

Structure of the United Nations

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly is composed of all Member States of the United Nations.

SESSIONS

- *Resumed seventy-first session*: 2 February–11 September
- *Seventy-second session*: 12 September–24 December (suspended)

OFFICERS

Resumed seventy-first session

- *President*: Peter Thomson (Fiji)¹
- *Vice-Presidents*²: Armenia, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, El Salvador, France, Germany, Mauritania, Nepal, Nigeria, Russian Federation, Solomon Islands, Turkmenistan, United Kingdom, United States, Zambia

Seventy-second session

- *President*: Miroslav Lajčák (Slovakia)¹
- *Vice-Presidents*²: Afghanistan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Chile, China, Finland, France, Gabon, Ghana, Guatemala, Indonesia, Israel, Liberia, Madagascar, Morocco, Russian Federation, Sri Lanka, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States, Vanuatu, Zimbabwe

The Assembly has four types of committees: (1) Main Committees; (2) procedural committees; (3) standing committees; (4) subsidiary and ad hoc bodies. In addition, it convenes conferences to deal with specific subjects.

MAIN COMMITTEES

By resolution 47/233, the General Assembly rationalized its Committee structure as follows:

- Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee);
- Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee);
- Economic and Financial Committee (Second Committee);
- Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (Third Committee);
- Administrative and Budgetary Committee (Fifth Committee);
- Legal Committee (Sixth Committee).

The General Assembly may constitute other committees, on which all Members of the United Nations have the right to be represented.

OFFICERS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEES

Resumed seventy-first session

Fourth Committee³

- *Chairperson*: Vladimir Drobnyak (Croatia)
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Juan Antonio Benard Estrada (Guatemala), Hossein Maleki (Islamic Republic of Iran), Wouter Poels (Belgium)
- *Rapporteur*: Awale Ali Kullane (Somalia)

Fifth Committee³

- *Chairperson*: Inga Rhonda King (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)⁴
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Marcio Burity (Angola), Stefan Pretterhofer (Austria), Marina Nikodijevic (Serbia)

¹ Elected on 31 May 2017 (General Assembly dec. 71/419).

² Elected on 31 May 2017 (General Assembly dec. 71/420).

³ One of the Main Committees that met during the resumed session.

⁴ Elected on 1 June 2017 (General Assembly dec. 71/421).

- *Rapporteur*: Diana Lee (Singapore)

*Seventy-second session*⁵

First Committee

- *Chairperson*: Mohammed Hussein Bahr Aluloom (Iraq)⁵
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Alfredo Toro Carnevali (Venezuela), Terje Raadik (Estonia), Mr. Georg Sparber (Liechtenstein)
- *Rapporteur*: Martin Ngundze (South Africa)

Fourth Committee

- *Chairperson*: Rafael Darió Ramírez Carreño (Venezuela)
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Yasser Halfouni (Morocco), Ceren Hande Özgür (Turkey), Ahmed Abdelrahman Ahmed Almahmoud (United Arab Emirates)
- *Rapporteur*: Angel Angelov (Bulgaria)

Second Committee

- *Chairperson*: Sven Jürgenson (Estonia)
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Menelaos Menelaou (Cyprus), Kimberly Louis (Saint Lucia), Cristiana Mele (Italy)
- *Rapporteur*: Theresah Chipulu Luswili Chanda (Zambia)

Third Committee

- *Chairperson*: Einar Gunnarsson (Iceland)
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Nebil Idris (Eritrea), Alanoud Qassim M. A. Al-Temimi (Qatar), Dóra Kaszás (Hungary)
- *Rapporteur*: Edgar Andrés Molina Linares (Guatemala)

Fifth Committee

- *Chairperson*: Tommo Monthe (Cameroon)
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Abbas Yazdani (Iran), Julie O'Brien (Ireland), Anda Grinberga (Latvia)
- *Rapporteur*: Felipe Garcia Landa (Mexico)

Sixth Committee

- *Chairperson*: Burhan Gafoor (Singapore)
- *Vice-Chairpersons*: Duncan Laki Muhumuza (Uganda), Angel Horna (Peru), Carrie McDougall (Australia)
- *Rapporteur*: Peter Nagy (Slovakia)

PROCEDURAL COMMITTEES

General Committee

The General Committee consists of the President of the General Assembly, as Chairperson, the 21 Vice-Presidents and the Chairpersons of the six Main Committees.

Credentials Committee

The Credentials Committee consists of nine members appointed by the General Assembly on the proposal of the President.

Resumed seventy-first session

Cameroon, China, Malawi, Netherlands, Paraguay, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, United States

*Seventy-second session*⁶

Cabo Verde, China, Dominica, Indonesia, Ireland, Russian Federation, Uganda, Uruguay, United States

⁵ Mohammed Hussein Bahr Aluloom (Iraq) replaced Mouayed Saleh (Iraq) on 28 September 2017.

⁶ Appointed on 12 September 2017 (General Assembly dec. 72/401).

STANDING COMMITTEES

- The two standing committees consist of experts appointed in their individual capacity for three-year terms.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)

- *To serve until 31 December 2017:* Pavel Chernikov (Russian Federation), Fernando De Oliveira Sena (Brazil), Ali A. Ali Kurer (Libya), Dietrich Lingenthal (Germany), David Traystman (United States)
- *To serve until 31 December 2018:* Ihor Humennyi (Ukraine), Conrod Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), Mutaz Hyassat (Jordan)⁷, Babou Sene (Senegal), Tesfa Alem Seyoum (Eritrea)
- *To serve until 31 December 2019:* Takeshi Akamatsu (Japan), Marcel Jullier (Switzerland), Mahesh Kumar (India), Olivier Myard (France)⁸, Carlos Ruiz Massieu (Mexico), Ye Xuenong (China)

On 17 November 2017 (dec. 72/405 A), the General Assembly appointed the following persons for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 to fill vacancies occurring on 31 December 2017:

- Bachar Bong Abdallah (Chad), Pavel Chernikov (Russian Federation), Julia A. Maciel González (Paraguay), Cihan Terzi (Turkey), David Traystman (United States).

Committee on Contributions

- *To serve until 31 December 2017:* Zhang Wei (China)⁹, Steve Townley (United Kingdom)¹⁰, Nikolay Lozinskiy (Russian Federation), Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil), Thomas Schlesinger (Austria), Yoon Seongmee (Republic of Korea)
- *To serve until 31 December 2018:* Syed Yawar Ali (Pakistan), Jasminka Dinić (Croatia), Edward Faris (United States), Toshiro Ozawa (Japan), Tõnis Saar (Estonia), Josiel Motumisi Tawana (South Africa)
- *To serve until 31 December 2019:* Cheikh Tidiane Dème (Senegal), Gordon Eckersley (Australia), Bernardo Greiver Del Hoyo (Uruguay), Baudelaire Ndong Ella (Gabon), Ugo Sessi (Italy), Alejandro Torres Lépori (Argentina)

On 17 November 2017 (dec. 72/406 A), the General Assembly appointed the following persons for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 to fill the vacancies occurring on 31 December 2017: Michael Holtz (Germany), Evgeny Kalugin (Russian Federation), Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil), Steve Townley (United Kingdom), Yoon Seongmee (Republic of Korea), Zhang Wei (China).

SUBSIDIARY AND AD HOC BODIES

The following is a list of subsidiary and ad hoc bodies functioning in 2017, including the number of members, dates of meetings/sessions in 2017, document numbers of reports (which generally provide specific information on membership) and relevant decision numbers pertaining to elections.

Ad Hoc Committee on the Administration of Justice at the United Nations

- *Session:* Did not meet in 2017
- *Membership:* Open to all Member States of the United Nations or member States of the specialized agencies or of IAEA

Ad Hoc Committee on Criminal Accountability of United Nations Officials and Experts on Mission

- *Session:* Did not meet in 2017
- *Membership:* Open to all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of IAEA

Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996

- *Session:* Did not meet in 2017

⁷ Appointed on 8 March 2017 (General Assembly dec. 71/405 B) to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Eihab Omaish.

⁸ Appointed on 11 May 2017 (General Assembly dec. 71/405 B) to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Catherine Vendat.

⁹ Appointed on 11 May 2017 (General Assembly dec. 71/406 B) to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Fu Daopeng (China).

¹⁰ Appointed on 1 June 2017 (General Assembly dec. 71/406 B) to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Simon Hough (United Kingdom).

- *Membership:* Open to all Member States of the United Nations or member States of the specialized agencies or of IAEA

Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean

- *Meeting:* Four hundred and fifty-seven, New York, 10 July
- *Chairperson:* Amrith Rohan Perera (Sri Lanka)
- *Membership:* 43
- *Report:* A/72/29

Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters

- *Sessions:* Sixty-seventh, Geneva, 25–27 January; sixty-eighth, New York, 28–30 June
- *Chairperson:* Trevor Findlay (Australia)
- *Membership:* 15 (plus 1 ex-officio member)
- *Report:* A/72/185

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law

- *Session:* Fifty-second, New York, 3 October
- *Chairperson:* Martha Ama Akyaa Pobee (Ghana)
- *Membership:* 25
- *Report:* A/72/517, A/72/517/Corr.1

Board of Auditors

- *Sessions:* Seventy-first (regular), New York, 25–26 July
- *Chairperson:* Rajiv Mehrishi (India)
- *Membership:* 3

Committee on Conferences

- *Sessions:* New York, 21 June (organizational), 5–11 September (substantive)
- *Chairperson:* Lewis G. Brown (Liberia)
- *Membership:* 21
- *Report:* A/72/32
- *Decisions:* GA 71/411 B, 72/412 A

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

- *Meetings:* Throughout the year
- *Chairperson:* Fodé Seck (Senegal)
- *Membership:* 26
- *Report:* A/72/35

Committee on Information

- *Session:* Thirty-ninth, New York, 24 April–5 May
- *Chairperson:* Jan Kickert (Austria)
- *Membership:* 115
- *Report:* A/72/21

Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

- *Session:* Sixtieth, Vienna, 7–16 June
- *Chairperson:* David Kendall (Canada)
- *Membership:* 83
- *Report:* A/72/20

Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC)

- *Sessions:* Fifty-seventh, New York, 20 April (organizational), 5–30 June (substantive)
- *Chairperson:* David Stansbury (United Kingdom)
- *Membership:* 34
- *Report:* A/72/16
- *Decision:* GA 72/411 A

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

- *Meetings:* New York, 25 January, 27 April, 13 July, 6 September and 2 & 20 October
- *Chairperson:* Nicholas Emiliou (Cyprus)
- *Membership:* 19 (including the United States as host country)
- *Report:* A/72/26

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

- *Chairperson:* Martha Ama Akyaa Pobee (Ghana)
- *Membership:* 10 (plus the Secretary-General and the UNFPA Executive Director as ex-officio members)
- *Report:* A/72/255

Disarmament Commission

- *Sessions:* New York, 13 February (organizational); 3–21 April (substantive)
- *Chairperson:* Gabriela Martinic (Argentina)
- *Membership:* All UN Members
- *Report:* A/72/42

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation

- *Session:* Did not meet in 2015
- *Membership:* All Member States of the United Nations

Human Rights Council

- *Sessions:* Twenty-seventh (special), 5 December; thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth (regular), 27 February–24 March and 6–23 June, all in New York
- *President:* Joaquin Alexander Maza Martelli (El Salvador)
- *Membership:* 47
- *Reports:* A/72/53, A/72/53/Add.1
- *Decision:* GA 72/403 A & B

Independent Audit Advisory Committee

- *Sessions:* Thirty-seventh, New York, 15–17 February; thirty-eighth, Vienna, 19–21 April, thirty-ninth, New York, 24–26 July
- *Chairperson:* Maria Gracia Pulido Tan (Philippines)
- *Membership:* 5
- *Reports:* A/72/295
- *Decision:* GA 72/409

International Civil Service Commission (ICSC)

- *Sessions:* Eighty-fourth, New York, 20–31 March; eighty-fifth, 10–21 July, Vienna
- *Chairperson:* Kingston P. Rhodes (Sierra Leone)
- *Membership:* 15
- *Reports:* A/72/30, A/72/30/Corr.1
- *Decision:* GA 72/408

Advisory Committee on Post Adjustment Questions

- *Session:* Thirty-ninth, Paris, 20–27 February
- *Chairperson:* Aldo Mantovani (Italy)
- *Membership:* 6

International Law Commission

- *Session:* Sixty-ninth, Geneva, 1 May–2 June, 3 July–4 August
- *Chairperson:* Georg Nolte (Germany)
- *Membership:* 34
- *Report:* A/72/10

Investments Committee

- *Chairperson:* Madhav Dhar (India)
- *Membership:* 9 (plus ad hoc members)
- *Decision:* GA 72/410

Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

- *Session:* Fifty-first, Geneva, 10 July
- *Chairperson:* Frances Mary Lisson (Australia)
- *Membership:* Open to all member States of UNCTAD and all member States of WTO
- *Report:* ITC/AG(L)/268

Joint Inspection Unit (JIU)

- *Chairpersons:* Jeremiah Kramer (Canada)
- *Membership:* 11
- *Report:* A/72/34

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)**Executive committee of the high commissioner's programme**

- *Session:* Sixty-eighth, 2–6 October
- *Chairperson:* Rosemary McCarney (Canada)
- *Membership:* 98
- *Report:* A/72/12/Add.1
- *High Commissioner:* Filippo Grandi (Italy)

Panel of External Auditors

- *Meeting:* Fifty-eighth, Rome, 30 November–1 December
- *Membership:* Members of the UN Board of Auditors and the appointed external auditors of the specialized agencies and IAEA

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

- *Meetings:* New York, 21 and 22 February and 1 March
- *Chairperson:* Ruslan Varankov (Belarus)
- *Membership:* Open to all Member States of the United Nations
- *Report:* A/72/33

Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories

- *Chairperson:* Shahrul Ikram Yaakob (Malaysia) (Acting Chair)
- *Membership:* 3
- *Reports:* A/72/539

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

- *Session:* New York, 21 February–17 March
- *Chairperson:* Anthony Bosah (Nigeria)
- *Membership:* 151
- *Report:* A/71/19

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

- *Session:* New York, 22 February and 6 April (first part); 12, 19, 22, 23, 24 and 30 June (second part)
- *Chairperson:* Rafael Darío Ramírez Carreño (Venezuela)
- *Membership:* 29
- *Report:* A/72/23

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

- *Session:* Fiftieth, Vienna, 3–21 July
- *Chairperson:* János Martonyi (Hungary)
- *Membership:* 60
- *Report:* A/72/17

United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine

- *Membership:* 3
- *Report:* A/72/332

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

- *Session:* Did not meet in 2017
- *Membership:* Open to all Member States of the United Nations or member States of the specialized agencies or of IAEA
- *Secretary-General of UNCTAD:* Mukhisa Kituyi (Kenya)

TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD

- *Sessions:* Thirty-first (special), 5 April; sixty-fourth, sixty-fifth (executive), 6–8 February, 17 July; sixty-fourth (annual), 11–22 September, all in Geneva
- *President:* Tudor Ulianoschi (Republic of Moldova) (special, executive, executive resumed and annual)
- *Membership:* Open to all members States of UNCTAD
- *Reports:* A/72/15 (Part II-V)

Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission

- *Session:* Ninth, Geneva, 20–24 November
- *Chairperson:* Farukh Amil (Pakistan)
- *Membership:* Open to all members States of UNCTAD
- *Report:* TD/B/C.II/37

Trade and Development Commission

- *Session:* Ninth, Geneva, 27 November–1 December
- *Chairperson:* Kadra Ahmed Hassan (Djibouti)
- *Membership:* Open to all members States of UNCTAD
- *Report:* TD/B/C.I/43

Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy

- *Session:* Sixteenth, Geneva, 5–7 July
- *Chairperson:* Mona El Garf (Egypt)

- *Membership:* Open to all members States of UNCTAD
- *Report:* TD/B/C.I/CLP/47

Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget

- *Sessions:* Seventy-fifth, 4–6 September, all in Geneva
- *Chairpersons:* Taavo Lumiste (Estonia)
- *Membership:* Open to all members States of UNCTAD
- *Reports:* TD/B/WP/288

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- *Session:* New York, First (regular), 14 February; (annual), 27–28 June; second (regular), 29–30 August
- *President:* Lana Zaki Nusseibeh (United Arab Emirates)
- *Reports:* UNW/2017/1, UNW/2017/5, UNW/2017/11
- *Executive Director:* Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka (South Africa)
- *Decision:* ESC 2017/201 A

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

UN ENVIRONMENT ASSEMBLY

- *Session:* Third, Nairobi, 4–6 December
- *Membership:* 10
- *Reports:* A/72/25/Corr.1, A/73/25
- *Executive Director:* Erik Solheim (Norway)

United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

GOVERNING COUNCIL

- *Session:* Twenty-sixth, Nairobi, 8–12 April
- *President:* Michal Mlynar (Slovakia)
- *Membership:* 58
- *Reports:* A/72/8
- *Executive Director of UN-Habitat:* Joan Clos (Spain)
- *Decisions:* ESC 2017/201 B & D

United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- *Sessions:* Sixty-seventh, Geneva, 25–27 January; sixty-eighth, New York, 28–30 June
- *Chairperson:* Trevor Findlay (Australia)
- *Membership:* 15 (plus 1 ex-officio member)
- *Reports:* A/70/185
- *Director of UNIDIR:* Jarmo Sareva (Finland)

United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- *Sessions:* Fifty-eighth, Geneva, 16–17 November
- *Chairperson:* Taous Feroukhi (Algeria)
- *Membership:* 16
- *Report:* UNITAR/BT/58/6
- *Executive Director:* Nikhil Seth (India)

United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

- *Sessions:* Did not meet in 2017
- *Chairperson:* Vladimir Yossifov (Bulgaria)
- *Membership:* 33
- *Chief Executive Officer of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board:* Sergio B. Arvizu (Mexico)

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

ADVISORY COMMISSION OF UNRWA

- *Meeting:* Amman, Jordan, 22–23 May
- *Chairperson:* Manuel Bessler (Switzerland)
- *Membership:* 25 (plus 3 observers)
- *Report:* A/72/13, A/72/13/Rev.1

Working Group on the Financing of Unrwa

- *Meeting:* New York, 23 June, 5, 20 July and 3 August
- *Chairperson:* Feridun H. Sinirlioğlu (Turkey)
- *Membership:* 9
- *Report:* A/72/326
- *Commissioner-General of UNRWA:* Pierre Krähenbühl (Switzerland)

United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation

- *Session:* Sixty-fourth, Vienna, 29 May–2 June
- *Chairperson:* Hans Vanmarcke (Belgium)
- *Membership:* 27
- *Report:* A/72/46

United Nations Staff Pension Committee

- *Membership:* 8

United Nations University (UNU)

COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY

- *Session:* Sixty-seventh, New York, 19–20 June; sixty-eighth, Tokyo, 4–5 December
- *Chairperson:* Radha Kumar (India)
- *Membership:* 12, the UNU Rector (plus 3 ex-officio members (UN Secretary-General, UNESCO Director-General, UNITAR Executive Director))
- *Rector of the University:* David M. Malone (Canada)
- *Report:* E/2017/51

United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- *Session:* Thirtieth, Geneva, 23–27 January
- *Chairperson:* Anne Nuorgam (Finland)
- *Membership:* 5
- *Report:* A/73/137

United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- *Sessions:* Forty-fifth and forty-sixth, Geneva, 24–28 April and 30 October–3 November
- *Chairperson:* Gaby Oré Aguilar (Peru)
- *Membership:* 5
- *Reports:* A/72/278

United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- *Session:* Twenty-second, Geneva, 27 November–1 December
- *Chairperson:* Nevena Vučković-Šahović (Serbia)
- *Membership:* 5
- *Reports:* A/73/264

SECURITY COUNCIL

The Security Council consists of 15 Member States of the United Nations (five permanent members and ten non-permanent members), in accordance with the provisions of Article 23 of the United Nations Charter as amended in 1965.

MEMBERS

- *Permanent members:* China, France, Russian Federation, United Kingdom, United States
- *Non-permanent members:* Bolivia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Senegal, Sweden, Ukraine, Uruguay

On 2 June 2017 (dec. 71/422), the General Assembly elected the Netherlands as a non-permanent member of the Security Council for the remainder of the term of office of Italy beginning on 1 January 2018.

PRESIDENT

The presidency of the Council rotates monthly, according to the English alphabetical listing of its Member States. The following served as President during 2017:

Month	Member	Representative
January	Sweden	Olof Skoog
February	Ukraine	Volodymyr Yelchenko
March	United Kingdom	Matthew Rycroft
April	United States	Nikki Haley
May	Uruguay	Elbio Rosselli
June	Bolivia	Sacha Sergio Llorenty Solíz
July	China	Liu Jieyi
August	Egypt	Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta
September	Ethiopia	Tekeda Alemu
October	France	François Delattre
November	Italy	Sebastiano Cardi
December	Japan	Koro Bessho

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

The Military Staff Committee consists of the chiefs of staff of the permanent members of the Security Council or their representatives. It meets fortnightly.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Each of the three standing committees of the Security Council is composed of representatives of all Council members:

- Committee of Experts (to examine the provisional rules of procedure of the Council and any other matters entrusted to it by the Council);
- Committee on the Admission of New Members;
- Committee on Council Meetings Away from Headquarters.

SUBSIDIARY BODIES

Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC)

- *Chairperson:* Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta (Egypt)
- *Membership:* 15

United Nations Compensation Commission

GOVERNING COUNCIL

- *Sessions:* Eighty-second, Geneva, 24 April
- *President:* Mark Matthews (United Kingdom) (on behalf of the Governing Council)
- *Membership:* 15
- *Reports:* S/2017/360

1540 Committee

- *Chairperson:* Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain)

International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY)

- *President:* Sacha Sergio Llorenty Solíz (Bolivia)
- *Under-Secretary-General, Prosecutor:* Serge Brammertz (Belgium)
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Registrar:* John Hocking (Australia)

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR)

- *President:* Vagn Joensen (Denmark)
- *Under-Secretary-General, Prosecutor:* Hassan Bubacar Jallow (Gambia)
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Registrar:* Bongani Majola (South Africa)

ADVISORY SUBSIDIARY BODY

Peacebuilding Commission (PBC)¹¹

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

- *Session:* Eleventh, New York, (1 January–31 December)
- *Chairperson:* Cho Tae-yul (Republic of Korea)
- *Membership:* 31
- *Report:* A/72/721
- *Decisions:* GA 71/415, 72/414 B; ESC 2017/201 A, B & D

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO)

- *Head of Mission, Chief of Staff:* Major General Arthur David Gawn (New Zealand) (until October); Major General Kristin Lund (Norway)

United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP)

- *Chief Military Observer:* Major General Per Lodin (Sweden)

United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* Elizabeth Spehar (Canada)
- *Force Commander:* Major General Mohammad Humayun Kabir (Bangladesh)

United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF)

- *Head of Mission and Force Commander:* Major General Jai Shanker Menon (India) (until September), Major General Francis Vib-Sanziri (Ghana)

United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL)

- *Force Commander:* Major General Michael Beary (Ireland)

United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* Kim Bolduc (Canada) (until November), Colin Stewart (Canada)
- *Force Commander:* Major General Muhammad Tayyab Azam (Pakistan) (until November), Major General Wang Xiaojun (China)

United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* Zahir Tanin (Afghanistan)
- *OSCE Head of Mission in Kosovo:* Jan Braathu (Norway)
- *Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* Christopher Coleman (United States)

United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* Maman S. Sidikou (Niger)
- *Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* David Gressly (United States)
- *Force Commander:* Lieutenant General Derrick Mbuyiselo Mgwebi (South Africa)

United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* Farid Zarif (Afghanistan)
- *Deputy Special Representative for Peace Consolidation, Resident Coordinator and Representative:* Yagoub El Hillo (Sudan)
- *Deputy Special Representative for Rule of Law:* Waldemar Vrey (South Africa)
- *Force Commander:* Major General Salihu Zaway Uba (Nigeria)

United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI)¹²

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* Aïchatou Mindaoudou Souleymane (Niger)
- *Deputy Special Representative:* M'Baye Babacar Cissé (Senegal)
- *Force Commander:* Major General Didier L'Hôte (France)

United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH)¹³

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* Sandra Honoré (Trinidad and Tobago) (until October), Susan D. Page (United States)
- *Deputy Special Representative for Rule of Law:* Susan D. Page (United States)
- *Deputy Special Representative and the Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator:* Mourad Wahba (Egypt)
- *Force Commander:* Lieutenant-General Ajax Porto Pinheiro (Brazil) (until October)

¹² Mandate ended in 30 June 2017

¹³ Mandate ended in 15 October 2017; replaced by United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti (MINUJUSTH) (Security Council rsn. 2350 (2017))

¹¹ Also an advisory subsidiary body of the General Assembly.

United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* David Shearer (New Zealand)
- *Deputy Special Representative (Political):* Moustapha Soumaré (Mali)
- *Deputy Special Representative and Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator:* Eugene Owusu (Ghana) (until July), Alain Noudéhou (Benin)
- *Force Commander:* Lieutenant General Johnson Mogo Kimani Ondieki (Kenya) (until March), Lieutenant General Frank Mushyo Kamanzi (Rwanda)

African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID)

- *AU-UN Joint Special Representative for Darfur and Head of Mission:* Jeremiah Nyamane Kingsley Mamabolo (South Africa)
- *Deputy Joint Special Representative for Operations and Management:* Bintou Keita (Guinea)
- *Force Commander:* Lieutenant General Frank Mushyo Kamanzi (Rwanda) (until July), Lieutenant General Leonard Muriuki Ngondi (Kenya)
- *Police Commissioner:* Priscilla Makotose (Zimbabwe)

United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA)

- *Head of Mission and Force Commander:* Major General Tesfay Gidey Hailemichael (Ethiopia)

United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of MINUSMA:* Mahamat Saleh Annadif (Chad)
- *Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* Koen Davidse (Netherlands)

United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of MINUSCA:* Parfait Onanga-Anyanga (Gabon)
- *Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* Diane Corner (United Kingdom) (until June), Kenneth Gluck (United States)
- *Force Commander:* Lieutenant General Balla Keita

POLITICAL, PEACEBUILDING AND OTHER MISSIONS**United Nations Integrated Peace-building Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNIOGBIS)**

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNIOGBIS:* Modibo Touré (Mali)

United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Somalia and Head of UNSOM:* Michael Keating (United Kingdom)
- *Deputy Special Representative, Resident, Humanitarian Coordinator for Somalia:* Peter de Clercq (Netherlands)

Office of the United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process (UNSCO)

- *Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General to the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Palestinian Authority:* Nickolay Mladenov (Bulgaria)
- *Deputy Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process:* Robert Piper (Australia)

Office of the United Nations Special Coordinator of the Secretary-General for Lebanon (UNSCOL)

- *Special Coordinator of the Secretary-General for Lebanon:* Sigrid Kaag (Netherlands) (until October), Pernille Dahler Kardel (Denmark) (Acting)
- *Deputy Special Coordinator, Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for Lebanon:* Philippe Lazzarini (Switzerland)

United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel (UNOWAS)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* Mohammed Ibn Chambas (Ghana)
- *Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* Hiroute Guebre Sellassie (Ethiopia) (until August), Ruby Sandhu-Rojon

United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* Tadamichi Yamamoto (Japan)
- *Deputy Special Representative (Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator):* Toby Lanzer (United Kingdom)
- *Deputy Special Representative (Political) for Afghanistan:* Pernille Dahler Kardel (Denmark)

United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Iraq and Head of Mission:* Ján Kubiš (Slovakia)
- *Deputy Special Representative for Political Affairs:* György Busztin (Hungary) (until October), Alice Walpole (United Kingdom)
- *Deputy Special Representative for Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator:* Lise Grande (United States)

United Nations Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia (UNRCCA)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of UNRCCA:* Petko Draganov (Bulgaria) (September), Natalia Gherman (Republic of Moldova)

United Nations Regional Office for Central Africa (UNOCA)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General:* François Louncény Fall (Guinea)

United Nations Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL)

- *Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of Mission:* Martin Kobler (Germany) (until June), Ghassan Salamé (Lebanon)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Economic and Social Council consists of 54 Member States of the United Nations, elected by the General Assembly, each for a three-year term, in accordance with the provisions of Article 61 of the United Nations Charter as amended in 1965 and 1973.

MEMBERS

- *To serve until 31 December 2017:* Argentina, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Estonia, Cuba, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Honduras, India, Ireland, Japan, Mauritania, Pakistan, Portugal, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Zimbabwe.
- *To serve until 31 December 2018:* Afghanistan, Algeria, Australia, Belgium, Chile, Czechia, Guyana, Iraq, Italy, Lebanon, Nigeria, Peru, Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Somalia, South Africa, United States, Viet Nam.

- *To serve until 31 December 2019:* Andorra, Azerbaijan, Benin, Cameroon, Chad, China, Colombia, Denmark, Norway, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Swaziland, Tajikistan, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Venezuela.

On 15 June 2017 (dec. 71/412 B), the General Assembly elected the following for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 to fill the vacancies occurring on 31 December 2017: Belarus, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Germany, Ghana, India, Ireland, Japan, Malawi, Mexico, Morocco, Philippines, Spain, Sudan, Togo, Turkey, Uruguay. By the same decision, the Assembly elected Canada, Denmark and Romania for the remaining term of office of Australia, Sweden and Bosnia and Herzegovina, beginning on 1 January 2018.

SESSIONS

- *Organizational session*: New York, 27 July
- *Substantive session*: New York, 28 February–2 March, 19–21 April, 8–10 May, 7–8 June and 6–7, 25–26 July
- *Special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, WTO and UNCTAD*: New York, 22–25 May

OFFICERS

- *President*: Frederick Musiwa Makamure Shava (Zimbabwe)¹⁴
- *Vice-Presidents*¹⁴: Marie Chatardová (Czechia), Cristián Barros Melet (Chile), Nabeel Munir (Pakistan)¹⁵, Juergen Schulz (Germany)¹⁶

SUBSIDIARY AND OTHER RELATED ORGANS**SUBSIDIARY ORGANS**

- The Economic and Social Council may, at each session, set up committees or working groups, of the whole or of limited membership, and refer to them any item on the agenda for study and report.
- Other subsidiary organs reporting to the Council consist of functional commissions, regional commissions, standing committees, expert and ad hoc bodies.
- The inter-agency United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination also reports to the Council.

FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS**Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice**

- *Sessions*: Twenty-sixth, Vienna, 22–26 May and 7–8 December
- *Chairperson*: Mitsuru Kitano (Japan)
- *Membership*: 40
- *Report*: E/2017/30 & Add.1
- *Decision*: ESC 2017/201 B

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

- *Session*: Sixtieth, Vienna, 13–17 March and 7–8 December
- *Chairperson*: Bente Angell-Hansen (Norway)
- *Membership*: 53
- *Reports*: E/2017/28 & Add.1
- *Decision*: ESC 2017/201 B

Commission on Population and Development

- *Session*: Fiftieth, New York, 3–7 April
- *Chairperson*: Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani (Qatar)
- *Membership*: 47
- *Report*: E/2017/25
- *Decisions*: ESC 2017/201 A & B

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

- *Session*: Twentieth, Geneva, 8–12 May
- *Chairperson*: Ruijun Wang (China)
- *Membership*: 43
- *Report*: E/2017/31
- *Decision*: ESC 2017/201 A & B

Commission for Social Development

- *Session*: Fifty-fifth, New York, 1–10 February
- *Chairperson*: Ion Jinga (Romania)
- *Membership*: 46
- *Report*: E/2017/26
- *Decisions*: ESC 2017/201 B

Commission on the Status of Women

- *Session*: Sixty-first, New York, 13–24 March
- *Chairperson*: Antonio de Aguiar Patriota (Brazil)
- *Membership*: 45
- *Report*: E/2017/27
- *Decisions*: ESC 2017/201 B

Statistical Commission

- *Session*: Forty-eighth, New York, 7–10 March
- *Chairperson*: Wasmália Bivar (Brazil)

- *Membership*: 24
- *Report*: E/2017/24
- *Decisions*: ESC 2017/201 B

United Nations Forum on Forests

- *Session*: New York, Special, 20 January; twelfth, 26 April 2016 and 1–5 May 2017
- *Chairperson*: Peter Besseau (Canada)
- *Membership*: Open to all Member States of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies
- *Reports*: E/2017/10, E/2017/42

REGIONAL COMMISSION**Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)**

- *Session*: The fiftieth session of the Commission/Tenth Joint Annual Meetings of the AU and ECA Conference of Ministers, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 23–28 March
- *Membership*: 54

Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

- *Session*: Sixty-seventh, Geneva, 26–27 April
- *Chairperson*: Janis Karklins (Latvia)
- *Membership*: 56
- *Report*: E/2017/37

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

- *Session*: Did not meet in 2017
- *Membership*: 45

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)

- *Session*: Seventy-third, Bangkok, Thailand, 15–19 May
- *Chairperson*: Enele Sosene Sopoaga (Tuvalu)
- *Membership*: 53
- *Report*: E/2017/39

Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

- *Session*: Did not meet in 2017
- *Membership*: 18

STANDING COMMITTEES**Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

- *Sessions*: New York, 30 January–8 and 24 February (regular); 22–31 May and 12 June (resumed)
- *Chairperson*: Jorge Dotta (Uruguay)
- *Membership*: 19
- *Reports*: E/2017/32 (Part I & II)

Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC)

- *Sessions*: Fifty-seventh, New York, 20 April (organizational), 5–30 June (substantive)
- *Chairperson*: David Stansbury (United Kingdom)
- *Membership*: 34
- *Report*: A/72/16
- *Decisions*: ESC 2017/201 C & D

EXPERT BODIES**Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters**

- *Session*: Fourteenth and fifteenth (also E/2018/45), Geneva, 3–6 April and 17–20 October (also E/2018/45)
- *Chairperson*: Armando Lara Yaffar (Mexico)
- *Membership*: 25
- *Report*: E/2017/45, E/2018/45

Committee for Development Policy

- *Session*: Nineteenth, New York, 20–24 March
- *Chairperson*: José Antonio Ocampo (Colombia)
- *Membership*: 24
- *Report*: E/2017/33

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

- *Sessions*: Sixtieth, sixty-first and sixty-second, Geneva, 20–22 February, 29 May–23 June, 18 September–6 October

¹⁴ Elected on 28 July 2016 (ESC dec. 2017/200 A).

¹⁵ Elected on 30 September 2016 (ESC dec. 2017/200 B).

¹⁶ Elected on 26 January 2017 (ESC dec. 2017/200 C).

- *Chairpersons:* Virginia Bras Gomes (India)
- *Membership:* 18
- *Report:* E/2017/22

Committee of Experts on Public Administration

- *Session:* Fifteenth, New York, 24–28 April
- *Chairperson:* José Castelazo (Mexico)
- *Membership:* 24
- *Report:* E/2017/44
- *Decision:* ESC 2017/201 A & D

Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

- *Session:* Did not meet in 2017
- *Membership:* 66

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

- *Session:* Thirty-fourth, Geneva, 1–3 November
- *Chairperson:* David Obwaya Gichana (Kenya)
- *Membership:* 34
- *Report:* TD/B/C.II/ISAR/83
- *Decisions:* ESC 2017/201 B

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

- *Session:* Sixteenth, New York, 24 April–5 May
- *Chairperson:* Mariam Wallet Mohamed Aboubakrine (Mali)
- *Membership:* 16
- *Report:* E/2017/43

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names

- *Sessions:* Thirtieth, New York, 7–18 August
- *Chairperson:* William Watt (Australia)
- *Membership:* Representatives of the 24 geographical/linguistic divisions of the Group of Experts
- *Reports:* E/2017/80

AD HOC BODY

United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB)

- *Sessions:* First, Vienna, 26–27 April; second, New York, 8–9 November
- *Chairperson:* Secretary-General António Guterres
- *Membership:* 31
- *Reports:* CEB/2017/1, CEB/2017/2

OTHER RELATED BODIES

Joint United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (UNAIDS)

PROGRAMME COORDINATING BOARD

- *Meetings:* Fortieth and forty-first, Geneva, 27–29 June and 12–14 December
- *Chairperson:* Kwaku Agyeman-Manu (Ghana)
- *Membership:* 22
- *Reports:* UNAIDS/PCB (40)/17.1, UNAIDS/PCB (41)/17.16
- *Decision:* ESC 2017/201 A & C
- *Executive Director of UNAIDS:* Michel Sidibé (Mali)

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- *Sessions:* First and second (regular), 7–8 February and 12–15 September; (annual), 13–15 June, all in New York
- *President:* Walton Alfonso Webson (Antigua and Barbuda)
- *Membership:* 36

- *Report:* E/2017/34/Rev.1
- *Decision:* ESC 2017/201 B
- *Executive Director of UNICEF:* Anthony Lake (United States)

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)/United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)/United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- *Sessions:* First and second regular, 30 January–3 February and 5–11 September; annual, 30 May–9 June; all in New York
- *President:* Ib Petersen (Denmark)
- *Membership:* 36
- *Report:* E/2017/35
- *Decision:* ESC 2017/201 B
- *Administrator of UNDP:* Helen Clark (New Zealand) (until April), Achim Steiner (Germany)
- *Acting Associate Administrator:* Mourad Wahba (Egypt)
- *Executive Director of UNFPA:* Babatunde Osotimehin (Nigeria) (until September), Natalia Kanem (Panama)
- *Executive Director of UNOPS:* Grete Faremo (Norway)

United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)

The UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS Executive Board acts as the Executive Board of the Fund.

- *Managing Director:* Helen Clark (New Zealand) (until April), Achim Steiner (Germany)
- *Report:* DP/2016/21

United Nations Volunteers (UNV)

- *Report:* DP/2016/15

United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- *Session:* Fifty-fourth, Geneva, 28 April
- *Chairperson:* Maureen O'Neil (Canada) (until June), Joakim Palme (Sweden)
- *Membership:* 11
- *Report:* Board/17/3
- *Director of UNRISD:* Paul Ladd (United Kingdom)

United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- *Membership:* 7 (plus 4 ex-officio members)
- *Director of UNICRI:* Cindy Smith (United States)

United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC)

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

- *Chairperson:* Maria Luiza Ribeiro Viotti (Brazil)
- *Membership:* 8 (plus 3 ex-officio members)
- *Director:* Jafar Javan (United States)

World Food Programme (WFP)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- *Sessions:* First and second (regular), 20–23 February and 13–16 November; (annual), 12–15 June; all in Rome
- *President:* Anil Wadhwa (India) (first), Yousef Jhail (Kuwait) (second & annual)
- *Membership:* 36
- *Reports:* E/2018/36
- *Decisions:* ESC 2017/201 A, B & D
- *Executive Director of WFP:* Ertharin Cousin (United States) (March), David Beasley (United States)

TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

The Trusteeship Council suspended operation on 1 November 1994, following the independence, on 1 October 1994 of Palau, the last remaining United Nations trust territory. The General Assembly, in resolution 60/1 of 16 September 2005,

considering that the Council no longer met and had no remaining functions, decided that Chapter XIII of the United Nations Charter and references to the Council in Chapter XII should be deleted.

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

JUDGES OF THE COURT

The International Court of Justice consists of 15 Judges elected for nine-year terms by the General Assembly and the Security Council.

<i>Judge</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>End of term</i>
Ronny Abraham, <i>President</i>	France	2018
Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf, <i>Vice-President</i>	Somalia	2018
Hisashi Owada	Japan	2018
Peter Tomka	Slovakia	2021
Mohamed Bennouna	Morocco	2024
Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade	Brazil	2018
Christopher Greenwood	United Kingdom	2018
Xue Hanqin	China	2021
Joan E. Donoghue	United States	2024
Giorgio Gaja	Italy	2021
Julia Sebutinde	Uganda	2021
Dalveer Bhandari	India	2021
Patrick Lipton Robinson	Jamaica	2024
James Richard Crawford	Australia	2024
Kirill Geyorgian	Russian Federation	2024

- *Registrar*: Philippe Couvreur (Belgium)
- *Deputy Registrar*: Jean Pelé Fomété (Cameroon)

Chamber of Summary Procedure

- *Members*: Ronny Abraham, Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf, Xue Hanqin, Joan E. Donoghue, Giorgio Gaja
- *Substitute members*: Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade, Kirill Geyorgian

Parties to the Court's Statute

All Members of the United Nations are ipso facto parties to the Statute of the International Court of Justice.

States accepting the compulsory jurisdiction of the Court

Declarations made by the following States, several with reservations, accepting the Court's compulsory jurisdiction (or made under the Statute of the Permanent Court of International Justice and deemed to be an acceptance of the jurisdiction of the International Court), were in force at the end of 2017: Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Botswana, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Senegal, Slovakia, Somalia, Spain, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Timor-Leste, Togo, Uganda, United Kingdom and Uruguay.

United Nations organs and specialized and related agencies authorized to request advisory opinions from the Court

- *Authorized by the United Nations Charter to request opinions on any legal question*: General Assembly, Security Council
- *Authorized by the General Assembly in accordance with the Charter to request opinions on legal questions arising within the scope of their activities*: Economic and Social Council, Trusteeship Council, Interim Committee of the General Assembly, FAO, IAEA, ICAO, IDA, IFAD, IFC, ILO, IMO, IMF, ITU, UNESCO, UNIDO, WORLD BANK, WHO, WIPO, WMO.

Committees of the Court

BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

- *Members*: Ronny Abraham (Chairperson), Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf, Peter Tomka, Christopher Greenwood, Xue Hanqin, Julia Sebutinde, Dalveer Bhandari

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

- *Members*: Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade (Chairperson), Giorgio Gaja, Dalveer Bhandari, Kirill Geyorgian

RULES COMMITTEE

- *Members*: Hisashi Owada (Chairperson), Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade, Joan E. Donoghue, Giorgio Gaja, Patrick Lipton Robinson, James Richard Crawford, Kirill Geyorgian

OTHER UNITED NATIONS-RELATED BODIES

The following bodies are not subsidiary to any principal organ of the United Nations, but were established by an international treaty instrument or arrangement sponsored by the United Nations and are thus related to the Organization and its work. These bodies, often referred to as "Treaty organs", are serviced by the United Nations Secretariat and may be financed in part or wholly from the Organization's regular budget, as authorized by the General Assembly, to which most of them report annually.

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)

- *Sessions*: Sixty-sixth, 13 February–3 March; sixty-seventh, 3–21 July; sixty-eighth, 23 October–17 November, all in Geneva
- *Chairperson*: Yoko Hayashi (Japan) (until January), Dalia Leinarte (Lithuania)
- *Membership*: 23
- *Reports*: A/72/38, A/73/38

Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)

- *Sessions*: Ninety-second, 24 April–12 May; ninety-third, 31 July–25 August; ninety-fourth, 20 November–8 December, all in Geneva
- *Chairperson*: Anastasia Crickley (Ireland)
- *Membership*: 18
- *Report*: A/72/18, A/73/18

Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

- *Sessions*: Twenty-sixth, 3–13 April; twenty-seventh, 4–13 September; all in Geneva
- *Chairperson*: José Serrano Brillantes (Philippines)
- *Membership*: 14
- *Reports*: A/72/48, A/73/48

Committee on the Rights of the Child

- *Sessions*: Seventy-fourth, seventy-fifth and seventy-sixth, Geneva, 16 January–3 February, 15 May–2 June, 11–29 September
- *Chairperson*: Benyam Dawit Mezmur (Ethiopia) (seventy-fourth), Renate Winter (Austria)
- *Membership*: 18
- *Reports*: A/73/41

Committee against Torture

- *Sessions*: Sixtieth, 18 April–12 May; sixty-first, 24 July–11 August; sixty-second, 6 November–6 December all in Geneva
- *Chairperson*: Jens Modvig (Denmark)
- *Membership*: 10
- *Reports*: A/72/44, A/73/44

Conference on Disarmament

- *Meetings*: Geneva, 23 January–31 March, 15 May–30 June, 31 July–15 September
- *President*: Romania, the Russian Federation, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain

- *Membership:* 65
- *Report:* A/72/27

Human Rights Committee

- *Sessions:* 119th, 6–29 March; 120th, 3–28 July; 121st, 16 October–10 November, all in Geneva
- *Chairperson:* Yuji Iwasawa (Japan)
- *Membership:* 18
- *Reports:* A/72/40, A/73/40

International Narcotics Control Board (INCB)

- *Sessions:* 118th, 30 January–3 February; 119th, 15–26 May; 120th, 31 October–17 November; all in Vienna
- *President:* Viroj Sumyai (Thailand)
- *Membership:* 13
- *Reports:* E/INCB/2017/1
- *Decisions:* ESC 2017/201 A

PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT Secretariat

- *Secretary-General:* António Manuel de Oliveira Guterres
- *Deputy Secretary-General:* Amina J. Mohammed

Executive Office of the Secretary-General

- *Under-Secretary-General, Chef de Cabinet:* Maria Luiza Ribeiro Viotti
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Chef de Cabinet:* Patrick Carey

Office of Internal Oversight Services

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Heidi Mendoza

Office of Legal Affairs

- *Under-Secretary-General, Legal Counsel:* Miguel de Serpa Soares
- *Assistant Secretary-General:* D. Stephen Mathias

Department of Political Affairs

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Jeffrey D. Feltman
- *Assistant Secretary-General:* Miroslav Jenča

Office for Disarmament Affairs

- *Under-Secretary-General, High Representative:* Kim Won-soo (until March), Izumi Nakamitsu

Department of Peacekeeping Operations

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Hervé Ladsous (until February), Jean-Pierre Lacroix
- *Assistant Secretaries-General:* El Ghassim Wane (until September), Bintou Keita
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Military Adviser:* Lieutenant General Carlos Humberto Loitey

Department of Field Support

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Atul Khare
- *Assistant Secretary-General:* Lisa M. Buttenheim

Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

- *Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, Emergency Relief Coordinator:* Stephen O'Brien (until August), Mark Lowcock
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator:* Ursula Mueller

Department of Economic and Social Affairs

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Wu Hongbo (until June), Liu Zhenmin
- *Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development:* Lenni Montiel
- *Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs:* Thomas Gass

Department for General Assembly and Conference Management

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Catherine Pollard
- *Assistant Secretary-General:* Movses Abelian

Department of Global Communications

- *Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information:* Cristina Gallach (until November), Alison Smale

Department of Safety and Security

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Peter Thomas Drennan

Department of Management

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Yukio Takasu (until May), Jan Beagle

OFFICE OF PROGRAMME PLANNING, BUDGET AND ACCOUNTS

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Controller:* Bettina Tucci Bartsiotas

OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

- *Assistant Secretary-General:* Carole Wainaina

OFFICE OF CENTRAL SUPPORT SERVICES

- *Assistant Secretary-General:* Stephen Cutts

OFFICE OF INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

- *Assistant Secretary-General:* Atefeh Riazi

Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Ombudsman:* Johnston Barkat

Peacebuilding Support Office

- *Assistant Secretary-General:* Oscar Fernandez-Taranco

United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Chief Executive Officer:* Sergio B. Arvizú

Economic Commission for Africa

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Secretary:* Carlos Lopes (until July), Vera Songwe

Economic Commission for Europe

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Secretary:* Christian Friis Bach (until May), Olga Algayerova

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Secretary:* Alicia Bárcena

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Secretary:* Shamshad Akhtar

Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Secretary:* Rima Khalaf (until March), Mohamed Ali Alhakim

United Nations Office at Geneva

- *Under-Secretary-General, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva:* Michael Møller

United Nations Office at Vienna

- *Under-Secretary-General, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Vienna and Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime:* Yury Fedotov

United Nations Office at Nairobi

- *Under-Secretary-General and Director-General of the United Nations Office at Nairobi:* Sahlé-Work Zeude

International Court of Justice Registry

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Registrar:* Philippe Couvreur

SECRETARIATS OF SUBSIDIARY ORGANS, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES AND OTHER RELATED BODIES

Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Jean-Paul Laborde (until July), Michèle Coninx

International Civil Service Commission

- *Under-Secretary-General, Chairperson:* Kingston Papie Rhodes
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Vice-Chairperson:* Aldo Mantovani

International Trade Centre

- *Executive Director:* Arancha González

Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Michel Sidibé

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director, Programme:* Luiz Loures
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director, Management and Governance:* Jan Beagle
- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Asia and the Pacific:* Prasada Rao
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in the Caribbean:* John Edward Greene

Office of the Administration of Justice

- *Executive Director:* Linda Taylor (until September), Alayne Frankson-Wallace

Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States

- *Under-Secretary-General, High Representative:* Gyan Chandra Acharya (until March), Fekitamoeloa Katoa 'Utoikamanu

Office of the Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Malaria

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Special Envoy:* Ray Chambers

Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Africa

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser:* Maged Abdelfatah Abdelaziz

Office of the Special Adviser of the Secretary-General for Myanmar

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser:* Vijay Nambiar

Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for West Africa

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative:* Mohammed Ibn Chambas

Office of the Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser:* Adama Dieng

Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative:* Leila Zerrougui (until March), Virginia Gamba

Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Violence against Children

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Special Representative:* Marta Santos Pais

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

- *Under-Secretary-General, High Commissioner:* Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein
- *Deputy High Commissioner:* Kate Gilmore
- *Assistant Secretary-General (New York Office):* Andrew Gilmour

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

- *Under-Secretary-General, High Commissioner:* Filippo Grandi
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy High Commissioner:* Kelly T. Clements
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant High Commissioner (Protection):* Volker Türk
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant High Commissioner (Operations):* George Okoth-Obbo

Office of the United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General to the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Palestinian Authority:* Nickolay Mladenov
- *Deputy Special Coordination:* Robert Piper

Personal Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Greece-FYROM Talks

- *Under-Secretary-General, Personal Envoy:* Matthew Nimetz

Personal Envoy of the Secretary-General for Western Sahara

- *Under-Secretary-General, Personal Envoy:* Christopher Ross (until July), Horst Köhler

Personal Representative of the Secretary-General on the Border Controversy between Guyana and Venezuela

- *Under-Secretary-General:* Vacant, Dag Halvor Nylander (from February)

Special Advisers to the Secretary-General

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Advisers:* Iqbal Riza

Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Cyprus

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser:* Espen Barth Eide

Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Innovative Financing for Development

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser:* Philippe Douste-Blazy

Special the Secretary-General and Mediator in the border dispute between Equatorial Guinea and Gabon

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser:* Nicolas Michel

Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the implementation of Security Council resolution 1559(2004)

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Envoy:* Jeffrey Feltman

Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Food Security and Nutrition

- *Special Representative:* David Nabarro

Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative:* Zainab Hawa Bangura (until March), Pramila Patten

Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Migration

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative:* Peter Sutherland (until February), Louise Arbour

Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sudan and South Sudan

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Envoy:* Nicholas Haysom

Special Court for Sierra Leone

- *Under-Secretary-General, Prosecutor:* Brenda Hollis
- *Assistant Secretary General, Registrar:* Binta Mansaray

Special Tribunal for Lebanon

- *Under-Secretary-General, Prosecutor:* Norman Farrell
- *Assistant Secretary General, Registrar:* Daryl A. Mundis

United Nations Alliance of Civilizations

- *Under-Secretary-General, High Representative:* Nassir Abdulaziz al-Nasser

United Nations Children's Fund

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Anthony Lake
- *Assistant Secretaries-General, Deputy Executive Directors, Field Results:* Shanelle Hall
- *Assistant Secretaries-General, Deputy Executive Directors, Programmes:* Geeta Rao Gupta (until June), Omar Abdi
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director, Management:* Fatoumata Ndiaye (until April), Hannan Sulieman

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

- *Under-Secretary-General, Secretary-General of UNCTAD:* Mukhisa Kituyi
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy-Secretary-General:* Isabelle Durant

United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity

- *Assistant Secretary General, Executive Secretary:* Cristiana Paşca Palmer

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

- *Assistant Secretary General, Executive Secretary:* Monique Barbut

United Nations Development Programme

- *Under-Secretary-General, Administrator:* Achim Steiner
- *Under-Secretary-General, Associate Administrator:* Tegegnework Gettu
- *Assistant Administrator and Director, Bureau External Relations and Advocacy:* Michael O'Neill
- *Assistant Administrator and Director, Bureau of Management:* Susan McDade
- *Assistant Administrator and Director, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support:* Magdy Martinez-Soliman
- *Assistant Administrator and Director of Regional Bureau for Africa:* Abdoulaye Mar Dieye
- *Assistant Administrator and Director of Regional Bureau for Arab States:* Mourad Wahba
- *Assistant Administrator and Director of Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific:* Haoliang Xu
- *Assistant Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States:* Ayse Cihan Sultanoğlu
- *Assistant Administrator and Director of Regional Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean:* Jessica Faieta

United Nations Environment Programme

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Erik Solheim
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director:* Ibrahim Thiaw
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Secretary United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change:* Patricia Espinosa Cantellano

United Nations Global Compact

- *Executive Director:* Lise Kingo

United Nations Human Settlements Programme

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Joan Clos
- *Assistant Secretary General, Deputy Executive Director:* Aisa Kirabo Kacyira

United Nations Institute for Training and Research

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Nikhil Seth

United Nations International School

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Special Representative:* Michael Adlerstein (until September), Joan W. McDonald

United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Special Representative:* Robert Glasser

United Nations Office for Project Services

- *Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Grete Faremo

United Nations Office for Partnerships

- *Executive Director:* Ann de la Roche

United Nations Office of the Special Envoy to Haiti

- *Special Envoy:* William J. Clinton, Josette Sheeran (from June)

United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace¹⁷

- *Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser:* Wilfried Lemke

United Nations Population Fund

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Babatunde Osotimehin (until September), Natalia Kanem
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director (Management):* Laura Londén
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director (Programme):* Natalia Kanem

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

- *Under-Secretary-General, Commissioner-General:* Pierre Krähenbühl
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Commissioner-General:* Sandra Mitchell

United Nations University

- *Under-Secretary-General, Rector:* David M. Malone

World Food Programme

- *Under-Secretary-General, Executive Director:* Ertharin Cousin (until April), David Beasley
- *Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director:* Amir Mahmoud Abdulla

¹⁷ On May 2017 the UN Secretary-General closes UNOSDP.