#), [36/86 A and B](#), [37/74 A and B](#), [38/181 A and B](#), [39/61 A and B](#), [40/89](#)

A and B, [41/55](#) A and B, [42/34](#) A and B, [43/71](#) A and B, [44/113](#) A and B, [45/56](#) A and B, [46/34](#) A and B, [47/76](#), [48/86](#) and [49/138](#)).

At its fiftieth session, the Assembly welcomed with special satisfaction the adoption by the African leaders of the final text of the African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty (Treaty of Pelindaba), and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session the item entitled “African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty” (resolution [50/78](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-first session and biennially at its fifty-second to sixty-fourth sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-fifth session (resolutions [51/53](#), [52/46](#), [54/48](#), [56/17](#), [58/30](#), [60/49](#), [62/15](#), [64/24](#), [65/39](#), [66/23](#), [67/26](#), [68/25](#), [69/26](#), [70/23](#), [71/26](#), [72/22](#), [73/26](#), [74/26](#), [75/30](#), [76/18](#), [77/34](#) and [78/14](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty” (resolution [78/14](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 92)**

Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/402</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/14</a>

## **92. Maintenance of international security – good-neighbourliness, stability and development in South-Eastern Europe**

The item entitled “Maintenance of international security” was included in the agenda of the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly pursuant to resolution [47/60](#) B. The Assembly continued its consideration of the item at its forty-eighth to fiftieth sessions (resolutions [48/84](#) A and [50/80](#) A and B and decision [49/428](#)).

At its fifty-first session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session the item entitled “The maintenance of international security – prevention of the violent disintegration of States” (resolution [51/55](#)). The Assembly considered the item at its fifty-third session (resolution [53/71](#)).

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled “Maintenance of international security – stability and development of South-Eastern Europe” (resolution [54/62](#)).

The Assembly considered the question at its fifty-fifth to fifty-seventh sessions and biennially thereafter (resolutions [55/27](#), [56/18](#), [57/52](#), [59/59](#) and [61/53](#) and decisions [63/517](#), [65/515](#), [67/514](#), [69/514](#), [71/513](#), [73/511](#), [75/513](#) and [77/511](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include the item in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session (decision [77/511](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 93)**

Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/77/PV.2–32</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/77/379</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.46</a>
Decision	77/511

**93. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security**

At its forty-third session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its fifteenth special session”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled “Scientific and technological developments and their impact on international security” (resolution [43/77 A](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-fourth, forty-fifth and forty-seventh to forty-ninth sessions (resolutions [44/118 A](#), [45/60](#), [47/43](#), [48/66](#) and [49/67](#)). At its fiftieth session, the Assembly decided that the item entitled “The role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament” should be included in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session (resolution [50/62](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-first and fifty-second sessions (resolutions [51/39](#) and [52/33](#)).

At its fifty-third session, the Assembly decided that the item entitled “Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security” should be included in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session (resolution [53/70](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-fourth session (resolutions [54/49](#), [55/28](#), [56/15](#), [57/53](#), [58/32](#), [59/60](#), [60/45](#), [61/54](#), [62/17](#), [63/37](#), [64/25](#), [65/41](#), [66/24](#), [67/27](#), [68/243](#), [69/28](#), [70/237](#), [71/28](#), [73/27](#), [73/266](#), [74/28](#), [74/29](#), [75/32](#), [75/240](#), [76/19](#), [77/36](#), [77/37](#), [78/16](#) and [78/237](#) and decisions [72/512](#), [75/550](#), [75/551](#), [75/564](#), [77/512](#) and [78/541](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided to convene, starting from 2021, a new open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021–2025, acting on a consensus basis, and requested that it submit, for adoption by consensus, annual progress reports on the results of its work to the Assembly (resolution [75/240](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security” (resolution [78/237](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021–2025 (resolution [75/240](#)).

**References for the seventy-fifth session (agenda item 98)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/75/123</a>
Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Open-ended Working Group on Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the Context of International Security ( <a href="#">A/75/816</a> )	
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/75/PV.2–15</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/75/394</a>
Reports of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/75/674</a> , <a href="#">A/75/675</a> and <a href="#">A/75/676</a>

Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/75/PV.37, 48 (Resumption 1)</a> and <a href="#">62</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">75/240</a>

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 94)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/76</a>
Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the open-ended working group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021–2025 ( <a href="#">A/78/265</a> )	
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/404</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/662</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a> and <a href="#">50 (Resumption 1)</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/16</a> and <a href="#">78/237</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/541</a>

### **94. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East**

This item was included in the agenda of the twenty-ninth session of the General Assembly at the request of Iran, later joined by Egypt ([A/9693](#), [A/9693/Add.1](#), [A/9693/Add.2](#) and [A/9693/Add.3](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its twenty-ninth session (resolutions [3263 \(XXIX\)](#), [3474 \(XXX\)](#), [31/71](#), [32/82](#), [S-10/2](#), para. 63 (d), [33/64](#), [34/77](#), [35/147](#), [36/87 B](#), [37/75](#), [38/64](#), [39/54](#), [40/82](#), [41/48](#), [42/28](#), [43/65](#), [44/108](#), [45/52](#), [46/30](#), [47/48](#), [48/71](#), [49/71](#), [50/66](#), [51/41](#), [52/34](#), [53/74](#), [54/51](#), [55/30](#), [56/21](#), [57/55](#), [58/34](#), [59/63](#), [60/52](#), [61/56](#), [62/18](#), [63/38](#), [64/26](#), [65/42](#), [66/25](#), [67/28](#), [68/27](#), [69/29](#), [70/24](#), [71/29](#), [72/24](#), [73/28](#), [74/30](#), [75/33](#), [76/20](#) and [78/17](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to pursue consultations with the States of the region and other concerned States in accordance with paragraph 7 of resolution [46/30](#) and to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/17](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/17](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 95)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/205 (Part I)</a> and <a href="#">A/78/205 (Part II)</a>
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/405</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/17</a>

## 95. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons

The item entitled “Conclusion of an international convention on the strengthening of guarantees of the security of non-nuclear States” was included in the agenda of the thirty-third session of the General Assembly at the request of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics ([A/33/241](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-third session (resolutions [33/72 B](#), [34/85](#), [35/155](#), [36/95](#), [37/81](#), [38/68](#), [39/58](#), [40/86](#), [41/52](#), [42/32](#), [43/69](#), [44/111](#), [45/54](#), [46/32](#), [47/50](#), [48/73](#), [49/73](#), [50/68](#), [51/43](#), [52/36](#), [53/75](#), [54/52](#), [55/31](#), [56/22](#), [57/56](#), [58/35](#), [59/64](#), [60/53](#), [61/57](#), [62/19](#), [63/39](#), [64/27](#), [65/43](#), [66/26](#), [67/29](#), [68/28](#), [69/30](#), [70/25](#), [71/30](#), [72/25](#), [73/29](#), [74/31](#), [75/34](#), [76/21](#), [77/39](#) and [78/18](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons” (resolution [78/18](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/79/27](#)).

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 96)

Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/78/27](#))

Verbatim records [A/C.1/78/PV.2–30](#)

Report of the First Committee [A/78/406](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.42](#)

Resolution [78/18](#)

## 96. Prevention of an arms race in outer space

### (a) Prevention of an arms race in outer space

This item was included in the agenda of the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics ([A/36/192](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-sixth session (resolutions [36/97 C](#), [37/83](#), [38/70](#), [39/59](#), [40/87](#), [41/53](#), [42/33](#), [43/70](#), [44/112](#), [45/55 A](#) and [B](#), [46/33](#), [47/51](#), [48/74 A](#) and [B](#), [49/74](#), [50/69](#), [51/44](#), [52/37](#), [53/76](#), [54/53](#), [55/32](#), [56/23](#), [57/57](#), [58/36](#), [59/65](#), [60/54](#), [61/58](#), [62/20](#), [63/40](#), [64/28](#), [65/44](#), [66/27](#), [67/30](#), [68/29](#), [69/31](#), [70/26](#), [71/31](#), [72/26](#), [73/30](#), [74/32](#), [75/35](#), [75/36](#), [76/22](#), [77/40](#) and [78/19](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Prevention of an arms race in outer space” (resolution [78/19](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/79/27](#)).

### (b) No first placement of weapons in outer space

This item was included in the agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly at the request of the Russian Federation ([A/69/192](#)). The Assembly has had



the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-ninth session (resolutions [69/32](#), [70/27](#), [71/32](#), [72/27](#), [73/31](#), [74/33](#), [75/37](#), [76/23](#), [77/42](#) and [78/21](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Prevention of an arms race in outer space”, the sub-item entitled “No first placement of weapons in outer space” (resolution [78/21](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(c) Further practical measures for the prevention of an arms race in outer space**

The General Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-second session (resolutions [72/250](#), [74/34](#), [76/230](#), [77/250](#) and [78/238](#) and decisions [73/512](#) and [75/514](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Prevention of an arms race in outer space”, the sub-item entitled “Further practical measures for the prevention of an arms race in outer space” (resolution [78/238](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(d) Reducing space threats through norms, rules and principles of responsible behaviours**

At its seventy-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Prevention of an arms race in outer space”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-sixth session the sub-item entitled “Reducing space threats through norms, rules and principles of responsible behaviours” (resolution [75/36](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda since its seventy-sixth session (resolutions [76/231](#) and [78/20](#) and decisions [76/561](#) and [77/513](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Prevention of an arms race in outer space”, the sub-item entitled “Reducing space threats through norms, rules and principles of responsible behaviours” (resolution [78/20](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 97)**

Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/78/27](#))

Verbatim records [A/C.1/78/PV.2–30](#)

Report of the First Committee [A/78/407](#)

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.42](#) and [50 \(Resumption 1\)](#)

Resolutions [78/19](#) to [78/21](#) and [78/238](#)

**97. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament**

At its forty-third session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its fifteenth special session”, decided to include the item entitled “Scientific and technological developments and their impact on international security” in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session (resolution [43/77 A](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-fourth, forty-fifth and forty-seventh to fiftieth sessions (resolutions [44/118 A and B](#), [45/60](#), [47/43](#), [48/66](#), [49/67](#) and [50/62](#)).

The Assembly had the item entitled “Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament” on its agenda at its fifty-first to sixty-first sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-third session (resolutions [51/39](#), [52/33](#), [53/73](#), [54/50](#), [55/29](#), [56/20](#), [57/54](#), [58/33](#), [59/62](#), [60/51](#), [61/55](#), [72/28](#), [73/32](#), [74/35](#), [75/38](#), [76/24](#), [77/43](#) and [78/22](#) and decisions 63/518, 64/514, 65/516, 66/515, 67/515, 68/516, 69/515, 70/514 and 71/514).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session an updated report on current developments in science and technology and their potential impact on international security and disarmament efforts (resolution [78/22](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/22](#)).

#### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 98)

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/268</a>
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/408</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/22</a>

## 98. General and complete disarmament

The item entitled “General and complete disarmament” was included in the agenda of the fourteenth session of the General Assembly at the request of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics ([A/4218](#)).

The Assembly considered the question at its fourteenth, sixteenth to eighteenth and twentieth to seventy-eighth sessions (resolutions [1378 \(XIV\)](#), [1722 \(XVI\)](#), [1767 \(XVII\)](#), [1884 \(XVIII\)](#), [2031 \(XX\)](#), [2162 \(XXI\)](#), [2342 \(XXII\)](#), [2454 \(XXIII\)](#), [2602 \(XXIV\)](#), [2661 \(XXV\)](#), [2825 \(XXVI\)](#), [2932 A and B \(XXVII\)](#), [3184 A to C \(XXVIII\)](#), [3261 A to G \(XXIX\)](#), [3484 A to E \(XXX\)](#), [31/189 B](#), [32/87 A to G](#), [33/91 A to I](#), [34/87 A to F](#), [35/156 A to K](#), [36/97 A to L](#), [37/99 A to K](#), [38/188 A to J](#), [39/151 A to J](#), [40/94 A to O](#), [41/59 A to O](#), [42/38 A to O](#), [43/75 A to T](#), [44/116 A to U](#), [45/58 A to P](#), [46/36 A to L](#), [47/52 A to L](#), [48/75 A to L](#), [49/75 A to P](#), [50/70 A to R](#), [51/45 A to T](#), [52/38 A to T](#), [53/77 A to AA](#), [54/54 A to V](#), [55/33 A to Y](#), [56/24 A to V](#), [57/58 to 57/86](#), [58/37 to 58/59](#), [58/241](#), [59/66 to 59/95](#), [60/55 to 60/82](#), [60/226](#), [61/59 to 61/89](#), [62/22 to 62/48](#), [63/41 to 63/73](#), [63/240](#), [64/29](#), [64/30](#), [64/32 to 64/34](#), [64/37](#), [64/38](#), [64/41 to 64/44](#), [64/46 to 64/50](#), [64/53 to 64/55](#), [64/57](#), [65/45 to 65/77](#), [66/28 to 66/52](#), [67/31 to 67/62](#), [67/234 A and B](#), [68/30 to 68/56](#), [69/33 to 69/67](#), [70/28 to 70/60](#), [71/33 to 71/72](#), [71/258](#), [71/259](#), [72/29 to 72/58](#), [72/251](#), [73/33 to 73/72](#), [74/36 to 74/67](#), [75/39 to 75/73](#), [75/241](#), [76/25 to 76/55](#), [76/232 to 76/234](#), [77/44 to 77/80](#), [77/251](#), [78/23 to 78/54](#) and [78/239 to 78/241](#) and decisions [38/447](#), [42/407](#), [43/422](#), [44/432](#), [45/415 to 45/418](#), [46/412](#), [46/413](#), [47/419](#), [47/420](#), [49/427](#), [50/420](#), [51/414](#), [54/417](#), [55/415](#), [56/411 to 56/413](#), [57/515](#), [58/517 to 58/521](#), [59/513 to 59/515](#), [60/515 to 60/519](#), [61/515](#), [62/513](#), [62/514](#), [63/519](#), [63/520](#), [64/515](#), [64/516](#), [65/517](#), [66/516 to 66/518](#), [67/516 to 67/518](#), [68/517](#), [68/518](#), [69/516 to 69/518](#), [70/551](#), [71/515 to 71/517](#), [72/513 to 72/515](#), [73/513](#), [73/514](#), [74/509](#), [74/510](#), [74/549](#), [74/552](#), [75/515 to 75/518](#), [75/552](#), [76/515 to 76/517](#), [77/514 to 77/517](#), [77/547](#) and [78/541](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly adopted 34 resolutions and one decision under the item (resolutions [78/23 to 78/29](#), [78/32 to 78/38](#), [78/40 to 78/50](#), [78/52 to 78/54](#), [78/58](#), [78/70](#), [78/72](#) and [78/239 to 78/241](#) and decision [78/541](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(a) Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices**

At its thirty-sixth session, the General Assembly requested the Committee on Disarmament, at an appropriate stage of its work on the item entitled “Nuclear weapons in all aspects”, to pursue its consideration of the question of adequately verified cessation and prohibition of the production of fissionable material for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices and to keep the Assembly informed of the progress of that consideration (resolution 36/97 G). At its forty-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-ninth session the item entitled “Prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices” (resolution 48/75 L), which was considered at its forty-ninth session (no proposal was put forward). The Assembly also considered the subject, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, at its fifty-third and fifty-fifth to fifty-ninth sessions (resolutions 53/77 I, 55/33 Y, 56/24 J, 57/80, 58/57 and 59/81).

At its sixty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fifth session the item entitled “Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices” (resolution 64/29), which it has had on its agenda annually since its sixty-fifth session (resolutions 65/65, 66/44, 67/53, 70/39, 71/259, 73/65, 76/51, 77/68 and 78/28 and decisions 68/518, 69/516, 72/513, 74/509 and 75/515).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices” (resolution 78/28).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(b) Nuclear disarmament**

At its forty-first session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-second session the item entitled “Nuclear disarmament” (resolution 41/59 F), which it had on its agenda at its forty-second to forty-fifth and forty-seventh sessions and has had on its agenda annually since its fiftieth session (resolutions 42/38 H, 43/75 E, 44/116 D, 45/58 D, 50/70 P, 51/45 O, 52/38 L, 53/77 X, 54/54 P, 55/33 T, 56/24 R, 57/79, 58/56, 59/77, 60/70, 61/78, 62/42, 63/46, 64/53, 65/56, 66/51, 67/60, 68/47, 69/48, 70/52, 71/63, 72/38, 73/50, 74/45, 75/63, 76/46, 77/65 and 78/53).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution 78/53).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/53).

**(c) Notification of nuclear tests**

At its forty-first session, the General Assembly called upon States conducting nuclear explosions to provide data with regard to the date, time, location, geological characteristics and yield of such explosions to the Secretary-General within one week of each such explosion, and requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly annually a register of the information provided on nuclear explosions during the preceding 12 months (resolution 41/59 N).

The Assembly has had the item entitled “Notification of nuclear tests” on its agenda annually since its forty-second session (resolution 42/38 C).

At the seventy-eighth session, no proposals were submitted under this item.

No advance documentation is expected.

**(d) Relationship between disarmament and development**

At its forty-third session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled “Relationship between disarmament and development” (resolution [43/75 B](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its forty-fourth session (resolutions [44/116 L](#), [45/58 A](#), [46/36 C](#), [47/52 F](#), [48/75 A](#), [49/75 G](#) and [J](#), [50/70 G](#), [51/45 D](#), [52/38 D](#), [53/77 K](#), [54/54 T](#), [55/33 L](#), [56/24 E](#), [57/65](#), [59/78](#), [60/61](#), [61/64](#), [62/48](#), [63/52](#), [64/32](#), [65/52](#), [66/30](#), [67/40](#), [68/37](#), [69/56](#), [70/32](#), [71/62](#), [72/46](#), [73/37](#), [74/57](#), [75/43](#), [76/37](#), [77/45](#) and [78/23](#) and decision 58/520).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/23](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/23](#)).

**(e) Regional disarmament**

At its forty-fifth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-sixth session the item entitled “Regional disarmament” (resolution [45/58 P](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its forty-sixth session (resolutions [46/36 I](#), [47/52 G](#) and [J](#), [48/75 G](#) and [I](#), [49/75 N](#), [50/70 K](#), [51/45 K](#), [52/38 P](#), [53/77 O](#), [54/54 N](#), [55/33 O](#), [56/24 H](#), [57/76](#), [58/38](#), [59/89](#), [60/63](#), [61/80](#), [62/38](#), [63/43](#), [64/41](#), [65/45](#), [66/36](#), [67/57](#), [68/54](#), [69/45](#), [70/43](#), [71/40](#), [72/34](#), [73/33](#), [74/37](#), [75/49](#), [76/41](#), [77/59](#) and [78/36](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Regional disarmament” (resolution [78/36](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(f) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels**

At its forty-eighth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-ninth session the item entitled “Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels” (resolution [48/75 J](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its forty-ninth session (resolutions [49/75 O](#), [50/70 L](#), [51/45 Q](#), [52/38 Q](#), [53/77 P](#), [54/54 M](#), [55/33 P](#), [56/24 I](#), [57/77](#), [58/39](#), [59/88](#), [60/75](#), [61/82](#), [62/44](#), [63/44](#), [64/42](#), [65/46](#), [66/37](#), [67/62](#), [68/56](#), [69/47](#), [70/44](#), [71/41](#), [72/35](#), [73/34](#), [74/38](#), [75/50](#), [76/42](#), [77/61](#) and [78/37](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States on the subject and to submit a report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/37](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/37](#)).

**(g) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament**

At its forty-ninth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session the item entitled “Fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament” (resolution [49/75 I](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fiftieth to sixty-fifth sessions and has had the item on its agenda

annually since its sixty-seventh session (resolutions [50/70](#) F, [51/45](#) C, [52/38](#) F, [53/77](#) AA, [54/54](#) U, [55/33](#) M, [56/24](#) D, [57/61](#), [59/71](#), [61/60](#), [62/29](#), [65/66](#), [72/49](#), [73/42](#), [74/56](#), [75/44](#), [76/38](#), [77/46](#) and [78/24](#) and decisions 58/521, 60/518, 63/519, 64/515, 67/518, 69/518, 70/551 and 71/517).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament” (resolution [78/24](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(h) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control**

At its fiftieth session, the General Assembly recognized the importance of the observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms limitation and invited the Conference on Disarmament to take every necessary measure to include in negotiating treaties and agreements on disarmament and arms limitation the corresponding environmental norms, with a view to ensuring that the process of implementation of such treaties and agreements is environmentally sound, in particular the destruction of weapons covered by them (resolution [50/70](#) M).

At its fifty-first session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-second session the item entitled “Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control” (resolution [51/45](#) E), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-second session (resolutions [52/38](#) E, [53/77](#) J, [54/54](#) S, [55/33](#) K, [56/24](#) F, [57/64](#), [58/45](#), [59/68](#), [60/60](#), [61/63](#), [62/28](#), [63/51](#), [64/33](#), [65/53](#), [66/31](#), [67/37](#), [68/36](#), [69/55](#), [70/30](#), [71/60](#), [72/47](#), [73/39](#), [74/52](#), [75/53](#), [76/39](#), [77/44](#) and [78/25](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control” (resolution [78/25](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/25](#)).

**(i) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons**

At its forty-ninth session, the General Assembly requested the International Court of Justice to render an advisory opinion on whether the threat or use of nuclear weapons was permitted in any circumstance under international law (resolution [49/75](#) K).

At its fifty-first session, the Assembly took note of the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice ([A/51/218](#), annex), and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-second session the item entitled “Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons” (resolution [51/45](#) M), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-second session (resolutions [52/38](#) O, [53/77](#) W, [54/54](#) Q, [55/33](#) X, [56/24](#) S, [57/85](#), [58/46](#), [59/83](#), [60/76](#), [61/83](#), [62/39](#), [63/49](#), [64/55](#), [65/76](#), [66/46](#), [67/33](#), [68/42](#), [69/43](#), [70/56](#), [71/58](#), [72/58](#), [73/64](#), [74/59](#), [75/66](#), [76/53](#), [77/57](#) and [78/33](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to apprise it at its seventy-ninth session of information provided by States on the efforts

and measures taken with respect to the implementation of the resolution and nuclear disarmament (resolution [78/33](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/33](#)).

**(j) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction**

On 3 September 1992, the Conference on Disarmament adopted the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Chemical Weapons to the Conference on Disarmament, including the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction ([A/44/27](#), appendix). The Convention entered into force on 29 April 1997.

At its forty-seventh session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons”, commended the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, as contained in the report of the Conference on Disarmament (resolution [47/39](#)).

At its fifty-first session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-second session the item entitled “Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction” (resolution [51/45 T](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-second session (resolutions [52/38 T](#), [53/77 R](#), [54/54 E](#), [55/33 H](#), [56/24 K](#), [57/82](#), [58/52](#), [59/72](#), [60/67](#), [61/68](#), [62/23](#), [63/48](#), [64/46](#), [65/57](#), [66/35](#), [67/54](#), [68/45](#), [69/67](#), [70/41](#), [71/69](#), [72/43](#), [73/45](#), [74/40](#), [75/55](#), [76/29](#), [77/73](#) and [78/29](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction” (resolution [78/29](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (resolution [55/283](#), annex).

**(k) Measures to uphold the authority of the 1925 Geneva Protocol**

At its fifty-first session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, renewed its previous call to all States to observe strictly the principles and objectives of the Protocol for the Prohibition of the Use in War of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or Other Gases, and of Bacteriological Methods of Warfare, signed at Geneva on 17 June 1925 (resolution [51/45 P](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-third session (resolutions [53/77 L](#), [55/33 J](#), [57/62](#), [59/70](#), [61/61](#), [63/53](#), [65/51](#), [67/35](#), [69/53](#), [71/59](#), [73/43](#), [75/46](#) and [77/50](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/50](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/50](#)).

**(l) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction**

The Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction was concluded on 18 September 1997 and was opened for signature by all States. The Convention entered into force on 1 March 1999.

At its fifty-second session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session the item entitled “Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction” (resolution [52/38 A](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-third session (resolutions [53/77 N](#), [54/54 B](#), [55/33 V](#), [56/24 M](#), [57/74](#), [58/53](#), [59/84](#), [60/80](#), [61/84](#), [62/41](#), [63/42](#), [64/56](#), [65/48](#), [66/29](#), [67/32](#), [68/30](#), [69/34](#), [70/55](#), [71/34](#), [72/53](#), [73/61](#), [74/61](#), [75/52](#), [76/26](#), [77/63](#) and [78/45](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to undertake the preparations necessary to convene the Fifth Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention, and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction” (resolution [78/45](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(m) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them**

At its fifty-second session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session the item entitled “Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and collecting them” (resolution [52/38 C](#)), which it had on its agenda at its fifty-third to fifty-ninth sessions (resolutions [53/77 B](#), [54/54 J](#), [55/33 F](#), [56/24 U](#), [57/70](#), [58/58](#) and [59/74](#)). At its sixtieth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled “Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them” (resolution [60/71](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its sixty-first session (resolutions [61/71](#), [62/22](#), [63/66](#), [64/30](#), [65/50](#), [66/34](#), [67/41](#), [68/34](#), [69/33](#), [70/29](#), [71/52](#), [72/40](#), [73/52](#), [74/51](#), [75/56](#), [76/32](#), [77/80](#) and [78/54](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/54](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/54](#)).

**(n) Treaty on a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Central Asia**

At its fifty-second session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to consider the question of the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia at its fifty-third session (resolution [52/38 S](#)). The Assembly considered the question at its fifty-third to sixty-first and sixty-third sessions (resolutions [53/77 A](#), [55/33 W](#), [57/69](#), [61/88](#) and [63/63](#) and decisions [54/417](#), [56/412](#), [58/518](#), [59/513](#) and [60/516](#)). At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-seventh session the item entitled “Treaty on a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Central Asia” (resolution [65/49](#)), which it has had on its agenda biennially since its sixty-seventh session (resolutions [67/31](#), [69/36](#), [71/65](#), [73/58](#), [75/67](#) and [77/70](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Treaty on a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Central Asia” (resolution [77/70](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(o) Reducing nuclear danger**

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session the item entitled “Reducing nuclear danger” (resolution [53/77 F](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-fourth session (resolutions [54/54 K](#), [55/33 N](#), [56/24 C](#), [57/84](#), [58/47](#), [59/79](#), [60/79](#), [61/85](#), [62/32](#), [63/47](#), [64/37](#), [65/60](#), [66/48](#), [67/45](#), [68/40](#), [69/40](#), [70/37](#), [71/37](#), [72/41](#), [73/56](#), [74/44](#), [75/57](#), [76/27](#), [77/74](#) and [78/44](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on efforts to contribute to the full implementation of the seven recommendations identified in the report of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters, and to continue to encourage Member States to consider the convening of an international conference, as proposed in the United Nations Millennium Declaration, so as to identify ways of eliminating nuclear dangers (resolution [78/44](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/44](#)).

**(p) The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects**

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session the item entitled “Illicit traffic in small arms” (resolution [53/77 T](#)), which it had on its agenda at its fifty-fourth and fifty-fifth sessions (resolutions [54/54 R](#) and [55/33 Q](#)). At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session the item entitled “The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects” (resolution [56/24 V](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [57/72](#), [58/241](#), [59/86](#), [60/81](#), [61/66](#), [62/47](#), [63/72](#), [64/50](#), [65/64](#), [66/47](#), [67/58](#), [68/48](#), [69/51](#), [70/49](#), [71/48](#), [72/57](#), [73/69](#), [74/60](#), [75/241](#), [76/232](#), [77/71](#) and [78/46](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to convene the fourth United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects in New York from 17 to 28 June 2024, to be preceded by the meeting of the preparatory committee in New York from 12 to 16 February 2024. The Assembly requested the Secretariat to prepare a comprehensive analysis, within existing resources, of progress in the trends, challenges and opportunities related to the implementation of the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument for presentation at the fourth Review Conference for consideration and appropriate follow-up, prior to which the findings and recommendations of the analysis would be shared with Member States in one or more informal meetings. The Assembly requested the Secretariat to report on support provided by the United Nations system for the implementation of the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument for presentation at upcoming meetings on the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/46](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/46](#)).



**(q) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments**

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session the item entitled “Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: the need for a new agenda” (resolution [53/77 Y](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fourth to fifty-eighth sessions (resolutions [54/54 G](#), [55/33 C](#), [57/59](#) and [58/51](#) and decision 56/411). At its fifty-ninth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixtieth session the item entitled “Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments” (resolution [59/75](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its sixtieth session (resolutions [60/56](#), [61/65](#), [62/25](#), [63/58](#), [64/57](#), [65/59](#), [66/40](#), [67/34](#), [68/39](#), [69/37](#), [70/51](#), [71/54](#), [72/39](#), [73/70](#), [74/46](#), [75/65](#), [76/49](#) and [78/42](#) and decision 77/516).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments” (resolution [78/42](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(r) Mongolia’s international security and nuclear-weapon-free status**

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled “Mongolia’s international security and nuclear-weapon-free status”, which has been on its agenda biennially since then (resolutions [53/77 D](#), [55/33 S](#), [57/67](#), [59/73](#), [61/87](#), [63/56](#), [65/70](#), [67/52](#), [69/63](#), [71/43](#), [73/44](#), [75/41](#) and [77/56](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/56](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/56](#)).

**(s) Missiles**

At its fifty-fourth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled “Missiles” (resolution [54/54 F](#)), which it had on its agenda annually at its fifty-fifth to sixty-third and sixty-fifth to sixty-ninth sessions and biennially at its seventy-first to seventy-seventh sessions (resolutions [55/33 A](#), [56/24 B](#), [57/71](#), [58/37](#), [59/67](#), [61/59](#) and [63/55](#) and decisions 60/515, 62/514, 65/517, 66/516, 67/516, 68/517, 69/517, 71/516, 73/513, 75/518 and 77/515).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Missiles” (decision 77/515).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(t) Disarmament and non-proliferation education**

At its fifty-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, requested the Secretary-General to prepare a study on disarmament and non-proliferation and to report to it thereon at its fifty-seventh session

(resolution [55/33](#) E). The Assembly has considered the question of disarmament and non-proliferation education biennially since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [57/60](#), [59/93](#), [61/73](#), [63/70](#), [65/77](#), [67/47](#), [69/65](#), [71/57](#), [73/59](#), [75/61](#) and [77/52](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the results of the implementation of the recommendations contained in the United Nations study and possible new opportunities for promoting disarmament and non-proliferation education (resolution [77/52](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/52](#)).

**(u) Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation**

At its fifty-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-eighth session the item entitled “Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation” (resolution [57/63](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-eighth session (resolutions [58/44](#), [59/69](#), [60/59](#), [61/62](#), [62/27](#), [63/50](#), [64/34](#), [65/54](#), [66/32](#), [67/38](#), [68/38](#), [69/54](#), [70/31](#), [71/61](#), [72/48](#), [73/41](#), [74/55](#), [75/47](#), [76/40](#), [77/48](#) and [78/26](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States on the issue of the promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation and to submit a report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/26](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/26](#)).

**(v) Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction**

At its fifty-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-eighth session the item entitled “Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction” (resolution [57/83](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-eighth session (resolutions [58/48](#), [59/80](#), [60/78](#), [61/86](#), [62/33](#), [63/60](#), [64/38](#), [65/62](#), [66/50](#), [67/44](#), [68/41](#), [69/39](#), [70/36](#), [71/38](#), [72/42](#), [73/55](#), [74/43](#), [75/58](#), [76/28](#), [77/75](#) and [78/43](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its seventy-ninth session on measures already taken by international organizations on issues relating to the linkage between the fight against terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and to seek the views of Member States on additional relevant measures for tackling the global threat posed by the acquisition by terrorists of weapons of mass destruction (resolution [78/43](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/43](#)).

**(w) Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context**

At its fifty-eighth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-ninth session the item entitled “Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context” (resolution [58/43](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-ninth session (resolutions [59/87](#), [60/64](#), [61/81](#), [62/45](#), [63/45](#), [64/43](#), [65/47](#), [66/38](#), [67/61](#), [68/55](#), [69/46](#), [70/42](#), [71/39](#), [72/33](#), [73/35](#), [74/39](#), [75/51](#), [76/43](#), [77/60](#) and [78/38](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its seventy-ninth session containing the views of Member States on

confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context (resolution [78/38](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General* (resolution [78/38](#)).

**(x) The Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation**

At its fifty-ninth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixtieth session the item entitled “The Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation” (resolution [59/91](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its sixtieth session and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-third session (resolutions [60/62](#), [63/64](#), [65/73](#), [67/42](#), [69/44](#), [71/33](#), [73/49](#), [75/60](#) and [77/58](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “The Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation” (resolution [77/58](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(y) Information on confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms**

At its fifty-ninth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixtieth session the item entitled “Information on confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms” (resolution [59/92](#)), which it had on its agenda at its sixtieth session and has had on its agenda biennially since its sixty-first session (resolutions [60/82](#), [61/79](#), [63/57](#), [65/63](#), [67/49](#), [69/64](#), [71/35](#), [73/51](#), [75/54](#) and [77/72](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Information on confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms” (resolution [77/72](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(z) Through-life conventional ammunition management**

At its fifty-ninth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixtieth session the item entitled “Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus” (decision [59/515](#)), which was considered at its sixtieth, sixty-first and sixty-third sessions and biennially from its sixty-fourth to seventy-fourth sessions and has been considered annually since its seventy-fifth session (resolutions [60/74](#), [61/72](#), [63/61](#), [64/51](#), [66/42](#), [68/52](#), [70/35](#), [72/55](#), [74/65](#), [76/233](#) and [78/47](#) and decisions [75/552](#) and [77/547](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to adopt the Global Framework for Through-life Conventional Ammunition Management and to convene a meeting of States in 2027 for two weeks (20 meetings), in New York, to review the implementation of the Global Framework. The Assembly also decided to convene a preparatory meeting of States in 2025 for five days (10 meetings), in New York, to explore possible options for the development of the process and modalities for the effective implementation of the Global Framework and to prepare for the Meeting of States in 2027. The Assembly further decided to establish a new standing dedicated fellowship training programme on through-life conventional ammunition management to be substantively developed and designed in 2025 and implemented annually starting in 2026 for a duration of four weeks in-person in four regions,

respectively, preceded by a preparatory self-paced online course, with the participation of 15 fellows from each of the four regions, Africa, Asia-Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean and other regions. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to implement the new mandates assigned to the Secretariat in the Global Framework and to strengthen the SaferGuard programme to implement the assigned mandates and to present the respective budgetary requirements in his next proposed programme budget. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to strengthen the SaferGuard programme, which served as the custodian of the International Ammunition Technical Guidelines, and to include the budgetary requirements in his next proposed programme budget and, in that regard, further requested the Secretary-General to review, update and translate into other official languages the Guidelines, on an ongoing basis, and to develop voluntary operational guidelines related to security aspects of the through-life management of conventional ammunition in the framework of the Guidelines under the SaferGuard programme. The Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Through-life conventional ammunition management” (resolution [78/47](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/47](#)).*

**(aa) Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities**

At its sixtieth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled “Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities” (resolution [60/66](#)), which it had on its agenda at its sixty-first to sixty-sixth sessions and has had on its agenda annually since its sixty-eighth session (resolutions [61/75](#), [62/43](#), [63/68](#), [64/49](#), [65/68](#), [68/50](#), [69/38](#), [70/53](#), [71/42](#), [72/56](#), [73/72](#), [74/67](#), [75/69](#), [76/55](#), [77/251](#) and [78/52](#) and decision [66/517](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to convene a joint half-day panel discussion of the Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee) and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to address possible challenges to space security and sustainability, and to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities” (resolution [78/52](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(bb) The Arms Trade Treaty**

At its sixty-first session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled “Towards an arms trade treaty: establishing common international standards for the import, export and transfer of conventional arms” (resolution [61/89](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its sixty-third, sixty-fourth and sixty-sixth sessions (resolutions [63/240](#) and [64/48](#) and decision [66/518](#)). At its sixty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “The Arms Trade Treaty” (resolution [67/234 A](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its sixty-eighth session (resolutions [68/31](#), [69/49](#), [70/58](#), [71/50](#), [72/44](#), [73/36](#), [74/49](#), [75/64](#), [76/50](#), [77/62](#) and [78/48](#)).

On 2 April 2013, the Assembly adopted the Arms Trade Treaty ([A/CONF.217/2013/L.3](#), annex), and requested the Secretary-General, as depositary of the Treaty, to open the Treaty for signature on 3 June 2013 (resolution [67/234 B](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “The Arms Trade Treaty”, and to review the implementation of the resolution at that session (resolution 78/48).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(cc) Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium**

At its sixty-second session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled “Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium” (resolution 62/30), which it has had on its agenda biennially since its sixty-third session (resolutions 63/54, 65/55, 67/36, 69/57, 71/70, 73/38, 75/42 and 77/49).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session an updated report on the subject (resolution 77/49).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/49).

**(dd) Preventing the acquisition by terrorists of radioactive sources**

At its sixtieth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled “Preventing the risk of radiological terrorism” (resolution 60/73).

At its sixty-second session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fourth session the item entitled “Preventing the acquisition by terrorists of radioactive materials and sources” (resolution 62/46), which it had on its agenda at its sixty-fourth session and has had on its agenda biennially since its sixty-fifth session (resolutions 65/74, 67/51, 69/50, 71/66, 73/66, 75/70 and 77/77 and decision 64/516).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Preventing the acquisition by terrorists of radioactive sources” (resolution 77/77).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(ee) Compliance with non-proliferation, arms limitation and disarmament agreements and commitments**

At its seventy-second session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fifth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Compliance with non-proliferation, arms limitation and disarmament agreements and commitments” (resolution 72/32).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Compliance with non-proliferation, arms limitation and disarmament agreements and commitments” (resolution 76/33).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(ff) Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control**

At its sixty-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-

seventh session the item entitled “Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control” (resolution [65/69](#)), which it had on its agenda at its sixty-seventh to sixty-ninth sessions and has had on its agenda biennially since its seventy-first session (resolutions [67/48](#), [68/33](#), [69/61](#), [71/56](#), [73/46](#), [75/48](#) and [77/55](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States on ways and means of promoting the role of women in disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control and to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/55](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/55](#)).

**(gg) Steps to building a common roadmap towards a world without nuclear weapons**

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-eighth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Steps to building a common roadmap towards a world without nuclear weapons” (resolution [77/76](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Steps to building a common roadmap towards a world without nuclear weapons” (resolution [78/40](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(hh) Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament**

At its sixty-eighth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session the sub-item entitled “Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament” (resolution [68/32](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its sixty-ninth session (resolutions [69/58](#), [70/34](#), [71/71](#), [72/251](#), [73/40](#), [74/54](#), [75/45](#), [76/36](#), [77/47](#) and [78/27](#) and decision [72/553](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly reiterated its request to the President of the Assembly to organize, on 26 September every year, a one-day high-level plenary meeting of the Assembly to commemorate and promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons, with the participation of Member and observer States, represented at the highest possible level, as well as with the participation of the President of the Assembly and the Secretary-General. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States with regard to achieving the objective of the total elimination of nuclear weapons, in particular on effective nuclear disarmament measures, including elements of a comprehensive convention on nuclear weapons, and to submit a report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session, and to transmit the report to the Conference on Disarmament (resolution [78/27](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/27](#)).

**(ii) Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability**

At its sixty-ninth session, the General Assembly decided to convene a joint ad hoc meeting of the Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee) and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to address possible challenges to space security and sustainability, and to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session, under the item entitled “General and

complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Joint ad hoc meeting of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability” (resolution [69/38](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to convene a joint half-day panel discussion of the Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee) and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to address possible challenges to space security and sustainability, and to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability” (resolution [78/52](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(jj) Countering the threat posed by improvised explosive devices**

At its seventieth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Countering the threat posed by improvised explosive devices” (resolution [70/46](#)), which it had on its agenda at its seventy-first to seventy-third sessions and has had on its agenda annually at its seventy-fifth to seventy-seventh sessions (resolutions [71/72](#), [72/36](#), [73/67](#), [75/59](#) and [77/64](#) and decision [76/516](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/64](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(kk) Humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons**

At its seventieth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons” (resolution [70/47](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its seventy-first session (resolutions [71/46](#), [72/30](#), [73/47](#), [74/42](#), [75/39](#), [76/30](#), [77/53](#) and [78/34](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons” (resolution [78/34](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(ll) Ethical imperatives for a nuclear-weapon-free world**

At its seventieth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Ethical imperatives for a nuclear-weapon-free world” (resolution [70/50](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its seventy-first session (resolutions [71/55](#), [72/37](#), [73/68](#), [74/47](#), [75/73](#), [76/25](#), [77/67](#) and [78/41](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Ethical imperatives for a nuclear-weapon-free world” (resolution [78/41](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(mm) Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions**

At its sixty-third session, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to render the necessary assistance and to provide such services as might be necessary to fulfil the tasks entrusted to him by the Convention on Cluster Munitions (resolution [63/71](#)). The Convention on Cluster Munitions was opened for signature on 3 December 2008 and entered into force on 1 August 2010.

At its seventieth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions” (resolution [70/54](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its seventy-first session (resolutions [71/45](#), [72/54](#), [73/54](#), [74/62](#), [75/62](#), [76/47](#), [77/79](#) and [78/32](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to convene the Meetings of States Parties to the Convention and to continue to render the necessary assistance and to provide such services as may be necessary to fulfil the tasks entrusted to him under the Convention and in the relevant decisions of the Meetings of States Parties and the second Review Conference, and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions” (resolution [78/32](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(nn) Universal Declaration on the Achievement of a Nuclear-Weapon-Free World**

At its seventieth session, the General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration on the Achievement of a Nuclear-Weapon-Free World, requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-third session on the implementation of the Declaration, and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Universal Declaration on the Achievement of a Nuclear-Weapon-Free World” (resolution [70/57](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States on the efforts that they had made and measures that they had taken with respect to the implementation of the Declaration, and to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the Declaration (resolution [76/48](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [76/48](#)).

**(oo) Nuclear disarmament verification**

At its seventy-first session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-second session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Nuclear disarmament verification” (resolution [71/67](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its seventy-second session (resolutions [74/50](#) and [78/239](#) and decisions [72/514](#), [73/514](#), [75/516](#), [76/515](#) and [77/514](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Nuclear disarmament verification” (resolution [78/239](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.



**(pp) Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**

At its sixty-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations” (resolution [67/56](#)), which it had on its agenda annually from its sixty-eighth to seventy-second sessions (resolutions [68/46](#), [69/41](#), [70/33](#), [71/258](#) and [72/31](#)). At its seventy-second session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons”, which it has had on its agenda annually since its seventy-third session (resolutions [73/48](#), [74/41](#), [75/40](#), [76/34](#), [77/54](#) and [78/35](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, as depositary of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the status of signature and ratification, acceptance, approval or accession of the Treaty (resolution [78/35](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/35](#)).

**(qq) Strengthening and developing the system of arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation treaties and agreements**

At its seventy-fourth session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fifth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Strengthening and developing the system of arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation treaties and agreements” (resolution [74/66](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Strengthening and developing the system of arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation treaties and agreements” (resolution [75/68](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Strengthening and developing the system of arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation treaties and agreements” (resolution [77/78](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**(rr) Addressing the legacy of nuclear weapons: providing victim assistance and environmental remediation to Member States affected by the use or testing of nuclear weapons**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to seek the views and proposals of Member States regarding efforts and ongoing needs related to victim assistance and environmental assessment and remediation, and to submit a substantive report, with an annex containing those views, to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session, for further discussion by Member States (resolution [78/240](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/240](#)).

**(ss) Lethal autonomous weapons systems**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States and observer States on lethal autonomous weapons systems, and to submit a report reflecting the full range of views received to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session for further discussion by Member States. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to invite the views of international and

regional organizations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, civil society, the scientific community and industry to include those views in the original language received in the annex of the aforementioned report (resolution [78/241](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/241](#)).

### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 99)**

Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/78/27](#))

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/116](#), [A/78/117](#), [A/78/118](#),  
[A/78/124](#), [A/78/126](#), [A/78/128](#),  
[A/78/132](#), [A/78/133](#), [A/78/138](#),  
[A/78/151](#), [A/78/164](#) and [A/78/165](#)

Notes by the Secretary-General:

Open-ended working group to elaborate a set of political commitments as a new global framework that will address existing gaps in through-life ammunition management ([A/78/111](#))

Group of Governmental Experts to further consider nuclear disarmament verification issues ([A/78/120](#))

Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction ([A/78/140](#))

Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/409</a>
Reports of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/650</a> , <a href="#">A/78/652</a> and <a href="#">A/78/656</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a> and <a href="#">50 (Resumption 1)</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">77/44</a> to <a href="#">77/80</a> , <a href="#">77/251</a> and <a href="#">78/239</a> to <a href="#">78/241</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/541</a>

## **99. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly**

### **(a) United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services**

At its twelfth special session, the General Assembly decided to include the item entitled “United Nations programme of fellowships on disarmament: report of the Secretary-General” in the agenda of its thirty-seventh session (decision S-12/24). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-seventh to forty-first sessions (resolutions [37/100 G](#), [38/73 C](#), [39/63 B](#), [40/151 H](#) and [41/60 H](#)). At its forty-second session, it decided to rename the three programmes consolidated pursuant to paragraph 3 of resolution [40/151 H](#) “the United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme” (resolution [42/39 I](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-third to fiftieth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-first session (resolutions [43/76 F](#), [44/117 E](#), [45/59 A](#), [46/37 E](#), [47/53 A](#), [48/76 C](#), [49/76 B](#), [50/71 A](#), [51/46 F](#), [53/78 G](#), [55/34 C](#), [57/93](#), [59/97](#), [61/91](#), [63/79](#), [65/82](#), [67/68](#), [69/75](#), [71/73](#), [73/73](#), [75/74](#) and [77/81](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to implement annually the programme within existing resources and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [77/81](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/81](#)).

**(b) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons**

At its thirty-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-eighth session the item entitled “Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons” (resolution [37/100](#) C), which it has had on its agenda annually since its thirty-eighth session (resolutions [38/73](#) G, [39/63](#) H, [40/151](#) F, [41/60](#) F, [42/39](#) C, [43/76](#) E, [44/117](#) C, [45/59](#) B, [46/37](#) D, [47/53](#) C, [48/76](#) B, [49/76](#) E, [50/71](#) E, [51/46](#) D, [52/39](#) C, [53/78](#) D, [54/55](#) D, [55/34](#) G, [56/25](#) B, [57/94](#), [58/64](#), [59/102](#), [60/88](#), [61/97](#), [62/51](#), [63/75](#), [64/59](#), [65/80](#), [66/57](#), [67/64](#), [68/58](#), [69/69](#), [70/62](#), [71/75](#), [72/59](#), [73/74](#), [74/68](#), [75/75](#), [76/56](#), [77/82](#) and [78/55](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly reiterated its request to the Conference on Disarmament to commence negotiations in order to reach agreement on an international convention prohibiting the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons under any circumstances, and requested the Conference to report to it on the results of those negotiations (resolution [78/55](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/79/27](#)).

**(c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa**

At its fortieth session, the General Assembly decided to establish, as at 1 January 1986, within the framework of the Secretariat, the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa (resolution [40/151](#) G). The Assembly had the item entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa” on its agenda at its forty-first to forty-third sessions (resolutions [41/60](#) D, [42/39](#) J and [43/76](#) D).

The Assembly considered the question at its forty-fourth to fifty-first sessions jointly with two other sub-items, entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific” and “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean” (resolutions [44/117](#) F, [45/59](#) E, [46/37](#) F, [48/76](#) E, [49/76](#) D, [50/71](#) C and D and [51/46](#) B and E and decision [47/421](#)). At its fifty-third session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session the item entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa” (resolution [53/78](#) C), which it had on its agenda at its fifty-fourth to sixty-fourth sessions and has had on its agenda annually since its sixty-sixth session (resolutions [54/55](#) B, [55/34](#) D, [56/25](#) D, [57/91](#), [58/61](#), [59/101](#), [60/86](#), [61/93](#), [62/216](#), [63/80](#), [64/62](#), [66/58](#), [67/69](#), [68/61](#), [69/74](#), [70/66](#), [71/76](#), [72/60](#), [73/75](#), [74/71](#), [75/76](#), [76/57](#), [77/83](#) and [78/56](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/56](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/56](#)).

**(d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean**

At its forty-first session, the General Assembly decided to establish, as at 1 January 1987, the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America (resolution 41/60 J). The Assembly had the item entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America” on its agenda at its forty-second session (resolution 42/39 K).

At its forty-third session, the Assembly decided to rename the Centre the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (resolution 43/76 H).

The Assembly considered the question at its forty-fourth to fifty-first sessions jointly with two other sub-items, entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa” and “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia” (resolutions 44/117 F, 45/59 E, 46/37 F, 48/76 E, 49/76 D, 50/71 C and D and 51/46 E and decision 47/421). At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean” (resolution 54/55 F), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-fifth session (resolutions 55/34 E, 56/25 E, 57/89, 58/60, 59/99, 60/84, 61/92, 62/49, 63/74, 64/60, 65/79, 66/54, 67/66, 68/60, 69/72, 70/63, 71/77, 72/61, 73/76, 74/72, 75/77, 76/58, 77/84 and 78/57).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution 78/57).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/57).

**(e) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific**

At its forty-second session, the General Assembly decided to establish the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia (resolution 42/39 D) and had the item entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia” on its agenda at its forty-third session (resolution 43/76 G).

At its forty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to rename the Centre the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific (resolution 44/117 F).

The Assembly considered the question at its forty-fourth to fifty-first sessions jointly with two other sub-items, entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean” and “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa” (resolutions 44/117 F, 45/59 E, 46/37 F, 48/76 E, 49/76 D, 50/71 C and D and 51/46 B and decision 47/421). At its fifty-second session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session the item entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific” (resolution 52/39 A), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-third session (resolutions 53/78 B, 54/55 C, 55/34 H, 56/25 F, 57/92, 58/62, 59/100, 60/85, 61/94, 62/52, 63/77, 64/63, 65/83, 66/56, 67/65, 68/59, 69/68, 70/65, 71/78, 72/62, 73/77, 74/69, 75/78, 76/59, 77/85 and 78/58).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution 78/58).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/58).

**(f) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa**

On 28 May 1992, the Secretary-General established the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa, pursuant to the request made by the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session (resolution 46/37 B).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly called upon the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution 78/59).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/59).

**(g) United Nations Disarmament Information Programme**

At its twelfth special session, the General Assembly launched the World Disarmament Campaign, and decided to include the item entitled “World Disarmament Campaign” in the agenda of its thirty-seventh session (decision S-12/24). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-seventh to forty-sixth sessions (resolutions 37/100 H to J, 38/73 D and F, 39/63 A, D and J, 40/151 B and D, 41/60 A and B, 42/39 G, 43/76 C, 44/117 A, 45/59 C and 46/37 A). At its forty-seventh session, the Assembly decided that the World Disarmament Campaign should be known thereafter as the “United Nations Disarmament Information Programme” and also decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-eighth session the item entitled “United Nations Disarmament Information Programme” (resolution 47/53 D), which it had on its agenda at its forty-eighth session and has had on its agenda biennially since its forty-ninth session (resolutions 48/76 D, 49/76 A, 51/46 A, 53/78 E, 55/34 A, 57/90, 59/103, 61/95, 63/81, 65/81, 67/67, 69/71, 71/74, 73/79, 75/80 and 77/87).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report covering both the implementation of the activities of the United Nations Disarmament Information Programme by the United Nations system during the previous two years and the activities of the Programme contemplated by the system for the following two years (resolution 77/87).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/87).

**(h) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament**

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session the item entitled “United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament” (resolution 53/78 F), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fifty-fourth session (resolutions 54/55 E, 55/34 F, 56/25 C, 57/87, 58/63, 59/98, 60/83, 61/90, 62/50, 63/76, 64/58, 65/78, 66/53, 67/63, 68/57, 69/70, 70/61, 71/80, 72/64, 73/80, 74/70, 75/81, 76/61, 77/88 and 78/60).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly”, the sub-item entitled “United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament” (resolution 78/60).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 100)**

Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27	( <a href="#">A/77/27</a> )
Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/115</a> and <a href="#">A/77/117</a>
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/77/PV.2–32</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/77/386</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.46</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">77/81</a> to <a href="#">77/88</a>

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 100)**

Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27	( <a href="#">A/78/27</a> )
Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/123</a> , <a href="#">A/78/153</a> , <a href="#">A/78/152</a> and <a href="#">A/78/266</a>
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/410</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/55</a> to <a href="#">78/60</a>

**100. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session**

At its tenth special session, the General Assembly decided to include the item entitled “Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session” in the provisional agenda of its thirty-third session (resolution [S-10/2](#), para. 115). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-third session (resolutions [33/71](#) A to N, [34/83](#) A to M, [35/152](#) A to J, [36/92](#) A to M, [37/78](#) A to K, [38/183](#) A to P, [39/148](#) A to R, [40/18](#), [40/152](#) A to Q, [41/86](#) A to R, [42/42](#) A to N, [43/78](#) A to M, [44/119](#) A to H, [45/62](#) A to G, [46/38](#) A to D, [47/54](#) A to G, [48/77](#) A and B, [49/77](#) A to D, [50/72](#) A to C, [51/47](#) A to C, [52/40](#) A to C, [53/79](#) A and B, [54/56](#) A and B, [55/35](#) A to C, [56/26](#) A and B, [57/95](#), [57/96](#), [58/66](#), [58/67](#), [59/104](#), [59/105](#), [60/89](#) to [60/91](#), [61/98](#), [61/99](#), [62/54](#), [62/55](#), [63/82](#), [63/83](#), [64/64](#), [64/65](#), [65/85](#) to [65/87](#), [66/59](#), [66/60](#), [67/71](#), [67/72](#), [68/63](#), [68/64](#), [69/76](#), [69/77](#), [70/67](#) to [70/69](#), [71/81](#), [71/82](#), [72/65](#), [72/66](#), [73/81](#), [73/82](#), [74/74](#), [75/82](#), [75/83](#), [76/62](#), [77/89](#), [77/90](#), [78/61](#) and [78/62](#) and decisions [34/422](#), [39/423](#), [40/428](#), [41/421](#), [47/422](#), [54/418](#), [74/511](#), [74/546](#), [75/519](#) A and B and [76/518](#)).

**(a) Report of the Conference on Disarmament**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly requested the Conference on Disarmament to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on its work (resolution [78/61](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/79/27](#)).

**(b) Report of the Disarmament Commission**

At its seventy-eighth session, the General Assembly requested the Disarmament Commission to submit a substantive report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session (resolution [78/62](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Disarmament Commission: Supplement No. 42 ([A/79/42](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 101)**

Report of the Conference on Disarmament: Supplement No. 27 ([A/78/27](#))

Report of the Secretary-General ([A/78/287](#))

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research ([A/78/163](#))

Verbatim records [A/C.1/78/PV.2–30](#)

Report of the First Committee [A/78/576](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.42](#)

Resolutions [78/61](#) and [78/62](#)

**101. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East**

This item, previously referred to as “Israeli nuclear armament”, was included in the agenda of the thirty-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of Iraq ([A/34/142](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-fourth session (resolutions [34/89](#), [35/157](#), [36/98](#), [37/82](#), [38/69](#), [39/147](#), [40/93](#), [41/93](#), [42/44](#), [43/80](#), [44/121](#), [45/63](#), [46/39](#), [47/55](#), [48/78](#), [49/78](#), [50/73](#), [51/48](#), [52/41](#), [53/80](#), [54/57](#), [55/36](#), [56/27](#), [57/97](#), [58/68](#), [59/106](#), [60/92](#), [61/103](#), [62/56](#), [63/84](#), [64/66](#), [65/88](#), [66/61](#), [67/73](#), [68/65](#), [69/78](#), [70/70](#), [71/83](#), [72/67](#), [73/83](#), [74/75](#), [75/84](#), [76/63](#), [77/91](#) and [78/63](#) and decision [73/546](#)).

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to convene annual sessions of a conference on the establishment of a Middle East zone free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction and to report annually to the Assembly on developments in this regard (decision [73/546](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [78/63](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolution [78/63](#) and decision [73/546](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 102)**

Reports of the Secretary-General [A/78/81](#), [A/78/205 \(Part I\)](#) and [A/78/205 \(Part II\)](#)

Verbatim records [A/C.1/78/PV.2–30](#)

Report of the First Committee [A/78/411](#)

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.42](#)

Resolution [78/63](#)

## 102. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects

The General Assembly first considered this question at its twenty-seventh session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament” (resolution [2932 A \(XXVII\)](#)). At its twenty-eighth to thirty-eighth sessions, the Assembly considered the question under agenda items relating to certain conventions (resolutions [3076 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3255 A and B \(XXIX\)](#), [3464 \(XXX\)](#), [31/64](#), [32/152](#), [33/70](#), [34/82](#), [35/153](#), [36/93](#), [37/79](#) and [38/60](#)). At its thirty-ninth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fortieth session the item entitled “Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects” (resolution [39/56](#)), which it has had on its agenda annually since its fortieth session (resolutions [40/84](#), [41/50](#), [42/30](#), [43/67](#), [45/64](#), [46/40](#), [47/56](#), [48/79](#), [49/79](#), [50/74](#), [51/49](#), [52/42](#), [53/81](#), [54/58](#), [55/37](#), [56/28](#), [57/98](#), [58/69](#), [59/107](#), [60/93](#), [61/100](#), [62/57](#), [63/85](#), [64/67](#), [65/89](#), [66/62](#), [67/74](#), [68/66](#), [69/79](#), [70/71](#), [71/84](#), [72/68](#), [73/84](#), [74/76](#), [75/85](#), [76/64](#), [77/92](#) and [78/64](#) and decision 44/430).

The Assembly welcomed the adoption, on 10 October 1980, of the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects, the Protocol on Non-detectable Fragments (Protocol I), the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby Traps and Other Devices (Protocol II) and the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Incendiary Weapons (Protocol III) (resolution [35/153](#)). The Convention was opened for signature on 10 April 1981 and entered into force, with the three annexed Protocols, on 2 December 1983. The Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons (Protocol IV) entered into force on 30 July 1998. The Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War (Protocol V) entered into force on 12 November 2006.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects” (resolution [78/64](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 103)

Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/412</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/64</a>

## 103. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region

At its thirty-seventh session, the General Assembly, in the course of its consideration of the item entitled “Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security”, decided to include the item entitled “Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region” in the provisional agenda of its thirty-eighth session (resolution [37/118](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-eighth session (resolutions [38/189](#), [39/153](#), [40/157](#), [41/89](#), [42/90](#), [43/84](#), [44/125](#), [45/79](#), [46/42](#), [47/58](#), [48/81](#), [49/81](#),



50/75, 51/50, 52/43, 53/82, 54/59, 55/38, 56/29, 57/99, 58/70, 59/108, 60/94, 61/101, 62/58, 63/86, 64/68, 65/90, 66/63, 67/75, 68/67, 69/80, 70/72, 71/85, 72/69, 73/85, 74/77, 75/86, 76/65, 77/93 and 78/65).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on means to strengthen security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region (resolution 78/65).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 78/65).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 104)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/115</a>
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/413</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/65</a>

### **104. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty**

The question of the cessation of nuclear tests, independently of agreement on other disarmament measures, was discussed by the General Assembly as early as the ninth session.

At its thirty-fifth session, the Assembly requested the Committee on Disarmament to initiate substantive negotiations on a comprehensive test-ban treaty as a matter of highest priority at the beginning of its 1981 session (resolution 35/145 B).

The Assembly has considered the question annually since its thirty-sixth session (resolutions 36/85, 37/73, 38/63, 39/53, 40/81, 41/47, 42/27, 43/64, 44/107, 45/51, 46/29, 47/47, 48/70, 49/70, 50/65, 54/63, 55/41, 57/100, 58/71, 59/109, 60/95, 61/104, 62/59, 63/87, 64/69, 65/91, 66/64, 67/76, 68/68, 69/81, 70/73, 71/86, 72/70, 73/86, 74/78, 75/87, 76/66 and 77/94 and decisions 51/413, 52/414, 53/422 and 56/415).

On 10 September 1996, the Assembly adopted the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, as contained in document [A/50/1027](#) (resolution 50/245). On 24 September 1996, the Secretary-General, as its depositary, opened the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty for signature at United Nations Headquarters.

At its fifty-fourth session, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization”, the Assembly approved the Agreement to Regulate the Relationship between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, article IV, paragraph 1, of which stipulated that the Commission should, within its competence and in accordance with the provisions of the Treaty, keep the United Nations informed of its activities, and might submit through the Secretary-General of the United Nations reports thereon on a regular or ad hoc basis to the principal organs of the United Nations concerned (resolution 54/280, annex).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty” (resolution 78/66).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 105)**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization ([A/78/139](#))

Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/414</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/66</a>

### **105. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction**

Various aspects of the question of chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons have been considered by the General Assembly at different times under several items. At the twenty-first to twenty-third sessions, the question was considered under the item on general and complete disarmament. The item entitled “Question of chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons” was first included in the agenda of the Assembly at its twenty-fourth session.

The Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction entered into force on 26 March 1975.

The Assembly has considered the question annually since its twenty-fourth session (resolutions [2603 \(XXIV\)](#), [2662 \(XXV\)](#), [2826 \(XXVI\)](#), [2933 \(XXVII\)](#), [3077 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3256 \(XXIX\)](#), [3465 \(XXX\)](#), [31/65](#), [32/77](#), [33/59 B](#), [34/72](#), [35/144 A to C](#), [36/96 A to C](#), [37/98 A, C and D](#), [38/187 A to C](#), [39/65 A to E](#), [40/92 A to C](#), [41/58 A to D](#), [42/37 A to C](#), [43/74 A to C](#), [44/115 A to C](#), [45/57 A to C](#), [46/35 A to C](#), [47/39](#), [48/65](#), [49/86](#), [50/79](#), [51/54](#), [52/47](#), [53/84](#), [54/61](#), [55/40](#), [58/72](#), [59/110](#), [60/96](#), [61/102](#), [62/60](#), [63/88](#), [64/70](#), [65/92](#), [66/65](#), [67/77](#), [68/69](#), [69/82](#), [70/74](#), [71/87](#), [72/71](#), [73/87](#), [74/79](#), [75/88](#), [76/67](#), [77/95](#) and [78/67](#) and decisions [56/414](#) and [57/516](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction” (resolution [78/67](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 106)**

Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/78/PV.2–30</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/78/415</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/67</a>

## 106. Promoting international cooperation on peaceful uses in the context of international security

At its seventy-sixth session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session the item entitled “Promoting international cooperation on peaceful uses in the context of international security” (resolution [76/234](#)). At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Promoting international cooperation on peaceful uses in the context of international security” (resolution [77/96](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

### References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 107)

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/96</a>
Verbatim records	<a href="#">A/C.1/77/PV.2–32</a>
Report of the First Committee	<a href="#">A/77/393</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.46</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/96</a>

## H. Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations

### 107. Crime prevention and criminal justice

At its twenty-sixth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Criminality and social change”, decided to consider the question of crime prevention and control in depth at its twenty-seventh session (resolution [2843 \(XXVI\)](#)). The Assembly had the item entitled “Crime prevention and control” on its agenda at its twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth, thirty-second and thirty-fifth sessions (resolutions [3021 \(XXVII\)](#), [3139 \(XXVIII\)](#), [32/58](#) to [32/61](#) and [35/170](#) to [35/173](#) and decision [35/437](#)). At its thirty-fifth session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session an item entitled “Crime prevention and criminal justice and development” (resolution [35/171](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at that session (resolutions [36/21](#) and [36/22](#)). At its thirty-ninth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fortieth session an item entitled “Crime prevention and criminal justice” (resolution [39/112](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fortieth session (resolutions [40/32](#) to [40/37](#), [41/107](#), [42/59](#), [43/99](#), [44/71](#), [44/72](#), [45/107](#) to [45/123](#), [46/152](#), [46/153](#), [47/87](#), [47/89](#), [47/91](#), [48/101](#) to [48/103](#), [49/156](#) to [49/159](#), [50/145](#) to [50/147](#), [51/59](#) to [51/63](#), [52/85](#) to [52/91](#), [53/110](#) to [53/114](#), [54/125](#) to [54/131](#), [55/25](#), [55/59](#) to [55/64](#), [55/255](#), [56/119](#) to [56/123](#), [56/260](#), [56/261](#), [57/168](#) to [57/173](#), [58/4](#), [58/135](#) to [58/140](#), [59/151](#) to [59/159](#), [60/175](#) to [60/177](#), [61/179](#) to [61/182](#), [62/172](#) to [62/175](#), [63/193](#) to [63/196](#), [64/177](#) to [64/181](#), [64/293](#) (United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons), [65/227](#) to [65/232](#), [66/177](#) to [66/182](#), [67/184](#) to [67/192](#), [67/260](#), [68/185](#) to [68/195](#), [69/191](#) to [69/199](#), [70/174](#) to [70/180](#), [71/206](#) to [71/209](#), [71/287](#), [71/319](#), [71/322](#), [72/1](#) (political declaration on the implementation of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons), [72/192](#) to [72/196](#), [73/183](#) to [73/191](#), [74/170](#) to [74/177](#), [74/276](#), [75/194](#) to [75/197](#), [75/283](#), [76/7](#) (2021 Political Declaration on the Implementation of the United Nations Global Plan

of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons), [76/181](#) to [76/187](#), [77/231](#) to [77/237](#), [78/223](#) to [78/229](#) and [78/267](#) and decisions 59/523, 60/536, 61/531, 63/536, 65/538, 66/539, 67/540, 68/537, 69/537, 70/535, 71/537, 72/535, 73/527, 74/550 A and B, 75/562, 76/511 and 76/513).

At its fifth session, the Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to make arrangements to transfer the functions of the International Penal and Penitentiary Commission to the United Nations. Among the functions assumed by the United Nations was the convening every five years of an international congress on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders, similar to those previously organized by the Commission (resolution [415 \(V\)](#)).

At its thirty-second special session, held from 2 to 4 June 2021, the Assembly adopted the political declaration entitled “Our common commitment to effectively addressing challenges and implementing measures to prevent and combat corruption and strengthen international cooperation” (resolution [S-32/1](#), annex).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, within existing reporting obligations, to include in his report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session under the item on crime prevention and criminal justice an analytical section entitled “Preventing and combating corrupt practices and the transfer of proceeds of corruption, facilitating asset recovery and returning such assets to legitimate owners, in particular to countries of origin, in accordance with the United Nations Convention against Corruption”, and also requested the Secretary-General to transmit to the Assembly the report of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on its tenth session (resolution [77/235](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution entitled “Strengthening and promoting effective measures and international cooperation on organ donation and transplantation to prevent and combat trafficking in persons for the purpose of organ removal and trafficking in human organs”, subject to extrabudgetary resources, and decided to continue its consideration of the question at its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Crime prevention and criminal justice” (resolution [77/236](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution entitled “United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders”, including recommendations on further strengthening the capacity of the Institute (resolution [77/234](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes”, were made by 49 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.5](#) and [6](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution entitled “Follow-up to the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations for the Fifteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice” (resolution [78/223](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the mandates of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, reflecting also emerging policy issues and possible responses (resolution [78/229](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its thirty-third session: Supplement No. 10 ([E/2024/30](#));
- (b) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [77/234](#), [77/236](#), [78/223](#) and [78/229](#));
- (c) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption on its tenth session, held in Atlanta, United States of America, from 11 to 15 December 2023 (resolution [77/235](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 107)**

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its thirty-second session: Supplement No. 10 ([E/2023/30](#))

Reports of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/119</a> , <a href="#">A/78/159</a> and <a href="#">A/78/264</a>
Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/122</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.5</a> , <a href="#">6</a> , <a href="#">47</a> , <a href="#">50</a> , <a href="#">51</a> and <a href="#">56</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/482</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/223</a> to <a href="#">78/229</a>

**108. Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes**

The item entitled “Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes” was first included in the agenda of the General Assembly at its seventy-third session (resolution [73/187](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-third session (resolutions [73/187](#), [74/247](#) and [75/282](#) and decisions [74/567](#), [75/539](#), [75/555](#), [76/536](#), [76/552](#), [77/543](#) and [78/538](#)).

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly decided to establish an open-ended ad hoc intergovernmental committee of experts, representative of all regions, to elaborate a comprehensive international convention on countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes, taking into full consideration existing international instruments and efforts at the national, regional and international levels on combating the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes, in particular the work and outcomes of the open-ended intergovernmental Expert Group to Conduct a Comprehensive Study on Cybercrime. It also decided to examine the question at its seventy-fifth session under the item entitled “Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes” (resolution [74/247](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided that the Ad Hoc Committee to Elaborate a Comprehensive International Convention on Countering the Use of Information and Communications Technologies for Criminal Purposes should convene at least six sessions, of 10 days each, and conclude its work in order to provide a draft convention to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session. It also decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-sixth to seventy-eighth sessions the item entitled “Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes” (resolution [75/282](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the item entitled “Crime prevention and criminal justice”, were made by 49 delegations (see [A/C.3/78/SR.5](#) and [6](#)).

At the same session, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, the Assembly approved the programme of work of the Third Committee for the seventy-ninth session, which contained the item entitled “Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes” (decision 78/539).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda items 108 and 120)**

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.3/78/SR.5</a> and <a href="#">6</a>
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/78/483</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.50</a>
Decisions	78/538 and 78/539

### **109. International drug control**

The item entitled “International campaign against traffic in drugs” was included in the agenda of the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Bolivia ([A/36/193](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-sixth to forty-fourth sessions (resolutions [36/132](#), [37/198](#), [38/122](#), [39/141](#) to [39/143](#), [40/120](#) to [40/122](#), [41/125](#) to [41/127](#), [42/111](#) to [42/113](#), [43/120](#) to [43/122](#) and [44/140](#) to [44/142](#) and decisions [42/422](#) and [44/434](#)). At its forty-fifth session, the Assembly had the item entitled “International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking” on its agenda (resolutions [45/146](#) to [45/149](#) and [45/179](#)). At its forty-sixth and forty-seventh sessions, the Assembly had the item entitled “Narcotic drugs” on its agenda (resolutions [46/101](#) to [46/104](#) and [47/97](#) to [47/102](#)). The Assembly had the item entitled “International drug control” on its agenda annually from its forty-eighth to seventy-seventh sessions (resolutions [48/12](#), [48/112](#), [49/168](#), [50/148](#), [51/64](#), [52/92](#), [53/115](#), [54/132](#), [55/65](#), [56/124](#), [57/174](#), [58/141](#), [59/160](#) to [59/163](#), [60/178](#), [60/179](#), [61/183](#), [62/176](#), [63/197](#), [64/182](#), [65/227](#), [65/233](#), [66/183](#), [67/193](#), [68/196](#), [68/197](#), [69/200](#), [69/201](#), [70/181](#), [70/182](#), [71/210](#), [71/211](#), [72/197](#), [72/198](#), [73/192](#), [74/178](#), [75/198](#), [76/188](#) and [77/238](#) and decision [69/538](#)). At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly biennialized the consideration of the item (resolution [77/238](#)).

At its twentieth special session, devoted to countering the world drug problem, the Assembly adopted the Political Declaration (resolution [S-20/2](#), annex), the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction (resolution [S-20/3](#), annex) and measures to enhance international cooperation to counter the world drug problem (resolutions [S-20/4](#) A to E). At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly adopted the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction (resolution [54/132](#), annex).

At its thirtieth special session, on the world drug problem, the Assembly adopted the outcome document entitled “Our joint commitment to effectively addressing and countering the world drug problem” (resolution [S-30/1](#), annex).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Third Committee, where statements in the joint general discussion, with the items entitled “Crime prevention and criminal justice” and “Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes”, were made by 48 delegations (see [A/C.3/77/SR.5](#) and [6](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution entitled “Addressing and countering the world drug problem through a comprehensive, integrated and balanced approach”, including a focus on international cooperation to address and counter the world drug problem (resolution [77/238](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/238](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 111)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/137</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.3/77/SR.5</a> , 6 and 55
Report of the Third Committee	<a href="#">A/77/466</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.54</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/238</a>

### **110. Measures to eliminate international terrorism**

The item entitled “Measures to prevent international terrorism which endangers or takes innocent human lives or jeopardizes fundamental freedoms, and study of the underlying causes of those forms of terrorism and acts of violence which lie in misery, frustration, grievance and despair and which cause some people to sacrifice human lives, including their own, in an attempt to effect radical changes” was included in the agenda of the twenty-seventh session of the General Assembly further to an initiative of the Secretary-General ([A/8791](#), [A/8791/Add.1](#) and [A/8791/Add.1/Corr.1](#)). At that session, the Assembly decided to establish the Ad Hoc Committee on International Terrorism, consisting of 35 members (resolution [3034 \(XXVII\)](#)).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-first session and biennially from its thirty-second to forty-eighth sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since then, changing its title to “Measures to eliminate international terrorism” at its forty-sixth session (resolutions [31/102](#), [31/103](#), [32/147](#), [32/148](#), [33/19](#), [34/145](#), [34/146](#) (International Convention against the Taking of Hostages), [36/109](#), [38/130](#), [40/61](#), [42/159](#), [44/29](#), [46/51](#), [49/60](#) (Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism), [50/53](#), [51/210](#) (Declaration to Supplement the 1994 Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism), [52/164](#) (International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings), [52/165](#), [53/108](#), [54/109](#) (International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism), [54/110](#), [55/158](#), [56/88](#), [57/27](#), [58/81](#), [59/46](#), [59/290](#) (International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism), [60/43](#), [61/40](#), [62/71](#), [63/129](#), [64/118](#), [65/34](#), [66/105](#), [67/99](#), [68/119](#), [69/127](#), [70/120](#), [71/151](#), [72/123](#), [73/211](#), [74/194](#), [75/145](#), [76/121](#), [77/113](#) and [78/115](#) and decision 48/411).

At its fiftieth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit an annual report on the implementation of paragraph 10 of the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism (resolution [50/53](#)).

At its fifty-first session, the Assembly established an ad hoc committee to elaborate an international convention for the suppression of terrorist bombings and, subsequently, an international convention for the suppression of acts of nuclear terrorism, to supplement related existing international instruments, and thereafter to address means of further developing a comprehensive legal framework of conventions dealing with international terrorism (resolution [51/210](#)).

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly decided that the ad hoc committee should also address the question of convening a high-level conference under the auspices of the United Nations to formulate a joint organized response of the international community to terrorism in all its forms and manifestations (resolution [54/110](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 93 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.1–5](#)). The Assembly decided to recommend that the Sixth Committee, at the seventy-ninth session of the 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 resolution [54/110](#) concerning the question of convening a high-level conference under the auspices of the United Nations, recognized the valuable dialogue and efforts of Member States towards resolving any outstanding issues, and encouraged all Member States to redouble their efforts during the intersessional period (resolution [78/115](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolutions [50/53](#) and [78/115](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 109)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/221</a>
Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.1–5</a> , <a href="#">36</a> and <a href="#">37</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/443</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/115</a>

## **I. Organizational, administrative and other matters**

### **111. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization**

Article 98 of the Charter of the United Nations requires the Secretary-General to make an annual report to the General Assembly on the work of the Organization. That report is included in the provisional agenda of the Assembly pursuant to rules 13 (a) and 48 of the rules of procedure and to resolution [51/241](#). Under section II of the annex to that resolution, the Secretary-General is requested to introduce the report orally at an appropriate time under this item; the introduction to the report should be in the nature of an executive summary highlighting main issues; and the report shall be considered in plenary meetings of the Assembly immediately after the general debate (paras. 4, 7 and 10). Pursuant to those provisions, and as at previous sessions, the Secretary-General wishes to make a brief presentation of the report as the first item in the morning prior to the opening of the general debate. Pursuant to resolution [55/285](#), the President of the General Assembly, after consideration by the Assembly of the report, shall inform the Assembly of the President's assessment of the debate on the report in order for the Assembly to determine the need for further action. The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its first session (resolutions [37/67](#), [47/120 A and B](#), [49/143](#), [55/281](#), [56/512](#), [57/337](#) and [57/338](#), decisions adopted at the eighteenth to thirtieth sessions and decisions [31/417](#), [32/432](#), [33/427](#), [34/441](#), [35/433](#), [36/437](#), [38/410](#), [39/413](#), [40/417](#), [41/410](#), [42/404](#), [43/404](#), [44/404](#), [45/404](#), [46/404](#), [47/407](#), [48/405](#), [49/406](#), [50/405](#), [51/404](#), [51/474](#), [51/475](#), [52/410](#), [53/404](#), [54/408](#), [55/404](#), [56/404](#), [57/504](#), [57/586](#), [58/506](#), [59/504](#), [60/504](#), [61/504](#), [62/504](#), [63/504](#), [64/504](#), [65/505](#), [66/505](#), [67/506](#), [68/507](#), [69/506](#), [70/508](#), [71/505](#), [72/505](#), [73/505](#), [74/542 A and B](#), [75/556 A and B](#), [76/553 A and B](#), [77/507 A, B and C](#) and [78/545 A and B](#)).



At its forty-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report annually to the Assembly on the implementation of Article 50 of the Charter (resolution [47/120 B](#)).

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, requested the President of the Assembly to reconsider the timing of the plenary meetings of the Assembly on the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization, in close coordination with the Secretary-General, so that discussion of this important report is not conducted in a perfunctory manner (resolution [73/341](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, requested the President to continue scheduling the plenary meetings of the Assembly on the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization in close coordination with the Secretary-General so as to avoid overlap with other important and related events on the same day, including, notably, the election of the non-permanent members of the Security Council, so that discussions of those important reports were no longer conducted in a perfunctory manner (resolution [77/335](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Secretary-General introduced the report orally (see [A/78/PV.4](#)) pursuant to decision 78/503, adopted under the item entitled “Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: reports of the General Committee”, in which the Assembly had, pursuant to resolution [51/241](#) and as at previous sessions, approved that the Secretary-General make a brief presentation of his annual report as the first item in the morning prior to the opening of the general debate. The Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President, the Secretary-General and 15 delegations (see [A/78/PV.54](#), [54 \(Resumption 1\)](#) and [55](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: Supplement No. 1 ([A/79/1](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 113)**

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: Supplement No. 1 ([A/78/1](#))

Plenary meetings [A/78/PV.4](#), [54](#), [54 \(Resumption 1\)](#) and [55](#)

Decisions [78/545 A](#) and [B](#)

## **114. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs**

### **(a) Election of non-permanent members of the Security Council**

In accordance with Article 23 of the Charter, as amended,<sup>5</sup> the Security Council consists of five permanent members (China, France, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America) and 10 non-permanent members elected by the General Assembly for a term of two years. In accordance with rule 142 of the rules of procedure, the Assembly elects each year five non-permanent members of the Council. At its eighteenth session, the Assembly

<sup>5</sup> By an amendment dated 17 December 1963 (resolution [1991 A \(XVIII\)](#)), which came into force on 31 August 1965, the Assembly increased the number of non-permanent members of the Security Council from 6 to 10.

decided that the non-permanent members of the Council should be elected according to the following pattern (resolution 1991 A (XVIII)):

- (a) Five from African and Asia-Pacific States;
- (b) One from Eastern European States;
- (c) Two from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (d) Two from Western European and other States.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its first session (decisions adopted at its first to thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/305, 32/306, 33/310, 34/328, 35/311, 36/306, 37/306, 38/306, 39/323, 40/306, 41/306, 42/305, 43/309, 44/306, 45/306, 46/305, 47/308, 48/306, 49/306, 50/306, 51/306, 52/305, 53/306, 54/306, 55/305, 56/305, 57/402, 58/403, 59/402, 60/403, 61/402, 62/403, 63/403, 64/402, 65/402, 66/402, 67/402, 68/403, 69/402, 70/403 A and B, 71/422, 72/419, 73/420, 74/418, 75/421, 76/422, 77/421 and 78/414).

At its sixty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided to conduct the elections of the non-permanent members of the Security Council about six months before the elected members assume their responsibilities, beginning at the seventieth session (resolution [68/307](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly elected Denmark, Greece, Pakistan, Panama and Somalia as non-permanent members of the Security Council for a two-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2025 to fill the vacancies occurring on the expiration of the terms of office of Ecuador, Japan, Malta, Mozambique and Switzerland (decision 78/414).

As from 1 January 2025, the Council will be composed of the following 15 Member States: Algeria,\* China, Denmark,\*\* France, Greece,\*\* Guyana,\* Pakistan,\*\* Panama,\*\* Republic of Korea,\* Russian Federation, Sierra Leone,\* Slovenia,\* Somalia,\*\* United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

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\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the seats being vacated by the following States: Algeria, Guyana, Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Slovenia. As stipulated in rule 144 of the rules of procedure, a retiring member is not eligible for immediate re-election.

In accordance with rule 92 of the rules of procedure, the election is held by secret ballot. Under rule 83 of the rules of procedure, the non-permanent members of the Security Council are elected by a two-thirds majority.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 113 (a))**

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.86</a>
Decision	78/414

## **115. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections**

### **(a) Election of members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination**

In accordance with paragraph 7 of the terms of reference of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (Economic and Social Council resolution [2008 \(LX\)](#), annex), the Committee consisted of 21 members nominated by the Economic and

Social Council and elected by the Assembly for a term of office of three years on the basis of equitable geographical distribution. At its forty-second session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled “Report of the Economic and Social Council” and “Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination”, decided that the Committee should be composed of 34 States Members of the United Nations, elected for three-year terms on the basis of equitable geographical distribution, as follows (decision 42/450):

- (a) Nine seats for African States;
- (b) Seven seats for Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Seven seats for Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (d) Seven seats for Western European and other States;
- (e) Four seats for Eastern European States.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-first session (decisions 31/306, 32/305, 33/315, 34/314, 35/315, 36/315, 37/314, 38/318, 39/312, 40/312, 41/312, 42/318, 42/450, 43/306, 44/311, 45/310, 46/308, 47/307, 48/311, 49/307, 50/305, 51/305, 52/306 A and B, 53/308 A to C, 54/305, 55/307, 56/308, 57/405 A and B, 58/408, 59/404, 60/405 A and B, 61/410, 62/405, 63/414 A and B, 64/404, 65/404 A and B, 66/411 A and B, 67/404 A and B, 68/404 A and B, 69/404 A and B, 70/414, 71/414, 72/411 A and B, 73/410 A and B, 74/410, 75/410 A and B, 76/404 A and B, 77/405 and 78/409 A and B).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly elected Armenia, Brazil, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Côte d’Ivoire, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Pakistan, Poland, Rwanda, South Africa, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Uruguay as members of the Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 to fill the vacancies occurring on the expiration of the terms of office of Armenia, Belarus, Brazil, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Eritrea, Eswatini, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Mali, Malta, Pakistan, Poland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America (decision 78/409 A); and elected Bulgaria as a member of the Committee for a term of office beginning on 16 January 2024 and expiring on 31 December 2026 (decision 78/409 B).

As from 16 January 2024, the Committee is composed of the following 34 Member States: Argentina,\*\* Armenia,\*\*\* Belgium,\* Botswana,\* Brazil,\*\*\* Bulgaria,\*\*\* Cameroon,\*\*\* Chile,\* China,\*\* Costa Rica,\*\*\* Côte d’Ivoire,\*\*\* France,\* Germany,\*\*\* India,\*\*\* Iran (Islamic Republic of),\*\*\* Israel,\*\*\* Italy,\*\*\* Japan,\*\*\* Kenya,\* Liberia,\*\* Mexico,\*\*\* Morocco,\*\* Pakistan,\*\*\* Paraguay,\* Philippines,\*\* Poland,\*\*\* Republic of Korea,\*\* Russian Federation,\* Rwanda,\*\*\* South Africa,\*\*\* Tunisia,\*\* United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,\*\*\* United States of America\*\*\* and Uruguay.\*\*\*

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the seats being vacated by Belgium, Botswana, Chile, France, Kenya, Paraguay and the Russian Federation.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Note by the Secretary-General.*

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 114 (a))

Notes by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/519</a> and <a href="#">A/78/519/Add.1</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.37</a> and <a href="#">A/78/PV.53</a>
Decisions	78/409 A and B

### (b) Election of members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission

At its sixtieth session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled “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” and “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided to establish the Peacebuilding Commission as an intergovernmental advisory body that would have a standing Organizational Committee, responsible for developing its own rules of procedure and working methods, and comprising:

- (a) Seven members of the Security Council, including permanent members, selected according to rules and procedures decided by the Council;
- (b) Seven members of the Economic and Social Council, elected from regional groups according to rules and procedures decided by the Council, giving due consideration to those countries that had experienced post-conflict recovery;
- (c) Five top providers of assessed contributions to United Nations budgets and of voluntary contributions to United Nations funds, programmes and agencies, including a standing peacebuilding fund, that were not among those selected in (a) or (b) above, selected by and from among the 10 top providers, giving due consideration to the size of their contributions;
- (d) Five top providers of military personnel and civilian police to United Nations missions that were not among those selected in (a), (b) or (c) above, selected by and from among the 10 top providers, giving due consideration to the size of their contributions;
- (e) Giving due consideration to representation from all regional groups in the overall composition of the Committee and to representation from countries that had experienced post-conflict recovery, seven additional members would be elected according to rules and procedures decided by the Assembly;

and decided that members of the Committee would serve for renewable terms of two years, as applicable, and that the arrangements set out in the resolution would be reviewed five years after its adoption (resolution [60/180](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly also decided that each of the five regional groups should have no less than three seats in the overall composition of the Organizational Committee; and further decided that the distribution of seats as set out in paragraph 2 of resolution [60/261](#) would be reviewed annually, on the basis of changes in the membership in other categories established in paragraphs 4 (a) to (d) of Assembly resolution [60/180](#) and Security Council resolution [1645 \(2005\)](#), in order to give due consideration to representation of all regional groups in the overall composition of the Committee (resolution [60/261](#)).

In its resolution [1646 \(2005\)](#), the Security Council decided that the permanent members listed in Article 23 (1) of the Charter would be members of the Organizational Committee and that, in addition, the Council would select annually two of its elected members to participate in the Committee.

In its resolution [2015/1](#), the Economic and Social Council decided that it would elect to the Organizational Committee one State member of the Council from each of the five regional groups, namely, African States, Asia-Pacific States, Eastern European States, Latin American and Caribbean States and Western European and other States, and two additional States members of the Council.

The item entitled “Election of members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission” was included in the agenda of the sixtieth session of the Assembly at the request of the Secretary-General (see [A/60/237](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixtieth session (resolution [60/261](#) and decisions [60/417](#), [61/416](#), [62/419 A and B](#), [63/415](#), [64/414](#), [65/411](#), [66/415](#), [67/414 A and B](#), [68/415](#), [69/418](#), [70/416](#), [71/415 A and B](#), [72/414 A and B](#), [73/413 A and B](#), [74/413](#), [75/413](#), [76/412](#), [77/416](#) and [78/411](#)).

At its sixty-third session, the Assembly decided that, beginning with the election to be held during that session, the term of office of the members of the Assembly on the Organizational Committee should begin on 1 January instead of 23 June and invited other bodies with members on the Organizational Committee that had not yet done so to adjust the term of office of their respective members so that the term of office of all members of the Organizational Committee could start on 1 January (resolution [63/145](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly, pursuant to its resolutions [60/180](#), [60/261](#) and [63/145](#), elected Poland and Uruguay as members of the Organizational Committee for a two-year term of office, beginning on 1 January 2024, to fill the vacancies occurring on the expiration of the terms of office of Bulgaria and the Dominican Republic (decision [78/411](#)).

Pursuant to paragraphs 4 (a) to (d) of resolution [60/180](#), 26 States have already been elected and/or selected as members of the Organizational Committee: Egypt, Kenya, Qatar, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and South Africa, elected by the Assembly (see decision [77/416](#)); Algeria, China, France, Guyana, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America, selected by the Security Council;<sup>6</sup> Brazil, Croatia, Denmark, Italy, Nigeria, Peru and Republic of Korea, elected by the Economic and Social Council;<sup>7</sup> Canada, Germany, Japan, Norway and Sweden, selected by and from among the top 10 providers of assessed contributions to United Nations budgets and of voluntary contributions to United Nations funds, programmes and agencies, including a standing peacebuilding fund;<sup>8</sup> and Bangladesh, Ethiopia, India, Nepal and Rwanda selected by and from among the top 10 providers of military personnel and civilian police to United Nations missions.<sup>9</sup>

As a result, as from 1 January 2024, the Organizational Committee is composed of the following 31 Member States: Algeria,\*\* Bangladesh,\*\* Brazil,\*\*\*\* Canada,\*\* China,\* Croatia,\*\*\*\* Denmark,\*\*\*\* Egypt,\*\* Ethiopia,\*\* France,\* Germany,\*\* Guyana,\*\* India,\*\* Italy,\*\*\*\* Japan,\*\* Kenya,\*\* Nepal,\*\* Nigeria,\*\*\*\* Norway,\*\* Peru,\*\*\*\* Poland,\*\*\* Qatar,\*\* Republic of Korea,\*\*\*\* Russian Federation,\* Rwanda,\*\* Saint Vincent and the Grenadines,\*\* South Africa,\*\* Sweden,\*\* United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,\* United States of America\* and Uruguay.\*\*\*

\* Permanent members of the Security Council.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024 or when they cease to be members of the Economic and Social Council, whichever comes earlier.

<sup>6</sup> See [S/2024/83](#).

<sup>7</sup> See Economic and Social Council decisions [2022/206 C and D](#) and [2023/208](#).

<sup>8</sup> See [A/77/652](#).

<sup>9</sup> See [A/77/650](#).

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the seats occupied by the following countries, whose terms of office expire on 31 December 2024: Egypt, Kenya, Qatar, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and South Africa.

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Note verbale or letter on behalf of the top 10 providers of assessed contributions to United Nations budgets and of voluntary contributions to United Nations funds, programmes and agencies, including a standing peacebuilding fund (resolution [60/180](#));
- (b) Note verbale or letter on behalf of the top 10 providers of military personnel and civilian police to United Nations missions (resolution [60/180](#)).

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 114 (b))**

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.42</a>
Decision	78/411

**(c) Election of members of the Human Rights Council**

At its sixtieth session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled “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” and “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided to establish the Human Rights Council, based in Geneva, in replacement of the Commission on Human Rights, as a subsidiary organ of the Assembly. It also decided that the Council would consist of 47 Member States, which would be elected directly and individually by secret ballot by the majority of the members of the Assembly; that the membership would be based on equitable geographical distribution and seats would be distributed as follows among regional groups:

- (a) Thirteen from African States;
- (b) Thirteen from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Six from Eastern European States;
- (d) Eight from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Seven from Western European and other States;

and that the members of the Council would serve for a period of three years and would not be eligible for immediate re-election after two consecutive terms. It further decided that the terms of membership would be staggered and that such decision would be taken for the first election by the drawing of lots, taking into consideration equitable geographical distribution (resolution [60/251](#)).

The item entitled “Election of 47 members of the Human Rights Council” was included in the agenda of the sixtieth session of the Assembly at the request of the Secretary-General ([A/60/236](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixtieth session (decisions [60/416](#), [60/555](#), [61/415](#), [62/415](#), [63/420](#), [64/421](#), [65/415](#), [67/405](#), [68/406](#), [69/403](#), [70/413](#), [71/403](#), [72/403 A and B](#), [73/402](#), [74/405](#), [75/402](#), [76/402 A and B](#), [77/403](#) and [78/402](#); see also resolutions [65/265](#) and [66/11](#), adopted under the item entitled “Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations”, and resolution [ES-11/3](#) adopted under the item entitled “Letter dated 28 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council ([S/2014/136](#))”).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly, under the items entitled “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” and “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit”, decided that, from 2013, the Human Rights Council would start its yearly membership cycle on 1 January and that, as a transitional measure, the period of office of members of the Human Rights Council ending in June 2012, June 2013 and June 2014 would exceptionally be extended until the end of the respective calendar year (resolution [65/281](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly elected the following 15 members for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024: Albania, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, China, Côte d’Ivoire, Cuba, Dominican Republic, France, Ghana, Indonesia, Japan, Kuwait, Malawi and Netherlands (Kingdom of the) (decision 78/402).

As a result, as from 1 January 2024, the Council is composed of the following 47 Member States: <sup>10</sup> Albania,\*\*\* Algeria,\*\* Argentina,\* Bangladesh,\*\* Belgium,\*\* Benin,\* Brazil,\*\*\* Bulgaria,\*\*\* Burundi,\*\*\* Cameroon,\* Chile,\*\* China,\*\*\* Costa Rica,\*\* Côte d’Ivoire,\*\*\* Cuba,\*\*\* Dominican Republic,\*\*\* Eritrea,\* Finland,\* France,\*\*\* Gambia,\* Georgia,\*\* Germany,\*\* Ghana,\*\*\* Honduras,\* India,\* Indonesia,\*\*\* Japan,\*\*\* Kazakhstan,\* Kuwait,\*\*\* Kyrgyzstan,\*\* Lithuania,\* Luxembourg,\* Malawi,\*\*\* Malaysia,\* Maldives,\*\* Montenegro,\* Morocco,\*\* Netherlands (Kingdom of the),\*\*\* Paraguay,\* Qatar,\* Romania,\*\* Somalia,\* South Africa,\*\* Sudan,\*\* United Arab Emirates,\* United States of America\* and Viet Nam.\*\*

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the 18 seats occupied by the countries whose term of office expires on 31 December 2024.<sup>11</sup>

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 114 (c))**

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.17](#)

Decision [78/402](#)

#### **(d) Election of members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law**

At its twenty-first session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Progressive development of the law of international trade”, decided to establish the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law in accordance with the provisions set forth in section II of the resolution, including that the Commission shall consist of 29 States, elected by the Assembly, for a term of six years, and that, in electing the members of the Commission, the Assembly would observe the following distribution of seats (resolution [2205 \(XXI\)](#)):

- (a) Seven from African States;
- (b) Five from Asian States;

<sup>10</sup> Argentina, Cameroon, China, Côte d’Ivoire, Cuba, Eritrea, France, Germany, India, Malawi, Somalia and the Sudan are serving their second consecutive term.

<sup>11</sup> Argentina, Cameroon, Eritrea, India and Somalia are currently serving a second consecutive term. Pursuant to resolution [60/251](#), the members of the Human Rights Council shall not be eligible for immediate re-election after two consecutive terms.

- (c) Four from Eastern European States;
- (d) Five from Latin American States;
- (e) Eight from Western European and other States.

At its twenty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its sixth session”, decided to increase the membership of the Commission from 29 to 36 and that, in electing the additional members, the Assembly would observe the following distribution of seats (resolution [3108 \(XXVIII\)](#)):

- (a) Two from African States;
- (b) Two from Asian States;
- (c) One from Eastern European States;
- (d) One from Latin American States;
- (e) One from Western European and other States.

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-fifth session”, decided to increase the membership of the Commission from 36 to 60 States, bearing in mind that the Commission was a technical body whose composition reflected, inter alia, the specific requirements of the subject matter; that the regional representation resulting from that increase in membership, which took those requirements into account, would not be a precedent for the enlargement of other bodies in the United Nations system; and that, in electing the additional members, the Assembly would observe the following distribution of seats (resolution [57/20](#)):

- (a) Five from African States;
- (b) Seven from Asian States;
- (c) Three from Eastern European States;
- (d) Four from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Five from Western European and other States.

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-fourth session”, decided to increase the membership of the Commission from 60 to 70 States, bearing in mind that the Commission was a technical body; the regional representation resulting from that increase in membership should not be a precedent for the enlargement of other bodies in the United Nations system. It also decided that the 10 additional members of the Commission should be elected by the Assembly for a term of six years in accordance with the following rules:

- (a) In electing the additional members, the Assembly should observe the following distribution of seats:
  - (i) Two from African States;
  - (ii) Two from Asia-Pacific States;
  - (iii) Two from Eastern European States;
  - (iv) Two from Latin American and Caribbean States;
  - (v) Two from Western European and other States;



- (b) Of the 10 additional members, five, that is, one from each regional group, should be elected at the election to be held during the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly;
- (c) The additional members elected in accordance with subparagraph (b) should take office from the first day of the fifty-fifth session of the Commission in 2022;
- (d) The remaining five additional members, that is, one from each regional group, should be elected at the election to be held during the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly;
- (e) The additional members elected in accordance with subparagraph (d) should take office from the first day of the fifty-eighth session of the Commission in 2025;
- (f) The provisions of section II, paragraphs 4 and 5, of Assembly resolution [2205 \(XXI\)](#) should also apply to the additional members (resolution [76/109](#)).

The United Nations Commission on International Trade Law therefore currently consists of 70 States elected by the Assembly for a term of six years (including the five additional members, that is, one from each regional group, to be elected at the election to be held during the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly in accordance with resolution [76/109](#)), and, in electing the members of the Commission, the Assembly is to observe the following distribution of seats:

- (a) Sixteen from African States;
- (b) Sixteen from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Ten from Eastern European States;
- (d) Twelve from Latin American States;
- (e) Sixteen from Western European and other States.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda triennially since its twenty-second session, as well as at its sixty-sixth, sixty-eighth and sixty-ninth sessions (decisions adopted at the twenty-second, twenty-fifth and twenty-eighth sessions and decisions 31/310, 34/308, 37/308, 40/313, 43/307, 46/309, 49/315, 52/314, 55/308, 58/407, 61/417, 64/405 A to C, 66/427, 67/406, 68/417, 69/420, 70/405 A to C, 73/412 and 76/416 A and B).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly elected members of the Commission Afghanistan, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, Colombia, Czechia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, India, Iraq, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Italy, Kenya, Kuwait, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Panama, Poland, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Spain, Thailand, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Uganda, the United States of America and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela for a six-year term of office beginning on 27 June 2022 and Greece for a term of office beginning on 29 June 2022 to fill the vacancies occurring on the expiration of the terms of office of Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Brazil, Burundi, Chile, Colombia, Czechia, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Italy, Kenya, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Mauritius, Nigeria, Pakistan, the Philippines, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Türkiye, Uganda, the United States of America and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and five of the ten additional seats stipulated in resolution [76/109](#) (decisions 76/416 A and B)

As from 29 June 2022, the Commission is composed of the following 65 States: Afghanistan,\*\* Algeria,\* Argentina,\*\* Armenia,\*\* Australia,\*\* Austria,\*\* Belarus,\*\* Belgium,\* Brazil,\*\* Bulgaria,\*\* Cameroon,\* Canada,\* Chile,\*\* China,\* Colombia,\*\* Côte d'Ivoire,\* Croatia,\* Czechia,\*\* Democratic Republic of the Congo,\*\* Dominican

Republic,\* Ecuador,\* Finland,\* France,\* Germany,\* Ghana,\* Greece,\*\* Honduras,\* Hungary,\* India,\*\* Indonesia,\* Iraq,\*\* Iran (Islamic Republic of),\*\* Israel,\*\* Italy,\*\* Japan,\* Kenya,\*\* Kuwait,\*\* Malawi,\*\* Malaysia,\* Mali,\* Mauritius,\*\* Mexico,\* Morocco,\*\* Nigeria,\*\* Panama,\*\* Peru,\* Poland,\*\* Republic of Korea,\* Russian Federation,\* Saudi Arabia,\*\* Singapore,\* Somalia,\*\* South Africa,\* Spain,\*\* Switzerland,\* Thailand,\*\* Türkiye,\*\* Turkmenistan,\*\* Uganda,\*\* Ukraine,\* United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,\* United States of America,\*\* Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of),\*\* Viet Nam\* and Zimbabwe.\*

\* Term of office expires on the last day prior to the beginning of the fifty-eighth session of the Commission in 2025.

\*\* Term of office expires on the last day prior to the beginning of the sixty-first session of the Commission in 2028.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the seats being vacated by Algeria, Belgium, Cameroon, Canada, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Honduras, Hungary, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Mali, Mexico, Peru, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Singapore, South Africa, Switzerland, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Viet Nam and Zimbabwe and five of the ten additional seats stipulated in resolution [76/109](#).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 116 (e))**

Plenary meetings [A/76/PV.61](#) and [89](#)

Decisions [76/416 A](#) and [B](#)

#### **(e) Election of members of the Permanent Forum of People of African Descent**

At its seventy-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action”, decided to establish the Permanent Forum of People of African Descent as a consultative mechanism for people of African descent and other relevant stakeholders as a platform for improving the safety and quality of life and livelihoods of people of African descent, as well as an advisory body to the Human Rights Council, in line with paragraph 29 (i) of the programme of activities for the implementation of the International Decade for People of African Descent and in close coordination with existing mechanisms. It also decided that the Permanent Forum should consist of 10 members: 5 members to be nominated by Governments, based on equitable geographical distribution, and elected by the Assembly and 5 members to be appointed by the President of the Human Rights Council following consultation with the Bureau and the regional groups through their coordinators, on the basis of broad consultations with organizations of people of African descent; membership shall take into account the diversity and geographical distribution of people of African descent in the world, ensuring gender parity as well as the principles of transparency, representativity and equal opportunity for all people of African descent, and all members shall serve in their personal capacity as independent experts on issues of people of African descent for a period of three years with the possibility of re-election or reappointment for one further period (resolution [75/314](#)).

The sub-item entitled “Election of members of the Permanent Forum of People of African Descent” was included in the agenda of the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly at the request of the Secretary-General ([A/76/193](#)) (decisions [76/414 A](#) and [B](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly elected Epsy Campbell Barr (Costa Rica), Justin Hansford (United States of America), Martin Kimani (Kenya), Mona Omar (Egypt) and June Soomer (Saint Lucia) as members of the Permanent Forum of People of African Descent for a three-year term of office beginning on the date when five other members were appointed by the President of the Human Rights Council (decision 76/414 A). On 8 March 2022, the President of the Human Rights Council announced the appointment of the following persons as members of the Permanent Forum of People of African Descent for a three-year term of office effective immediately: Gaynel Diana Curry (Bahamas), Huang Hongjiang (China), Pastor Elías Murillo Martínez (Colombia), Michael McEchrane (Sweden) and Alice Angèle Nkom (Cameroon) (decision 76/414 B).

As a result, as of 8 March 2022, the Permanent Forum of People of African Descent is composed as follows: Epsy Campbell Barr (Costa Rica),\* Gaynel Diana Curry (Bahamas),\* Justin Hansford (United States of America),\* Huang Hongjiang (China),\* Martin Kimani (Kenya),\* Pastor Elías Murillo Martínez (Colombia),\* Michael McEchrane (Sweden),\* Alice Angèle Nkom (Cameroon),\* Mona Omar (Egypt) \* and June Soomer (Saint Lucia).\*

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\* Term of office expires on 7 March 2025.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the vacancies arising from the expiration of the terms of office of the five members of the Permanent Forum whom it elected.

#### **References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 116 (g))**

Note by the Secretariat	<a href="#">A/76/952</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/76/PV.52</a>
Decisions	76/414 A and B

### **116. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments**

The General Assembly has had the item entitled “Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments” on its agenda annually since its second session (decisions 73/417 and 78/412).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 115)**

Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/785</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.60</a> and <a href="#">63</a>
Decision	78/412

#### **(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, established by the General Assembly in 1946 (resolution 14 A (I)), acts in an advisory capacity to the Assembly and makes recommendations to it on the United Nations budget and related matters and on the administrative budgets of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency. Details on the appointment, membership and

functions of the Advisory Committee can be found in rules 155 to 157 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly.

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly decided that the seats should be distributed as follows among regional groups (resolution [74/267](#)):

- (a) Five from African States;
- (b) Five from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Three from Eastern European States;
- (d) Four from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Four from Western European and other States.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly appointed or reappointed 10 members of the Advisory Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 (decision 78/404).

As a result, as from 1 January 2024, the Advisory Committee is composed as follows: Surendra Kumar Adhana (India),\*\*\* Yves Éric Ahoussougbemey (Benin),\* Amjad Qaid Al Kumaim (Yemen),\* Makiese Kinkela Augusto (Angola),\* Abdallah Bachar Bong (Chad),\*\*\* Feliksas Bakanauskas (Lithuania),\*\*\* Ali Ben Said (Tunisia),\*\*\* Sharon Brennen-Haylock (Bahamas),\* Jakub Chmielewski (Poland),\* Udo Klaus Fenchel (Germany),\*\* Olivio Fermín (Dominican Republic),\*\* Simon Horner (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland),\*\*\* Carlo Jacobucci (Italy),\*\* Ji Haojun (China),\*\* Evgeny Kalugin (Russian Federation),\*\*\* Julia Maciel (Paraguay),\*\*\* Matsuda Yukiko (Japan),\*\* Caroline Nalwanga (Uganda),\*\*\* Juliana Gaspar Ruas (Brazil),\*\*\* Stephani Laura Scheer (United States of America),\*\*\* and Minhong Yi (Republic of Korea).\*\*

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the vacancies that will arise upon the expiry of the terms of office of Mr. Ahoussougbemey, Mr. Al Kumaim, Mr. Augusto, Ms. Brennen-Haylock and Mr. Chmielewski.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General ([A/79/101](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 115 (a))**

Notes by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/101/Rev.1</a> and <a href="#">A/C.5/78/6</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.5/78/SR.8</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/558</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.35</a>
Decision	78/404

#### **(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions**

The Committee on Contributions, established by the General Assembly in 1946 (resolution [14 A \(I\)](#)), advises the Assembly concerning the apportionment, under Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations, of the expenses of the Organization among Members (see also item 143, on the scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations). Details on the appointment,

membership and functions of the Committee can be found in rules 158 to 160 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly.

The established practice for the distribution of seats in the Committee on Contributions among regional groups, which the Assembly may wish to maintain at its seventy-ninth session, is as follows:

- (a) Three from African States;
- (b) Four from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Three from Eastern European States;
- (d) Three from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Five from Western European and other States.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly appointed one member for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 to fill a vacancy resulting from a resignation. The Assembly also appointed or reappointed six members of the Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 (decision 78/405).

As a result, as from 1 January 2024, the Committee is composed as follows: Syed Yawar Ali (Pakistan),\* Phologo Kaone Bogatsu (Botswana),\* Cheikh Tidiane Dème (Senegal),\*\* Jasminka Dinić (Croatia),\* Gordon Eckersley (Australia),\*\* Helena Concepción Felip Salazar (Paraguay),\*\* Bernardo Greiver del Hoyo (Uruguay),\*\* Michael Holtsch (Germany),\*\*\* Ihor Humennyi (Ukraine),\* Marcel Jullier (Switzerland),\*\* Vadim Laputin (Russian Federation),\*\*\* Lin Shan (China),\*\*\* Joseph Masila (Kenya),\*\* Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea),\*\*\* Thomas Anthony Repasch (United States of America),\* Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil),\*\*\* Suzuki Yoriko (Japan)\* and Cihan Terzi (Türkiye).\*\*\*

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the vacancies that will arise upon the expiry of the terms of office of Mr. Ali, Mr. Bogatsu, Mrs. Dinić, Mr. Humennyi, Mr. Repasch and Ms. Suzuki.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General ([A/79/102](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 115 (b))**

Notes by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/102/Rev.1</a> , <a href="#">A/78/102/Rev.1/Add.1</a> and <a href="#">A/C.5/78/7/Rev.1</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.5/78/SR.8</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/559</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.35</a>
Decision	78/405

#### **(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee**

The Investments Committee, established by the General Assembly in 1947 (resolution [155 \(II\)](#)), advises the Secretary-General on the investment of the assets of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and other United Nations funds.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly confirmed the appointment or reappointment by the Secretary-General of five members of the Investments

Committee as regular members for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 and the reappointment of one ad hoc member of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 (decision 78/406).

As a result, as from 1 January 2024, the Committee is composed of the following nine regular members: Yasir O. Al-Rumayyan (Saudi Arabia),\*\*\* Sarah Omotunde Alade (Nigeria),\*\*\* Jens Fricke (Germany),\*\* Honda Keiko (Japan),\* Natalia Khanjenkova (Russian Federation),\*\*\* Michael S. Klein (United States of America),\*\* Shan Li (China),\*\*\* Patricia Parise (Argentina)\*\*\* and Luciane Ribeiro (Brazil),\*\* and the following ad hoc member: Macky Tall (Mali).\*

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will be asked to confirm the appointment of one regular member to fill the vacancy that will arise upon the expiry of the term of office of Ms. Honda.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General ([A/79/103](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 115 (c))**

Notes by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/103</a> and <a href="#">A/C.5/78/8</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.5/78/SR.8</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/560</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.35</a>
Decision	78/406

#### **(d) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission**

The International Civil Service Commission, established by the General Assembly in 1974 (resolution [3357 \(XXIX\)](#)) for the regulation and coordination of the conditions of service of the United Nations common system, consists of 15 members appointed by the Assembly, of whom 2, designated Chair and Vice-Chair, serve full-time.

The established practice for the distribution of seats in the International Civil Service Commission among regional groups, which the Assembly may wish to maintain at its seventy-ninth session, is as follows:

- (a) Four from African States;
- (b) Three from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Two from Eastern European States;
- (d) Two from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Four from Western European and other States.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly appointed or reappointed five members of the Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2023 and designated Larbi Djacta (Algeria) as Chair for a period of four years beginning on 1 January 2023, subject to a corresponding extension of his term of office as a member of the International Civil Service Commission (decision 77/411).

As from 1 January 2023, the Commission is composed of the following 15 members: Larbi Djacta (Algeria, Chair<sup>†</sup>)\*, Boguslaw Winid (Poland, Vice-Chair<sup>††</sup>\*\*\*), Andrew Gbebay Bangali (Sierra Leone),\*\*\* Xavier Bellmont Roldán (Spain),\*\*\* Claudia Angélica Bueno Reynaga (Mexico),\*\* Spyridon Flogaitis (Greece),\*\* Igor Golubovskiy (Russian Federation),\* Kaji Misako (Japan),\*\* Pan-Suk Kim (Republic of Korea),\* Ali Kurer (Libya),\*\*\* Jeffrey Mounts (United States of America),\*\* Shauna Olney (Canada),\*\* João Vargas (Brazil),\*\*\* Wang Xiaochu (China)\* and El Hassane Zahid (Morocco).\*

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

† Designated as Chair for a period of four years expiring on 31 December 2026, subject to a corresponding extension of the term of office as a member of the Commission.

†† Designated as Vice-Chair for a period of four years expiring on 31 December 2025.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the vacancies that will arise upon the expiry of the terms of office of Mr. Djacta, Mr. Golubovskiy, Mr. Kim, Mr. Wang and Mr. Zahid.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General ([A/79/104](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 118 (d))**

Notes by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/104</a> , <a href="#">A/C.5/77/8</a> and <a href="#">A/C.5/77/8/Add.1</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.5/77/SR.11</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/77/570</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.34</a>
Decision	77/411

#### **(e) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee**

The United Nations Staff Pension Committee, established by the General Assembly in 1948 (resolution [248 \(III\)](#)), deals with the administration of pension matters insofar as they relate to the United Nations. It consists of four members and four alternate members elected by the Assembly, four members and two alternate members appointed by the Secretary-General and four members and two alternate members elected by the participants.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly appointed one member of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee for a term of office beginning on 15 November 2022 and ending on 31 December 2024 to fill a vacancy resulting from a resignation (decision 77/413).

As a result, as from 15 November 2022, the United Nations Staff Pension Committee is composed of the following members and alternate members: Ahmed Al Kabir (Bangladesh), Dmitry S. Chumakov (Russian Federation), Lovemore Mazemo (Zimbabwe), Philip Richard Okanda Owade (Kenya), Pia Poroli (Argentina), Jörg Stosberg (Germany), David Traystman (United States of America) and Yamada Jun (Japan).

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to elect four members and four alternate members of the Committee.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General ([A/79/105](#)).

### References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 118 (k))

Notes by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/107</a> and <a href="#">A/C.5/77/10</a>
Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.5/77/SR.11</a>
Report of the Fifth Committee	<a href="#">A/77/572</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.34</a>
Decision	77/413

#### (f) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences

At its twenty-ninth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Pattern of conferences”, decided to establish, on an experimental basis, and subject to review at its thirty-second session, a Committee on Conferences composed of 22 Member States (resolution [3351 \(XXIX\)](#)). At its forty-third session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Pattern of conferences”, decided to retain the Committee on Conferences as a permanent subsidiary organ; that the Committee should be composed of 21 members to be appointed by the President of the Assembly, after consultations with the Chairs of the regional groups, for a period of three years, on the basis of the following geographical distribution:

- (a) Six members from African States;
- (b) Five members from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (d) Two members from Eastern European States;
- (e) Four members from Western European and other States;

and that one third of the Committee’s membership should retire annually and that retiring members would be eligible for reappointment (resolution [43/222 B](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its forty-fourth session (decisions [44/314](#), [45/314](#), [46/312 A and B](#), [47/311 A and B](#), [48/312](#), [49/318 A to C](#), [50/310 A and B](#), [51/317](#), [52/320](#), [53/318](#), [54/308](#), [55/318](#), [56/309](#), [57/413 A and B](#), [58/409](#), [59/405](#), [60/407](#), [61/412](#), [62/407](#), [63/405 A and B](#), [64/407 A and B](#), [65/405 A and B](#), [66/414 A and B](#), [67/415 A to C](#), [68/414 A to D](#), [69/412 A and B](#), [70/406 A and B](#), [71/411 A and B](#), [72/412 A and B](#), [73/411](#), [74/411](#), [75/412](#), [76/405](#), [77/406](#) and [78/410](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly took note of the appointment, by its President, of Argentina, Botswana, France, the Philippines, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone and Sri Lanka as members of the Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024; Brazil and Peru for a term of office beginning on 20 November 2023 and expiring on 31 December 2024; and Guatemala for a term of office beginning on 20 November 2023 and expiring on 31 December 2025 (decision [78/410](#)).

As of 1 January 2024, the Committee is composed of the following 21 Member States: Argentina,<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Austria,<sup>\*\*</sup> Botswana,<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Brazil,<sup>\*</sup> China,<sup>\*\*</sup> Côte d’Ivoire,<sup>\*</sup> Djibouti,<sup>\*\*</sup> Egypt,<sup>\*\*</sup> France,<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Guatemala,<sup>\*\*</sup> Islamic Republic of Iran,<sup>\*</sup> Japan,<sup>\*\*</sup> Peru,<sup>\*</sup> Philippines,<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Poland,<sup>\*</sup> Portugal,<sup>\*</sup> Russian Federation,<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Senegal,<sup>\*</sup> Sierra Leone,<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Sri Lanka<sup>\*\*\*</sup> and United States of America.<sup>\*\*</sup>

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.



At its seventy-ninth session, there will be a need to fill the vacancies that will arise upon the expiry of the terms of office of Brazil, Côte d'Ivoire, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Peru, Poland, Portugal and Senegal.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 115 (f))**

Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/92</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.37</a>
Decision	78/410

#### **(g) Confirmation of the appointment of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme**

At its thirteenth session, under the item entitled “Economic development of under-developed countries: establishment of the Special Fund – reports of the Preparatory Committee for the Special Fund and of the Economic and Social Council”, the General Assembly provided that, after having consulted the Governing Council of the Special Fund, the Secretary-General would appoint the Managing Director, subject to confirmation by the Assembly, and that the Managing Director should be appointed for a term of four years, or for a shorter period, and should be eligible for reappointment (resolution [1240 \(XIII\)](#)). At its twentieth session, the Assembly established the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), combining in one programme the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance and the Special Fund (resolution [2029 \(XX\)](#)). The procedure established for appointing the Managing Director of the Special Fund has been construed as applying also to the appointment of the Administrator of UNDP.

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twenty-sixth, thirtieth, thirty-fourth, thirty-eighth, fortieth, forty-fourth, forty-seventh, fifty-first, fifty-third and fifty-seventh sessions. It has had the item on its agenda quadrennially since its fifty-ninth session (decisions adopted at the twenty-sixth and thirtieth sessions and decisions [34/311](#), [38/314](#), [40/325](#), [44/307](#), [47/327](#), [51/321](#), [53/323](#), [57/415](#), [59/417](#), [63/419](#), [67/418](#), [71/418](#) and [75/416](#); see also the decisions adopted at the twenty-third and twenty-fifth sessions under the item entitled “Operational activities for development”).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly confirmed the appointment by the Secretary-General of Achim Steiner as Administrator of UNDP for a further four-year term of office beginning on 17 June 2021 (decision [75/416](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General.

#### **References for the seventy-fifth session (agenda item 120 (j))**

Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/75/855</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/75/PV.60</a>
Decision	75/416

#### **(h) Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development**

At its nineteenth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development”, established the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) as an organ of the

Assembly (resolution [1995 \(XIX\)](#)). In accordance with section II, paragraph 27, of that resolution, the Secretary-General of UNCTAD shall be appointed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the appointment shall be confirmed by the Assembly.

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twenty-third, twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth, thirty-first, thirty-fourth, thirty-seventh, thirty-ninth, fortieth, forty-third, forty-sixth, forty-seventh, forty-ninth, fifty-third, fifty-seventh and fifty-eighth sessions. It has had the item on its agenda quadrennially since its fifty-ninth session (decisions adopted at the twenty-third, twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sessions and decisions 31/314, 34/321, 37/322, 39/324, 40/308, 43/313, 46/316, 47/324, 49/325, 53/321, 57/417, 58/574, 59/419, 63/424, 67/419, 71/423 and 75/420; see also the decision adopted at the nineteenth session under the item entitled “Report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development”).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly confirmed the appointment by the Secretary-General of the United Nations of Rebeca Grynspan as Secretary-General of UNCTAD for a four-year of office beginning on 12 September 2021 and ending on 11 September 2025 (decision 75/420).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General.

#### **References for the seventy-fifth session (agenda item 120 (k))**

Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/75/909</a> and <a href="#">A/75/909/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/75/PV.78</a>
Decision	75/420

#### **(i) Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit**

At its thirty-first session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Joint Inspection Unit”, adopted the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, consisting of not more than 11 members, the duration of whose appointments shall be five years, renewable for one further term (resolution [31/192](#)). Pursuant to article 3 (1) of the statute, starting from the thirty-second session of the Assembly, the President of the Assembly shall consult with Member States to draw up, with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution and of reasonable rotation, a list of countries which would be requested to propose candidates who meet the qualifications mentioned in article 2 (1). Pursuant to article 3 (2), the President of the Assembly, through appropriate consultations, including consultations with the President of the Economic and Social Council and with the Chair of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (now the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination), shall review the qualifications of the proposed candidates. After further consultations, if necessary, with the States concerned, the President of the Assembly shall submit the list of candidates to the Assembly for appointment.

At its fifty-ninth session, under the item entitled “Joint Inspection Unit”, the Assembly stressed the importance of ensuring that candidates had experience in at least one of the following fields: oversight, audit, inspection, investigation, evaluation, finance, project evaluation, programme evaluation, human resources management, management, public administration, monitoring and/or programme performance, as well as knowledge of the United Nations system and its role in international relations (resolution [59/267](#)). At its sixty-first session, under the item entitled “Joint Inspection Unit”, the Assembly decided that, beginning on 1 January 2008, the President of the Assembly, when drawing up the list of countries that would

be requested to propose candidates, would invite Member States to submit the names of the countries and their respective candidates simultaneously (resolution [61/238](#)).

The Assembly has had the item entitled “Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit” on its agenda at its thirty-second, thirty-fourth to thirty-sixth, thirty-ninth, forty-first to forty-fourth, forty-sixth to fifty-fourth, fifty-sixth to fifty-ninth, sixty-first to sixty-fourth, sixty-sixth, sixty-eighth to seventy-first and seventy-third to seventy-seventh sessions (decisions 32/317, 34/322, 35/317, 36/320, 39/305 A to C, 41/319, 42/319, 43/326, 44/315 A and B, 46/314 A and B, 47/329, 48/320, 49/321, 50/318, 51/320, 52/322, 53/320, 54/321, 56/319, 57/416, 58/422, 59/416 A and B, 61/421, 62/402, 63/416, 64/425, 66/417 A and B, 68/424, 69/419, 70/419, 71/413 A to C, 73/414, 74/416, 75/415, 76/417 and 77/417).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly appointed Hoshino Toshiya (Japan) as a member of the Joint Inspection Unit for a five-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2023 and expiring on 31 December 2027 (decision 77/417).

As from 1 January 2023, the Joint Inspection Unit is composed of the following 11 members: Mohanad Ali Omran Al-Musawi (Iraq),\*\*\* Pavel Chernikov (Russian Federation),\*\*\* Eileen Cronin (United States of America),\*\* Carolina María Fernández Opazo (Mexico),\*\* Gaemelwe Goitseamang (Botswana),\*\*\* Hoshino Toshiya (Japan),\*\*\* Conrod Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda),\*\*\* Jesús Miranda Hita (Spain),\* Victor Moraru (Republic of Moldova),\* Gönke Roscher (Germany)\* and Tesfaalem Seyoum (Eritrea).\*

\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2026.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2027.

At its seventy-ninth session, the Assembly will need to fill the vacancies arising from the expiration of the terms of office of Mr. Hita, Mr. Moraru, Ms. Roscher and Mr. Seyoum.

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General.

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 118 (j))**

Notes by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/192</a> and <a href="#">A/77/370</a>
Note by the President of the General Assembly	<a href="#">A/77/643</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.34</a> and <a href="#">56</a>
Decision	77/417

#### **(j) Appointment of the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services**

At its forty-eighth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations”, decided to establish an Office of Internal Oversight Services under the authority of the Secretary-General, the head of which would be at the rank of Under-Secretary-General; that the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services would be appointed by the Secretary-General, following consultations with Member States, and approved by the Assembly and that, for that purpose, the Secretary-General would appoint the Under-Secretary-General with due regard for geographical rotation and in so doing would be guided by the provisions of paragraph 3 (e) of resolution [46/232](#), in which the Assembly had decided, in particular, that, as a general rule, no national of a Member State should succeed a national of that State in a senior post and that

there should be no monopoly on senior posts by nationals of any State or group of States; and that the Under-Secretary-General would serve for one fixed term of five years without possibility of renewal (resolution [48/218 B](#); see also decision [48/323](#)).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-third, fifty-fourth, fifty-ninth, sixth-fourth, sixty-ninth, seventieth and seventy-fourth sessions (decisions [53/489](#), [54/320](#), [59/418](#), [64/427](#), [70/402](#) and [74/404](#); see also decisions [70/504](#) and [73/417](#)).

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly approved the appointment by the Secretary-General of Fatoumata Ndiaye (Senegal) as Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services for a fixed term of five years beginning on 25 October 2019 and ending on 24 October 2024 (decision [74/404](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General.

#### **References for the seventy-fourth session (agenda item 115 (h))**

Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/74/488</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/74/PV.17</a>
Decision	<a href="#">74/404</a>

### **118. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit**

At its fifty-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the sub-item entitled “The Millennium Assembly of the United Nations” under the item entitled “United Nations reform: measures and proposals”, adopted the United Nations Millennium Declaration (resolution [55/2](#)).

The item entitled “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit” was included in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the Assembly at the request of Algeria, Finland, Namibia, Poland, Singapore and Venezuela (see [A/55/235](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-fifth session (resolutions [55/162](#), [56/95](#), [57/144](#), [57/145](#), [58/3](#), [58/16](#), [58/291](#), [59/27](#), [59/57](#), [59/145](#), [59/291](#), [59/314](#), [60/1](#) (2005 World Summit Outcome), [60/180](#) (Peacebuilding Commission), [60/251](#) (Human Rights Council), [60/260](#), [60/265](#), [60/283](#), [60/287](#), [60/288](#), [61/16](#), [61/225](#), [61/244](#) to [61/246](#), [62/8](#), [62/214](#), [62/270](#), [62/277](#), [62/278](#), [63/23](#), [63/142](#), [63/235](#), [63/281](#), [63/302](#), [63/308](#), [63/311](#), [64/1](#), [64/184](#), [64/265](#), [64/289](#) to [64/291](#), [64/299](#), [65/1](#) (Keeping the promise: united to achieve the Millennium Development Goals), [65/7](#), [65/238](#), [65/281](#), [65/285](#), [66/2](#), [66/290](#), [68/1](#), [68/6](#) (outcome document of the special event to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals), [68/271](#), [68/275](#), [68/300](#) (outcome document of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the comprehensive review and assessment of the progress achieved in the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases), [69/108](#), [69/244](#), [69/269](#), [69/315](#), [70/1](#) (2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development), [70/262](#), [70/290](#), [70/299](#), [70/302](#), [71/1](#) (New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants), [71/280](#), [71/313](#), [72/244](#), [72/274](#), [72/305](#), [72/308](#), [73/2](#) (political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases), [73/195](#) (Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration), [74/275](#), [74/298](#), [75/290 A](#) and [B](#), [76/266](#) (Progress Declaration of the International Migration Review Forum), [78/1](#) (Political declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the General Assembly) and [78/285](#) and decisions [61/546](#), [61/562](#), [63/571](#), [64/555](#), [64/564](#), [65/504](#), [65/549](#), [67/563](#), [69/550](#), [69/555](#), [69/557](#), [70/539](#), [74/508](#) and [78/544](#)).

At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to prepare an annual report and a comprehensive report every five years on progress achieved by the United Nations system and Member States towards implementing the Millennium Declaration, drawing upon the road map (A/56/326) and in accordance with resolution 55/162, and requested that the annual reports focus on cross-cutting and cross-sectoral issues, as well as on the major areas set forth in the road map, while the quinquennial comprehensive reports examine progress achieved towards implementing all the commitments made in the Declaration (resolution 56/95).

At its sixtieth session, the Assembly decided to dedicate a specific meeting focused on development, including an assessment of progress over the previous year, at each session of the Assembly during the debate on the follow-up to the Millennium Declaration and the 2005 World Summit Outcome (resolution 60/265). At the specific meeting held at its seventy-eighth session, there were no speakers under the item (see A/78/PV.15).

At its sixty-fourth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, starting at the sixty-fifth session of the Assembly, and as background material for the comprehensive policy review, to make available a compilation of all relevant legislation on the roles and responsibilities of the Assembly, the Economic and Social Council, including its subsidiary bodies, the executive boards of funds and programmes of the United Nations and the governing bodies of the specialized agencies in the governance of United Nations operational activities for development (resolution 64/289).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “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”, decided to maintain the status of the Human Rights Council as a subsidiary body of the Assembly and to consider again the question of whether to maintain this status at an appropriate moment and at a time no sooner than 10 years and no later than 15 years (resolution 65/281).

At its seventy-second session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “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”, decided that the Assembly should adopt one main theme for the high-level political forums and the Economic and Social Council, bearing in mind the provisions of resolution 70/299 (resolution 72/305).

At its seventy-third session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in consultation with Member States, and in collaboration with the World Health Organization and relevant funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, to submit to the Assembly, by the end of 2024, for consideration by Member States, a report on the progress achieved in the implementation of the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases, in preparation for a high-level meeting on a comprehensive review, in 2025, of the progress achieved in the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases and the promotion of mental health and well-being (resolution 73/2).

At the same session, the Assembly endorsed the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, which would also be known as the Marrakech Compact on Migration, in which the Heads of State and Government and High Representatives requested the Secretary-General, drawing on the United Nations Network on Migration, to report to the Assembly on a biennial basis on the implementation of the Global Compact, the activities of the United Nations system in this regard, as well as the functioning of the institutional arrangements; and decided that the High-level

Dialogue on International Migration and Development should be repurposed and renamed “International Migration Review Forum” and that each edition of the forum would result in an intergovernmentally agreed Progress Declaration, which might be taken into consideration by the high-level political forum on sustainable development (resolution [73/195](#)). The Assembly also decided that the forums should take place during the first semester of the year 2022, and thereafter every four years at United Nations Headquarters in New York, and should last for four days; requested the Secretary-General, as part of the biennial report preceding each forum and drawing on the network, to provide guidance for the deliberations during the forum, including the envisaged round tables and policy debate, and to make the report available at least 12 weeks ahead of each forum; requested the Secretary-General, with input from the network, to prepare a background note for each round table to be circulated at least 6 weeks prior to each forum; requested the President of the Assembly to appoint two co-facilitators no later than two months ahead of each forum to conduct open, transparent and inclusive intergovernmental consultations, with a view to agreeing on the Progress Declaration, preferably before the beginning of each forum; and decided to review, after the second forum, its format and organizational aspects, unless otherwise decided (resolution [73/326](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “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”, decided that the arrangements contained in resolutions [75/290 A](#) and [75/290 B](#) and the annexes thereto would be reviewed at its seventy-eighth session, in conjunction with the review of the high-level political forum on sustainable development and the review of the Economic and Social Council (resolutions [75/290 A](#) and [75/290 B](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “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”, endorsed the Progress Declaration of the International Migration Review Forum, in which the Heads of State and Government and High Representatives requested the President of the Assembly to hold a plenary meeting of the Assembly in the second half of 2024 in order to consider the next biennial report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Global Compact, as well as the outcomes of the regional reviews, presented by the coordinator of the Network, and for Member States and stakeholders to present, on a voluntary basis, information on progress in implementing the pledges they made in the context of the Forum (resolution [76/266](#), annex).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with the items entitled “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”, “Strengthening of the United Nations system” and “United Nations reform: measures and proposals”, where no statements were made by delegations (see [A/78/PV.16](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly, also under the item entitled “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”, agreed to fully review at its eightieth session the arrangements contained in resolutions [75/290 A](#) and [75/290 B](#) and their annexes, in conjunction with each other, in order to benefit from lessons learned from the previous cycles of the high-level political forum as well as from relevant processes under the Assembly and the Economic and Social Council related to the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda (resolution [78/285](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General* (resolution [73/2](#)).

*Documents for the eightieth session: Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [73/195](#) and [73/326](#))*

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 117)**

Draft resolutions	<a href="#">A/78/L.1</a> (also applies to item 13) and <a href="#">A/78/L.73</a> (also applies to item 13)
Draft decision	<a href="#">A/78/L.35</a> (also applies to item 13)
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.15</a> (jointly with item 13), <a href="#">16</a> (jointly with items 13, 122 and 123), <a href="#">53</a> (also applies to item 13) and <a href="#">88</a> (also applies to item 13)
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/1</a> (also applies to item 13) and <a href="#">78/285</a> (also applies to item 13)
Decision	<a href="#">78/544</a> (also applies to item 117)

**119. Commemoration of the abolition of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade**

The item entitled “Commemoration of the abolition of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade” was included in the agenda of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly at the request of Saint Lucia ([A/61/233](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-first session (resolutions [61/19](#), [62/122](#), [63/5](#), [64/15](#), [65/239](#), [66/114](#), [67/108](#), [68/7](#), [69/19](#), [70/7](#) and [73/345](#) and decisions [72/552](#), [73/551](#), [75/560](#), [76/557](#), [77/555](#) and [78/548](#)).

At its seventieth session, the Assembly requested the organization of an annual series of activities to commemorate the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, including a commemorative meeting of the Assembly at United Nations Headquarters and, as appropriate, activities through the network of United Nations information centres (resolution [70/7](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 118)**

Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.64</a>
Decision	<a href="#">78/548</a>

**124. United Nations reform: measures and proposals**

The item entitled “United Nations reform: measures and proposals” was included in the agenda of the fifty-first session of the General Assembly at the request of the Secretary-General ([A/51/239](#) and [A/51/239/Add.1](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-first to fifty-fifth sessions (resolutions [52/30](#), [53/202](#), [54/254](#), [54/261](#), [54/281](#), [54/282](#) and [55/2](#) (United Nations Millennium Declaration) and decisions [51/473](#) and [54/489](#)).

At its fifty-fifth session, under the items entitled “Strengthening of the United Nations system” and “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, the Assembly decided that the item would be considered biennially as from its fifty-sixth session (resolution [55/285](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its

fifty-sixth session, as well as at its sixty-first, sixty-seventh, sixty-ninth, seventy-first and seventy-third sessions (resolutions [60/260](#), [60/283](#), [61/244](#) to [61/246](#), [66/254](#), [68/2](#), [68/268](#), [68/306](#) and [72/199](#); see also decisions 60/551 C, 67/504 A, 69/504 A and 73/504 A).

At its sixty-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it, on a biennial basis, a comprehensive report on the status of the human rights treaty body system and the progress achieved by the treaty bodies in realizing greater efficiency and effectiveness in their work, to enhance the engagement of all States parties in the dialogue with the treaty bodies (resolution [68/268](#)). At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of human rights: implementation of human rights instruments”, reiterated its request, made in paragraph 40 of its resolution [68/268](#), that the Secretary-General submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session a report on the status of the human rights treaty body system (resolution [77/210](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with the items entitled “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”, “Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit” and “Strengthening of the United Nations system”, where no delegations made statements (see [A/78/PV.16](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolutions [68/268](#) and [77/210](#)).

#### **Reference for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 123)**

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.16](#) (jointly with items 13, 117 and 122)

## **126. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations**

At its fifty-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled “Strengthening of the United Nations system” and “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided that all cooperation items would be clustered under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations” and individual cooperation items would become sub-items of that item; that the item would be biennialized, starting at the fifty-seventh session, and would appear in the agenda of the Assembly thereafter at odd-numbered sessions; that the biennialization would be reflected in each related resolution, starting at the fifty-sixth session, as appropriate; that a joint debate would be held on the cooperation item, during which all or some aspects of cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations might be addressed; and that the cooperation item and its sub-items would read as follows:

“Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations:

- “(a) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity;
- “(b) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
- “(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization;



- “(d) Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States;
- “(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System;
- “(f) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States;
- “(g) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe;
- “(h) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community;
- “(i) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization;
- “(j) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union;
- “(k) Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie;
- “(l) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization;
- “(m) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe;
- “(n) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States;
- “(o) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons;
- “(p) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (resolution [55/285](#), annex).”

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-sixth session and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [67/109](#), [69/277](#) (political declaration on strengthening cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations), [71/19](#) and [77/322](#)).

At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly, on recommendation by the General Committee in the light of resolution [55/285](#) ([A/56/250](#), para. 59), decided to include the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations” in the agenda of that session, with all cooperation items mandated for that session becoming its sub-items (see also decision 56/402 A on the allocation of agenda items).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, decided that the Secretary-General would submit a single consolidated report on all cooperation items under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, to take effect beginning with the fifty-ninth session of the Assembly (resolution [58/316](#), annex).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with all its sub-items, where statements were made by 25 delegations (see [A/77/PV.39](#) and [40](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General* (resolution [58/316](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.90</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , 40 and 95
Resolution	<a href="#">77/322</a>

**(a) Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity” was first included in the agenda of the twentieth session of the General Assembly at the request of Algeria, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo (Brazzaville), Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dahomey, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta and Zambia ([A/5978](#) and [A/5978/Corr.1](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twentieth to twenty-second, twenty-fourth, twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh to fifty-sixth sessions (resolutions [2011 \(XX\)](#), [2193 \(XXI\)](#), [2505 \(XXIV\)](#), [2863 \(XXVI\)](#), [2962 \(XXVII\)](#), [3066 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3280 \(XXIX\)](#), [3412 \(XXX\)](#), [31/13](#), [32/19](#), [33/27](#), [34/21](#), [35/117](#), [36/80](#), [37/15](#), [38/5](#), [39/8](#), [40/20](#), [41/8](#), [42/9](#), [43/12](#), [44/17](#), [45/13](#), [46/20](#), [47/148](#), [48/25](#), [49/64](#), [50/158](#), [51/151](#), [52/20](#), [53/91](#), [54/94](#), [55/218](#) and [56/48](#), a decision adopted at the twenty-second session and decision 56/475).

At its fifty-sixth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Adoption of the agenda and organization of work”, decided to change the title of the sub-item from “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity” to “Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union” (decision 56/402 B). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#), as well as at its seventy-second session (resolutions [57/48](#), [59/213](#), [61/296](#), [63/310](#), [65/274](#), [67/302](#) and [71/254](#) and decision 71/564).

At its seventy-first session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report on a biennial basis to the Assembly on the implementation of the Framework for a Renewed United Nations-African Union Partnership on Africa’s Integration and Development Agenda 2017–2027 within the context of his report on cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union (resolution [71/254](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [71/254](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (a))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40

**(b) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference” was included in the agenda of the thirty-fifth session of the General Assembly, in 1980, at the request of Pakistan ([A/35/192](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-fifth to fifty-sixth sessions and biennially at its fifty-seventh to sixty-fifth sessions pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [35/36](#), [36/23](#), [37/4](#), [38/4](#), [39/7](#), [40/4](#), [41/3](#), [42/4](#), [43/2](#), [44/8](#), [45/9](#), [46/13](#), [47/18](#), [48/24](#), [49/15](#), [50/17](#), [51/18](#), [52/4](#), [53/16](#), [54/7](#), [55/9](#), [56/47](#), [57/42](#), [59/8](#), [61/49](#), [63/114](#) and [65/140](#)).

On 28 June 2011, the Organization of the Islamic Conference changed its name to the Organization of Islamic Cooperation. The title of the item was therefore revised as “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation”. The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#), as well as at its seventy-second session (resolutions [67/264](#), [69/317](#), [72/74](#), [73/135](#), [75/16](#) and [77/18](#); see also decision [72/504](#) on the allocation of agenda items).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the state of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (resolution [77/18](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/18](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (b))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.18</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/18</a>

#### **(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization**

The item entitled “Twenty-fifth anniversary of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee” was included in the agenda of the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Bangladesh, Botswana, Cyprus, Egypt, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Kenya, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Oman, Pakistan, the Philippines, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, the United Arab Emirates, the United Republic of Tanzania and Yemen ([A/36/191](#), [A/36/191/Add.1](#) and [A/36/191/Add.2](#)). At that session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh session an item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee” (resolution [36/38](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-seventh to forty-first sessions and biennially from its forty-third to fifty-fifth sessions (resolutions [37/8](#), [38/37](#), [39/47](#), [40/60](#), [41/5](#), [43/1](#), [45/4](#), [47/6](#), [49/8](#), [51/11](#), [53/14](#) and [55/4](#)).

By a circular letter dated 5 July 2001, the Secretary-General of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization announced the decision to change its name from the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee to the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization in accordance with its resolution 40/ORG 3 of 24 June 2001. The title of the item was therefore revised as “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization”. The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [57/36](#), [59/3](#), [61/5](#) and [63/10](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (c))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>

**(d) Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States**

This item was included in the agenda of the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Algeria (A/36/196). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-sixth to fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution 55/285 (resolutions 36/24, 37/17, 38/6, 39/9, 40/5, 41/4, 42/5, 43/3, 44/7, 45/82, 46/24, 47/12, 48/21, 49/14, 50/16, 51/20, 52/5, 53/8, 54/9, 55/10, 56/40, 57/46, 59/9, 61/14, 63/17, 65/126, 67/11 A and B, 69/9, 71/11, 73/267, 75/11 and 77/17).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution 77/17).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/17).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (d))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.17</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/17</a>

**(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System” was included in the agenda of the forty-second session of the General Assembly at the request of Bolivia, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay (A/42/192, A/42/192/Add.1 and A/42/192/Add.2). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-second to fiftieth, fifty-second to fifty-fourth and fifty-sixth sessions and biennially at its fifty-seventh to sixty-seventh sessions pursuant to resolution 55/285 (resolutions 42/12, 43/5, 44/4, 45/5, 46/12, 47/13, 48/22, 49/6, 50/14, 52/3, 54/8, 56/98, 57/39, 59/258, 63/12 and 67/12 and decision 53/408).

The title of the item was revised as “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System” at the sixty-ninth session. The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-ninth session pursuant to resolution 55/285 (resolution 75/14).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution 77/117).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/117).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (e))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.22</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , <a href="#">40</a> and <a href="#">47</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/117</a>

**(f) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States” was included in the agenda of the forty-second session of the General Assembly at the request of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Paraguay, Saint Lucia and Venezuela (A/42/191, A/42/191/Add.1 and A/42/191/Add.2). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-second and forty-third sessions and biennially at its forty-fifth to fifty-fifth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution 55/285 (resolutions 42/11, 43/4, 45/10, 47/11, 49/5, 51/4, 53/9, 55/15, 57/157 and 59/257).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (f))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40

**(g) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe**

The item entitled “Coordination of the activities of the United Nations and the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe” was included in the agenda of the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly at the request of Czechoslovakia (A/47/192). At that session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of the forty-eighth session an item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe” (resolution 47/10). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-eighth and forty-ninth sessions (resolutions 48/19 and 49/13).

At its fiftieth session, the Assembly took note of the Document of the Budapest Summit of 1994 of the Conference (A/49/800, annex), in particular the decision that, in order to reflect the fundamental change in the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and the dramatic growth in its role in shaping a common security area, the Conference would henceforth be known as the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (resolution 50/87). The title of the item was therefore revised as “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe”. The Assembly had the item on its agenda annually from its fiftieth to fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution 55/285, as well as at its sixtieth session (resolutions 50/87, 51/57, 52/22, 53/85, 54/117, 55/179, 56/216 and 57/298 and decisions 50/423 and 59/567).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (g))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40

**(h) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community” was included in the agenda of the forty-ninth session of the General Assembly at the request of Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint

Vincent and the Grenadines and Trinidad and Tobago ([A/49/238](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda biennially at its forty-ninth to fifty-fifth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [49/141](#), [51/16](#), [53/17](#), [55/17](#), [57/41](#), [59/138](#), [61/50](#), [63/34](#), [65/242](#), [67/249](#), [69/265](#), [71/329](#), [73/347](#), [75/323](#) and [77/337](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/337](#))

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/337](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (h))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.103</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , 40 and 99
Resolution	<a href="#">77/337</a>

#### **(i) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization” was included in the agenda of the fiftieth session of the General Assembly at the request of Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan ([A/50/143](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fiftieth to fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [50/1](#), [51/21](#), [52/19](#), [53/15](#), [54/100](#), [55/42](#), [56/44](#), [57/38](#), [59/4](#), [61/12](#), [63/144](#), [65/129](#), [67/14](#), [69/111](#), [71/16](#), [73/330](#), [75/324](#) and [77/330](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/330](#))

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/330](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (i))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.102</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , 40 and 96
Resolution	<a href="#">77/330</a>

#### **(j) Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation” was included in the agenda of the fiftieth session of the General Assembly at the request of Belgium, Benin, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Côte d’Ivoire, Djibouti, France, Gabon, Greece, Guinea-Bissau, the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Mauritius, Monaco, the Niger, Portugal, Romania, Senegal,

Togo, Tunisia and Viet Nam ([A/50/148](#) and [A/50/148/Add.1](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fiftieth and fifty-second sessions (resolutions [50/3](#) and [52/2](#)).

At its fifty-third session, the Assembly, under the item entitled “Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: reports of the General Committee”, decided that the International Organization of la Francophonie would participate, in the capacity of observer, in the sessions and the work of the Assembly and its subsidiary organs, instead of the Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation (decision 53/453). The title of the item was therefore revised as “Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie”. The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fourth and fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [54/25](#), [56/45](#), [57/43](#), [59/22](#), [61/7](#), [63/236](#), [65/263](#), [67/137](#), [69/270](#), [71/289](#), [73/290](#), [75/307](#) and [77/331](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/331](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/331](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (j))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.97</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , 40 and 96
Resolution	<a href="#">77/331</a>

#### **(k) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization” was included in the agenda of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of Austria ([A/54/191](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fourth to fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [54/65](#), [54/280](#), [56/49](#), [57/49](#), [59/6](#), [61/47](#), [63/13](#), [65/127](#), [67/9](#), [69/112](#), [73/12](#), [75/13](#) and [77/11](#) and decisions [54/501](#) and [55/408](#)).

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly approved the Agreement to Regulate the Relationship between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (resolution [54/280](#)), under which the Executive Secretary of the Commission shall be entitled to attend plenary meetings of the Assembly for the purposes of consultation; the Executive Secretary shall be entitled to attend and participate without vote in meetings of the Committees of the Assembly and, subject to the rules of procedure and practice of the bodies concerned, in meetings of subsidiary bodies of the Assembly and the Committees concerning matters of interest to the Commission; and the Commission shall, within its competence and in accordance with the provisions of the Treaty, keep the United Nations informed of its activities, and may submit through the Secretary-General of the United Nations reports thereon on a regular or ad hoc basis to the principal organs of the United Nations concerned.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the

United Nations and regional and other organizations”, the sub-item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization” (resolution [77/11](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (resolution [54/280](#), annex).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (k))**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization covering the year 2021 ([A/77/95/Rev.1](#) and [A/77/95/Rev.1/Add.1](#))

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.4</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/11</a>

#### **(l) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe” was included in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of Italy ([A/55/191](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fifth to fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [55/3](#), [56/43](#), [57/156](#), [59/139](#), [61/13](#), [63/14](#), [65/130](#), [67/83](#), [69/83](#), [71/17](#), [73/15](#), [75/264](#) and [77/284](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on cooperation between the two organizations in the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/284](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/284](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (l))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.65</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , <a href="#">40</a> and <a href="#">69</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/284</a>

#### **(m) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States” was included in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of Equatorial Guinea ([A/55/233](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-fifth and fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [55/22](#), [56/39](#), [57/40](#) and [59/310](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.



**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (m))**

Report of the Secretary-General [A/77/277](#)  
 Plenary meetings [A/77/PV.39](#) and [40](#)

**(n) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons” was included in the agendas of the fifty-first and fifty-fifth sessions of the General Assembly at the request of the Netherlands ([A/51/238](#) and [A/55/234](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-first, fifty-fifth and fifty-sixth sessions and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [51/230](#), [55/283](#), [56/42](#), [57/45](#), [59/7](#), [61/224](#), [63/115](#), [65/236](#), [67/8](#), [69/14](#), [71/250](#), [73/258](#), [75/265](#) and [77/272](#) and decision 51/480).

At its fifty-fifth session, the Assembly approved the Agreement concerning the Relationship between the United Nations and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (resolution [55/283](#)), under which the Director General of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons would report on a regular basis, as appropriate and as duly mandated by the Executive Council, through the Secretary-General to the Assembly and the Security Council.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, the sub-item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons” (resolution [77/272](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (resolution [55/283](#), annex).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (n))**

Note by the Secretary-General referring to the annual report for 2020 and transmitting the draft report for 2021 of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons ([A/77/158](#))

Draft resolution [A/77/L.49/Rev.1](#)  
 Plenary meetings [A/77/PV.39](#), [40](#) and [59](#)  
 Resolution [77/272](#)

**(o) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization**

At its fifty-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Globalization and interdependence”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session an item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization” (resolution [55/211](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [57/34](#), [59/259](#), [61/4](#), [63/11](#), [65/128](#), [67/13](#), [69/13](#), [71/18](#), [73/13](#) and [75/12](#)).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (o))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40

**(p) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum” was included in the agenda of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Kiribati ([A/56/144](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-sixth session and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [56/41](#), [57/37](#), [59/20](#), [61/48](#), [63/200](#), [65/316](#), [67/303](#), [69/318](#), [71/316](#), [73/332](#), [75/288](#) and [77/332](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/332](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/332](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (p))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.94</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , 40 and 96
Resolution	<a href="#">77/332</a>

**(q) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations” was included in the agenda of the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly at the request of Cambodia on behalf of the 10 members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations ([A/57/233](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-seventh session (resolutions [57/35](#), [59/5](#), [61/46](#), [63/35](#), [65/235](#), [67/110](#), [69/110](#), [71/255](#), [71/317](#), [73/259](#), [75/15](#) and [77/12](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/12](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/12](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (q))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.12/Rev.1</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40
Resolution	<a href="#">77/12</a>

**(r) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries” was included in the agenda of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly at the request of Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, Portugal, Sao Tome and Principe and Timor-Leste ([A/59/231](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its fifty-ninth session and at its seventy-sixth session (resolutions [59/21](#), [61/223](#), [63/143](#), [65/139](#), [67/252](#), [69/311](#), [71/324](#), [73/339](#) and [77/14](#) and decisions 75/586 and 76/582).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/14](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/14](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (r))**

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.14</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/14</a>

**(s) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization” was included in the agenda of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan ([A/64/141](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its sixty-fourth session and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-fifth session (resolutions [64/183](#), [65/124](#), [67/15](#), [69/11](#), [71/14](#), [73/334](#), [75/268](#) and [77/338](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/338](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/338](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (s))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.107</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> , <a href="#">40</a> and <a href="#">99</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/338</a>

**(t) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Collective Security Treaty Organization” was included in the agenda of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan ([A/64/191](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its sixty-fourth session and has had the item on its agenda

biennially since its sixty-fifth session (resolutions [64/256](#), [65/122](#), [67/6](#), [69/12](#), [71/12](#), [73/331](#), [75/276](#) and [77/13](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/13](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/13](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (t))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.13</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/13</a>

#### **(u) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative” was included in the agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly at the request of Ukraine ([A/67/232](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-seventh session (resolutions [67/7](#), [69/8](#), [71/13](#), [73/10](#), [75/7](#) and [77/19](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/19](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/19](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (u))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.19</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/19</a>

#### **(v) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development – GUAM**

At its sixty-seventh session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, a sub-item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development – GUAM” (resolution [67/109](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-ninth session (resolutions [69/271](#), [71/15](#), [73/14](#), [75/8](#) and [77/15](#) and decision [71/556](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/15](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/15](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (v))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.15</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40
Resolution	<a href="#">77/15</a>

**(w) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States” was included in the agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly at the request of Belarus ([A/69/141](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-ninth session (resolutions [69/10](#), [71/10](#), [73/16](#), [75/9](#) and [77/16](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/16](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/16](#)).

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (w))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.16</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40
Resolution	<a href="#">77/16</a>

**(x) Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization for Migration**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization for Migration” was included in the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly at the request of the Secretary-General ([A/70/233](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its seventieth session and has had the item on its agenda biennially since its seventy-first session (resolution [70/296](#)).

At its seventieth session, the Assembly approved the Agreement concerning the Relationship between the United Nations and the International Organization for Migration (resolution [70/296](#)), under which the International Organization for Migration may, if it decides it to be appropriate, submit reports on its activities to the Assembly through the Secretary-General.

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (x))**

Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and 40
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**(y) Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)**

At its seventy-first session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the

item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, a sub-item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)” (resolution [71/19](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its seventy-third session (resolutions [73/11](#), [75/10](#) and [77/20](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/20](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/20](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (y))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.20</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/20</a>

#### **(z) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development” was included in the agenda of the seventy-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of Slovakia and Spain ([A/75/141](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda since its seventy-fifth session (resolutions [75/269](#) and [77/21](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the resolution (resolution [77/21](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/21](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 127 (aa))**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/77/277</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.21</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/77/PV.39</a> and <a href="#">40</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/21</a>

### **127. Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union**

The item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union” was included in the agenda of the fiftieth session of the General Assembly at the request of Senegal ([A/50/141](#), [A/50/141/Corr.1](#), [A/50/141/Corr.2](#), [A/50/141/Add.1](#), [A/50/141/Add.2](#) and [A/50/141/Add.3](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fiftieth to fifty-sixth sessions and biennially from the fifty-seventh to sixty-fifth sessions pursuant to resolution [55/285](#) (resolutions [50/15](#), [51/7](#), [52/7](#), [53/13](#), [54/12](#), [55/19](#), [56/46](#), [57/32](#), [57/47](#), [59/19](#), [61/6](#), [63/24](#) and [65/123](#) and decision [56/425](#)).

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to allow the circulation in the Assembly of official documents adopted by the Inter-Parliamentary Union, on the understanding that no financial implications would result for the United Nations and that it would not constitute a precedent for other organizations with observer status (resolution [57/47](#)).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly called for the further development of the annual parliamentary hearings at the United Nations as a joint United Nations-Inter-Parliamentary Union event and for the circulation of the hearings summary report as a document of the Assembly and decided, in recognition of the unique role of national parliaments in support of the work of the United Nations, to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-sixth session an item entitled “Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union” (resolution [65/123](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda biennially since its sixty-sixth session (resolutions [66/261](#), [68/272](#), [70/298](#), [72/278](#), [74/304](#) and [76/270](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested that the Secretary-General submit it at its seventy-ninth session a report under the item, with a special focus on the implementation of the shared global objectives of United Nations entities and the Inter-Parliamentary Union, including best practices and contributions of Member States, national parliaments, the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union to increase the representation and participation of women in parliaments (resolution [76/270](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:*

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [76/270](#));
- (b) Note by the President of the General Assembly (resolution [65/123](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 128)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/76/780</a>
Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/76/L.63</a> and <a href="#">A/76/L.63/Add.1</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/76/PV.85</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">76/270</a>

## **128. Global health and foreign policy**

At its sixty-third session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled “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”, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fourth session an item entitled “Global health and foreign policy” (resolution [63/33](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-fourth session (resolutions [64/108](#), [65/95](#), [66/115](#), [67/81](#), [68/98](#), [69/1](#), [69/131](#), [69/132](#), [70/183](#), [70/297](#), [71/3](#) (political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on antimicrobial resistance), [71/159](#), [72/138](#), [72/139](#), [72/268](#), [73/3](#) (political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the fight against tuberculosis), [73/131](#), [73/132](#), [74/2](#) (political declaration of the high-level meeting on universal health coverage), [74/20](#), [75/27](#), [75/130](#), [75/131](#), [76/257](#), [76/301](#), [76/302](#), [77/274](#), [77/275](#), [77/300](#), [78/3](#) (political declaration of the General Assembly high-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response), [78/4](#) (political declaration of the high-level meeting on universal health coverage), [78/5](#) (political declaration of the high-level meeting on

the fight against tuberculosis), [78/12](#), [78/130](#), [78/131](#), [78/269](#) and [78/280](#) and decisions [72/560](#), [72/565](#) and [77/562](#) to [77/564](#)).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly invited the Secretary-General to inform the Assembly about the implementation of the United Nations Decade of Healthy Ageing (2021–2030), on the basis of the triennial reports to be compiled by the World Health Organization in 2023, 2026 and 2029 (resolution [75/131](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to provide, in consultation with Member States and in close collaboration with the World Health Organization, other relevant agencies and relevant stakeholders, during the eightieth session of the Assembly, a progress report on the implementation of the resolution entitled “Mental health and psychosocial support” (resolution [77/300](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by 15 delegations (see [A/78/PV.41](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to provide, in consultation with the World Health Organization and other relevant agencies, a report including recommendations on the implementation of the declaration towards strengthening pandemic prevention, preparedness and response during the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly, which would serve to inform a high-level meeting to be convened in 2026, and decided to convene a high-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response in 2026 in New York, aimed at undertaking a comprehensive review of the implementation of the declaration, the scope and modalities of which would be decided no later than the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly, taking into consideration and in full coordination with the outcomes of other ongoing related processes to strengthen pandemic prevention, preparedness and response (resolution [78/3](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to provide, in consultation with the World Health Organization and other relevant agencies, a progress report during the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly, and a report including recommendations on the implementation of the declaration towards achieving universal health coverage during the eighty-first session of the Assembly, which would serve to inform the high-level meeting to be convened in 2027; and decided to convene a high-level meeting on universal health coverage in 2027 in New York, aimed to undertake a comprehensive review on the implementation of the declaration to identify gaps and solutions to accelerate progress towards the achievement of universal health coverage by 2030, the scope and modalities of which would be decided no later than the eightieth session of the Assembly, taking into consideration the outcomes of other existing health-related processes and the revitalization of the work of the Assembly (resolution [78/4](#)).

Also at its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, with the support of the World Health Organization, to report, as part of his annual Sustainable Development Goals report, on the global effort to end tuberculosis, and to present to the Assembly a report in 2027 on the progress achieved in realizing the commitments made in the declaration towards agreed tuberculosis goals at the national, regional and global levels, including on the progress of multisectoral action, within the context of achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which would serve to inform preparations for a comprehensive review by Heads of State and Government at a high-level meeting on tuberculosis in 2028 (resolution [78/5](#)).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to provide, in consultation with the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children’s Fund and other relevant international organizations, within existing resources, a progress report on the implementation of the resolution in 2025 during the seventy-ninth



session of the Assembly, which would serve to inform States and the United Nations development system (resolution [78/130](#)).

Also at the same session, the Assembly decided that the high-level meeting on antimicrobial resistance, to be convened by the President of the Assembly on 26 September 2024, would approve a concise and action-oriented political declaration with a shared vision including the consideration of measurable targets and objectives on, inter alia, mobilizing political will and action at the national, regional and international levels to address the drivers, sources and challenges of antimicrobial resistance, agreed in advance by consensus through intergovernmental negotiations, to be submitted by the President of the Assembly for adoption by the Assembly (resolution [78/269](#)).

Also at its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in close collaboration with the Director General of the World Health Organization as well as with relevant international organizations, to report to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on improving international cooperation and multilateral efforts to address global health challenges and promote equity in health for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda (resolution [78/280](#)).

*Documents for the seventy-ninth session:* Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions [78/3](#), [78/4](#), [78/130](#), [78/269](#) and [78/280](#)).

*Document for the eightieth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/300](#)).

*Documents for the eighty-first session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolutions [75/131](#) and [78/5](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 125)**

Report of the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/88</a>
Note by the Secretary-General	<a href="#">A/78/356</a>
Draft resolutions	<a href="#">A/78/L.2</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.3</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.4</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.12</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.14</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.24</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.50</a> and <a href="#">A/78/L.62</a>
Draft amendments	<a href="#">A/78/L.31</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.32</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.55</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.64</a> , <a href="#">A/78/L.65</a> and <a href="#">A/78/L.66</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/78/PV.16</a> , 41, 48, 64 and 77
Resolutions	<a href="#">78/3</a> to <a href="#">78/5</a> , <a href="#">78/12</a> , <a href="#">78/130</a> , <a href="#">78/131</a> , <a href="#">78/269</a> and <a href="#">78/280</a>

## **129. International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals**

In 2010, the Security Council established the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, with a branch for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and a branch for the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, which commenced functioning on 1 July 2012 and 1 July 2013, respectively, and adopted the statute of the Mechanism (Council resolution [1966 \(2010\)](#)), under which the President of the Mechanism is requested to submit an annual report to the Council and to the General Assembly; the Mechanism shall have a roster of 25 independent judges, not more than two of whom may be nationals of the same State; in the event of a vacancy in the roster, after consultation with the Presidents of the Security Council and the Assembly, the Secretary-General shall appoint a person meeting the

qualifications of article 9, paragraph 1, of the statute, for the remainder of the term of office concerned; and the judges shall be eligible for reappointment by the Secretary-General after consultation with the Presidents of the Security Council and the Assembly.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-sixth session (resolutions [66/240](#) A and B and [70/227](#) and decisions 66/416, 67/567, 68/510, 69/509, 70/507, 71/511, 72/508, 73/415 A and B, 73/506, 74/504, 75/507, 76/509, 77/508 and 78/506).

On 22 June 2022, the Secretary-General appointed Judge Graciela Susana Gatti Santana (Uruguay) as President of the Mechanism to replace Judge Carmel A. Agius (Malta) from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2024 and reappointed all 25 judges for a term of office commencing on 1 July 2022 and expiring on 30 June 2024.<sup>12</sup>

On 26 May 2023, the Secretary-General appointed Lydia N. Mugambe Ssali (Uganda) to replace Judge Elizabeth Ibanda-Nahamya, who had passed away on 5 January 2023, for a term of office expiring on 30 June 2024.<sup>13</sup>

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President of the Mechanism and 14 delegations (see [A/78/PV.19](#)). The Assembly took note of the eleventh annual report of the Mechanism (decision 78/506).

On 16 February 2024, the Secretary-General appointed René José Andriatianarivelo (Madagascar) to replace Judge Mahandrisoa Edmond Randrianirina, who had resigned with effect from 4 October 2023, for a term of office expiring on 30 June 2024.<sup>14</sup>

At present, the Mechanism is composed of the following 25 judges: Carmel A. Agius (Malta); Yusuf Aksar (Türkiye); René José Andriatianarivelo (Madagascar); Jean-Claude Antonetti (France); Florence Rita Arrey (Cameroon); Iain Bonomy (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland); Mustapha El Baaj (Morocco); Graciela Susana Gatti Santana (Uruguay); Burton Hall (Bahamas); Claudia Hoefler (Germany); Vagn Joensen (Denmark); Liu Daqun (China); Joseph E. Chiondo Masanche (United Republic of Tanzania); Margaret Anne McAuliffe deGuzman (United States of America); Lydia N. Mugambe Ssali (Uganda); Lee Gacuiga Muthoga (Kenya); Aminatta Lois Runeni N'gum (Gambia); Prisca Matimba Nyambe (Zambia); Alphonsus Martinus Maria Orie (Kingdom of the Netherlands); Seymour Pantan (Jamaica); Seon Ki Park (Republic of Korea); José Ricardo de Prada Solaesa (Spain); Ivo Nelson de Caires Batista Rosa (Portugal); Fatimata Sanou Touré (Burkina Faso) and William H. Sekule (United Republic of Tanzania).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the twelfth annual report of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals (Security Council resolution [1966 \(2010\)](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 126)**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the eleventh annual report of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals ([A/78/257](#))

Plenary meeting [A/78/PV.19](#)

Decision 78/506

<sup>12</sup> See [S/2022/511](#).

<sup>13</sup> See [S/2023/386](#).

<sup>14</sup> See [S/2024/180](#).

### 132. International cooperation on access to justice for survivors of sexual violence

The item entitled “International cooperation on access to justice for survivors of sexual violence” was included in the agenda of the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Sierra Leone ([A/76/191](#)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its seventy-sixth session (resolution [76/304](#)).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by 11 delegations (see [A/76/PV.99](#)). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of the resolution by Member States and the United Nations system to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session within existing resources and decided to continue its consideration of access to justice, remedies and assistance for victims and survivors of sexual violence at its seventy-ninth session under the item entitled “International cooperation on access to justice for survivors of sexual violence” (resolution [76/304](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [76/304](#)).

#### References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 133)

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/76/L.80</a> and <a href="#">A/76/L.80/Add.1</a>
Draft amendments	<a href="#">A/76/L.81</a> , <a href="#">A/76/L.81/Add.1</a> , <a href="#">A/76/L.82</a> , <a href="#">A/76/L.82/Add.1</a> , <a href="#">A/76/L.83</a> , <a href="#">A/76/L.83/Add.1</a> , <a href="#">A/76/L.84</a> and <a href="#">A/76/L.84/Add.1</a>
Plenary meetings	<a href="#">A/76/PV.99</a> and 101
Resolution	<a href="#">76/304</a>

### 134. Impact of rapid technological change on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and targets

The item entitled “Impact of exponential technological change on sustainable development and peace” was included in the agenda of the General Assembly at its seventy-second session, at the request of Mexico ([A/72/234](#)). At that session, the Assembly decided to continue to discuss the topic “Impact of rapid technological change on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals”, on an exceptional basis, at its upcoming session, in the fourth multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation, in order to take stock of the outcome of the third forum, and decided to remain seized of the matter, unless otherwise agreed (resolution [72/242](#)).

The Assembly has had the item entitled “Impact of rapid technological change on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals” on its agenda biennially since its seventy-third session (resolutions [73/17](#), [75/279](#), [75/316](#) and [77/320](#)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where a statement was made by one delegation (see [A/77/PV.94](#)). The Assembly decided to include the item in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session in order to discuss the progress made in the implementation of the resolution, including the presentation of the work of the Technology Facilitation Mechanism, unless otherwise agreed, and reiterated its requests to the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session an action-oriented report, within existing resources, on

the implementation of the resolution, taking into account other relevant processes and documents (resolution [77/320](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Secretary-General (resolution [77/320](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 133)**

Draft resolution	<a href="#">A/77/L.84</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/77/PV.94</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">77/320</a>

### **170. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country**

At its twenty-sixth session, the General Assembly established the Committee on Relations with the Host Country and decided to include the item entitled “Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country” in the provisional agenda of its twenty-seventh session (resolution [2819 \(XXVI\)](#)).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its twenty-seventh session (resolutions [3033 \(XXVII\)](#), [3107 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3320 \(XXIX\)](#), [3498 \(XXX\)](#), [31/101](#), [32/46](#), [33/95](#), [34/148](#), [35/165](#), [36/115](#), [37/113](#), [38/140](#), [39/87](#), [40/77](#), [41/82](#), [42/210 A and B](#), [42/229 A and B](#), [42/230](#), [42/232](#), [43/48](#), [43/49](#), [43/172](#), [44/38](#), [45/46](#), [46/60](#), [47/35](#), [48/35](#), [49/56](#), [50/49](#), [51/163](#), [52/159](#), [53/104](#), [54/104](#), [55/154](#), [56/84](#), [57/22](#), [58/78](#), [59/42](#), [60/24](#), [61/41](#), [62/72](#), [63/130](#), [64/120](#), [65/35](#), [66/108](#), [67/100](#), [68/120](#), [69/128](#), [70/121](#), [71/152](#), [72/124](#), [73/212](#), [74/195](#), [75/146](#), [76/122](#), [77/114](#) and [78/116](#)).

At present, the Committee is composed of the following 19 Member States: Bulgaria, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Côte d’Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, France, Honduras, Hungary, Iraq, Libya, Malaysia, Mali, Russian Federation, Senegal, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly allocated the item to the Sixth Committee, where statements in the debate were made by 12 delegations (see [A/C.6/78/SR.35](#)). The Assembly requested the Committee to continue its work in conformity with resolution [2819 \(XXVI\)](#) and, in that 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 (resolution [78/116](#)).

*Document for the seventy-ninth session:* Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: Supplement No. 26 ([A/79/26](#)).

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 161)**

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: Supplement No. 26 ([A/78/26](#))

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.35</a> and <a href="#">37</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/447</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Resolution	<a href="#">78/116</a>

### 171. **Observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly**

The item entitled “Observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Turkey ([A/66/141](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-sixth session (decisions 66/527, 67/525, 68/528, 69/527, 70/523, 71/524, 72/523, 73/534, 74/523, 75/529, 76/527, 77/523 and 78/519).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/519).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 162)**

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/448</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/519

### 172. **Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Union in the General Assembly**

The item entitled “Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Union in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly at the request of Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and the Russian Federation ([A/70/141](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventieth session (decisions 70/524, 71/525, 72/524, 73/535, 74/524, 75/530, 76/528, 77/524 and 78/520).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/520).

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 163)**

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/449</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/520

### 173. **Observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly**

The item entitled “Observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly at the request of El Salvador ([A/70/142](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventieth session (decisions 70/525, 71/526, 72/525, 73/536, 74/525, 75/531, 76/529, 77/525 and 78/521).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/521).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 164)**

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/450</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/521

**174. Observer status for the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands Secretariat in the General Assembly**

The item entitled “Observer status for the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands Secretariat in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly at the request of Uruguay ([A/72/194](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-second session (decisions 72/526, 73/537, 74/526, 75/532, 76/530, 77/526 and 78/522).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/522).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 165)**

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/451</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/522

**175. Observer status for the Global Environment Facility in the General Assembly**

The item entitled “Observer status for the Global Environment Facility in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly at the request of Uruguay ([A/72/195](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-second session (decisions 72/527, 73/538, 74/527, 75/533, 76/531, 77/527 and 78/523).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/523).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 166)**

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/452</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/523

**176. Observer status for the International Organization of Employers in the General Assembly**

The item entitled “Observer status for the International Organization of Employers in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of France, Germany and Turkey ([A/74/291](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-fourth session (decisions 74/528, 75/534, 76/532, 77/528 and 78/524).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/524).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 167)**

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/453</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/524

**177. Observer status for the International Trade Union Confederation in the General Assembly**

The item entitled “Observer status for the International Trade Union Confederation in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of France, Germany and Turkey ([A/74/292](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-fourth session (decisions 74/529, 75/535, 76/533, 77/529 and 78/525).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/525).

No advance documentation is expected.

**References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 168)**

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/454</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/525

## 178. Observer status for the Boao Forum for Asia in the General Assembly

The item entitled “Observer status for the Boao Forum for Asia in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly at the request of China, Cambodia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kyrgyzstan, the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Singapore, Uzbekistan and Viet Nam ([A/74/293](#)). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-fourth session (decisions 74/530, 75/536, 76/534, 77/530 and 78/526).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/526).

No advance documentation is expected.

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 169)

Summary record	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/455</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/526

## 179. Observer status for the International Parliamentarians’ Congress in the General Assembly

The item entitled “Observer status for the International Parliamentarians’ Congress in the General Assembly” was included in the agenda of the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly at the request of Pakistan ([A/78/141](#)).

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly decided to defer a decision on the item to its seventy-ninth session (decision 78/527).

No advance documentation is expected.

### References for the seventy-eighth session (agenda item 170)

Summary records	<a href="#">A/C.6/78/SR.14</a> and <a href="#">36</a>
Report of the Sixth Committee	<a href="#">A/78/456</a>
Plenary meeting	<a href="#">A/78/PV.45</a>
Decision	78/527