



Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice: The Work of the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs

Friday, 1 December 2017

United Nations Headquarters, New York
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AGENDA

- 10:00 am **Opening Remarks**
Mr. Stephen Mathias, Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs
- 10:15 am **The Work of the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs**
Mr. Santiago Villalpando, Chief, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs
- ▶ *General presentation of the depositary, registration and publication functions discharged by the Treaty Section*
- 10:30 am **The Role of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Treaties**
Ms. Arancha Hinojal, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs
- ▶ *Examination of the role of the Secretary-General as Depositary*
- 11:15 am **Depositary Practice of the Secretary-General**
Ms. Dina Hamdy, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs
- ▶ *Examination of depositary practice from the adoption of treaty to its entry into force, including participation clauses, opening for signature, consent to be bound*
- 12:00 pm **The GA Regulations on the Registration of Treaties under Article 102 of the UN Charter: Secretary-General's review of the regulations**
Mr. Carlos Fuentes, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs
- ▶ *A Review of the process of registration and publication, in light of the Regulations to Give Effect to Article 102 of the Charter, adopted by the General Assembly (see GA Resolution 70/118, para. 8(b))*
- 12:45 pm Lunch break

3:00 pm **Presentation on the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW)**
Mr. Christopher King, Senior Political Officer, WMD Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs

3:45 pm **Case Study on Reservations**
Mr. Santiago Villalpando, Chief, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs

4:30 pm **Introduction to the Website of the Treaty Section (<https://treaties.un.org>)**

Mr. Andrei Kolomoets, Legal Information Management Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs

▶ *Presentation of the website of the Treaty Section*

5:00 pm **Evaluations; Presentation of Certificates**