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OLA/UNITAR Seminar on International Treaty Law and Practice

United Nations Headquarters, New York
Conference Room D (CB)

16-17 April 2013

With a special session on the recently adopted Arms Trade Treaty

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Tuesday 16 April 2013

- 10:00 am Registration
- 10:20 am **Opening Remarks**
Ms. Yvonne Lodico, Head, UNITAR New York Office
- 10:30am **Introductory Remarks from the Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs**
Mr. Stephen Mathias, Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs
- 10:40 am **Introduction to the Law of Treaties and the Work of the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs**
Ms. Gabriele Goettsche-Wanli, Chief, OLA Treaty Section
- 11:10 am Coffee Break
- 11:30 pm **Participation in Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the UN Secretary-General**
Ms. Dina Hamdy, Legal Officer, OLA Treaty Section
- 12:30 pm Lunch Break



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- 3:00 pm **Registration of Treaties under Article 102 of the UN Charter and Practice Exercise on Registration**
Mr. Carlos Ivan Fuentes, Associate Legal Officer, OLA Treaty Section
- ▶ Explain the mandate of Article 102 of the UN Charter and enumerate the registration procedures for Member States.
- 4:00 pm **End of Day 1**

Wednesday 17 April 2013

- 10:00 am **Final Clauses of Multilateral Treaties**
Ms. Arancha Hinojal-Oyarbide, Legal Officer, Treaty Section
- ▶ Explain final clauses and their legal effects, including reservations and declarations.
- 11:15 am Coffee Break
- 11:30 am **Panel Discussion on the recently adopted Arms Trade Treaty: The process, final clauses, and issues of implementation**
Ms. Yvonne Lodico, Head of UNITAR New York Office, Moderator
Ms. Martiza Chan, Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the UN, The process leading up to adoption
Mr. Nikolas Johannes Stuerchler Gozenbach, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the UN, Final clauses
Ms. Emily Street, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of Australia to the UN, Final clauses (tbc)
Mr. Daniel Prins, Chief, Conventional Arms Branch, UNODA, Implementation and Moving Forward
- 01:00 pm **Lunch Break**
- 03:00 pm **Overview of online resources – UN Treaty Collection website at <http://treaties.un.org>**
Mr. Eugene Gheorghe, Information Systems Officer, OLA Treaty Section
Mr. Andrei Kolomoets, Information Management Officer, OLA Treaty Section
- ▶ Be able to locate and navigate treaty-related information online.
- 04:30 pm **Evaluation & Presentation of Certificates**
Ms. Gabriele Goettsche-Wanli, Chief, OLA Treaty Section
Ms. Yvonne Lodico, Head, UNITAR New York Office
- 05:00 pm **End of Day 2**