

Economic and Social Council

Commission	for	Social	Develo	pment
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Forty-second session

Other meetings

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Monday, 9 February 2004

Panel discussion and dialogue

Group of 77 (on Economic and Social Council matters)

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

Group of 77 (Third Committee: draft agreed conclusions; NEPAD resolution; youth resolution; and Copenhagen+10)

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

African Group: Group of Experts on Third Committee

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Group of Least Developed Countries (on Economic and Social Council matters)

Side events on the occasion of the forty-second session of the Commission for Social Development

On the occasion of the forty-second session of the Commission for Social Development (4-13 February 2004), side events, sponsored by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held on Monday, 9 February 2004, as follows:

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4: Panel discussion on "International Year of Micro-Credit" (organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development and the United Nations Capital Development Fund)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C: Panel discussion on "Older Persons Caught in Armed Conflicts" (organized by the Global Action on Aging, the Division for Social Policy and Development and HelpAge International)

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 9 February 2004

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11 a.m	H.E. Mr. Heraldo Muñoz (Chile), Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities
12 noon	Press briefing by the Spokesman
12.30 p.m	Background briefing by a senior United Nations official on the work of the Electoral Assistance Division of the Department of Political Affairs [UN TV will not air this briefing. Delegations are invited to view the briefing in Studio 4.]

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

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

The first meeting of the 2004 session 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 will be convened on Wednesday, 11 February 2004, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:

- 1. Opening of the session by the Secretary-General
- 2. Election of officers
- 3. Organization of work (A/AC.109/2004/L.1, A/AC.109/2004/L.2 and A/AC.109/2004/L.2/Corr.1)
- 4. Other matters

Commission on the Status of Women

Forty-eighth session

The forty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from 1 to 12 March 2004 at Headquarters. The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session will be issued in document E/CN.6/2004/1. Background information in English can be obtained on the following Web site: www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/48sess.htm.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Vivian Pliner-Josephs, of the composition of their delegations (room S-2950A; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Pursuant to its decision 46/101, the Commission will hold a high-level round table at its forty-eighth session, which will focus on "Gaps and challenges in measuring progress in the context of the review and appraisal and implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly at the Commission on the Status of Women at its forty-ninth session in 2005". The round on, which r12)c

Inter-Parliamentary Union briefing on the human rights of parliamentarians

There will be a briefing, organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union's Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians, on Tuesday, 10 February 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Presentations will be made by two members of parliament on the topic "Political and legal aspects of investigating the human rights violations suffered by elected representatives around the world". Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Alessandro Motter, IPU Permanent Observer Office (tel. 1 (212) 557-5880; e-mail ny-office@mail.ipu.org).

Latin American and Caribbean Group (on the twelfth session of the Commission

Thursday, 12 February 2004

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4: Panel discussion on "Children in Migrant Families" (organized by the NGO Committee on the Family and the NGO Committee on Children's Rights)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C: Panel discussion on "Improving Public Effectiveness in Care for the Ageing: The Value of Investing in Cross-National Research on Ageing Services" (organized by the International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing (IAHSA) and the International Federation on Ageing)

Friday, 13 February 2004

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C: Panel discussion on "International Migration and Migrants: Critical Issues in Social Development and Human Well-being" (organized by the International Immigrant Foundation)

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Wednesday, 4 February 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Friday, 6 February 2004

Security Council

4910th meeting

Expression of sympathy and condolences to the Government and the people of the Russian Federation in connection with the terrorist attack in Moscow on 6 February 2004

The President made a statement on behalf of the Security Council.

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (S/2004/71)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Albania, Ireland and Serbia and Montenegro, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Harri Holkeri, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Holkeri.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Benin, the United Kingdom, Chile, the Russian Federation, Spain, the United States, Germany, Algeria, Angola, Brazil, France, the Philippines and Romania, and by the President, in his capacity as the representative of China.

Statements were made by the representatives of Serbia and Montenegro, Ireland (speaking on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey; and the EFTA countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, which aligned themselves with the statement) and Albania.

Mr. Holkeri responded to comments and questions raised.

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Organizational session for 2004

4th meeting

Ad Hoc Advisory Groups on Africa countries emerging from conflict: Guinea-Bissau and Burundi

H.E. Mr. Dumisani Shadrack Kumalo (South Africa), Chairman of the Advisory Groups on African Countries emerging from conflict (Guinea-Bissau and Burundi), reported on the work of the Advisory Groups.

The representative of Ireland made a statement.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [2]

Action on draft decision E/2004/L.3

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network. Bangkok, 18 November 2003

Opening for signature

In accordance with its article 5 (1), the above Agreement shall be open for signature by States which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) at Shanghai, China, from 26 to 28 April 2004, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 1 May 2004 to 31 December 2005. The signature ceremony in Shanghai will be held during the sixtieth session of ESCAP on Monday, 26 April 2004, at the Shanghai International Convention Center.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russian texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives not ad5.9(t[(are)-ers ich pur ine op6-7fiesci)uwisha(are)-.00jtiv51 n.

Web sites

General Assembly	Documents
	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/3 (Part II)/Add.1	Item 12 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Report of the Economic and Social Council for 2003 [A C E F R S]

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Documents

Resumed organizational session for 2004

E/2004/L.3

Item 2 — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters — Draft decision submitted by the President of the Economic and Social Council — Status of non-

E/CN.6/2004/NGO/27

Item 3 (c) (i) of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century": implementation of strategic objectives and action in the critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives: the role of men and boys in achieving gender equality — Statement submitted by Women's National Commission, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S]

Communications to the Editor

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