



ANNOUNCEMENT

OLA/UNITAR SEMINAR ON DEPOSIT OF TREATY ACTIONS WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND THE REGISTRATION OF TREATIES

Organized jointly with the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs
Wednesday, 9 and Thursday, 10 November 2005
United Nations Headquarters, New York

The appreciation of international law and the multilateral treaty framework is an integral part of the management of international relations today. Member States in the 2005 World Summit outcome document recognized the “need for universal adherence to and implementation of the rule of law at both the national and international levels” and called attention to the importance of States becoming parties to and implementing conventions deposited with the Secretary-General in areas such as terrorism, arms control, environmental law and human rights law. Against this background, countries face new challenges in participating in multilateral treaties, particularly in the area of signature, ratification, accession and domestic implementation of treaty rights and obligations.

The United Nations Secretariat is committed to giving effect to the objectives advanced by the Member States in the 2005 World Summit outcome document, the Secretary-General in his Millennium Report and those endorsed in the Millennium Declaration, in particular by providing training and capacity-building assistance to facilitate more effective participation by countries in multilateral treaties and in the registration of bilateral treaties with the Secretariat pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter.

The principal objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of and practical hands-on experience in the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed primarily to meet the needs of legal advisers and legal officers involved with the preparation of treaty actions to multilateral treaties and the registration of treaties. Practitioners who are interested in these aspects of treaty law are also welcome. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar will be conducted in **English**. It will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on **Wednesday, 9 and Thursday, 10 November 2005 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9**.

Delegates who wish to attend the above-mentioned seminar are requested to return the attached nomination form, signed by the Head of the Permanent Mission, **by Tuesday 1 November**.

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