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CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS FOR 1997

Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat is circulating herewith a list of meetings of intergovernmental and expert bodies in the economic, social and related fields to be held in 1997.

MEETINGS OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AND ITS  
SUBSIDIARY BODIES SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN 1997

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Title</u>
6-10 January	New York	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women - Pre-sessional Working Group <sup>1</sup>
6-17 January	New York	Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for the Elaboration of an International Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, <sup>1</sup> tenth session
6-24 January	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child, <sup>1</sup> fourteenth session
13-17 January	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, first regular session
13-31 January	New York	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, <sup>1</sup> sixteenth session
16 January and 12 February	New York	Committee for the United Nations Population Award <sup>1</sup>
20-24 January	New York	UNICEF - Executive Board, first regular session
20-24 January	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development, <sup>1</sup> first session
20-31 January	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on a draft optional protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflicts
21-23 January	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, first regular session
22-24 January	New York	Committee for Development Planning - Working Group III
23 January	New York	Economic and Social Council - Election of Bureau
27-31 January	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child - Pre-sessional Working Group <sup>1</sup>

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3-7 February	Bangkok	Fourteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific
3-14 February	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on the question of a draft optional protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography
4-7 February	New York	Economic and Social Council, organizational session
11-14 February	New York	Statistical Commission, twenty-ninth session
11-21 February	New York	Commission on Sustainable Development - Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Panel on Forests, fourth session
14-16 February	Geneva	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget, <sup>1</sup> twenty-ninth session, first part
17-21 February	Baku	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Subcommittee on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East
17-21 February	Santo Domingo	INSTRAW - Board of Trustees, seventeenth session
18 February	New York	Sixth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child
19-21 February	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Trade in Goods and Services and Commodities, <sup>1</sup> resumed first session
24-25 February	New York	Committee for Development Planning - Working Group I
24-28 February	New York	Commission on Population and Development, thirtieth session
24-28 February	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Open-ended working group on the question of a draft declaration on the right and responsibility of individuals, groups and organs of society to promote and protect universally recognized human rights and fundamental freedoms

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24 February- 7 March	New York	Commission on Sustainable Development - Inter-sessional ad hoc open-ended working group
25 February- 6 March	New York	Commission for Social Development, thirty- fifth session
3-7 March	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - open-ended working group to elaborate policy guidelines on the effects of structural adjustment programmes on the full enjoyment of human rights
3-7 March	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Situations
3-21 March	Geneva	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, <sup>1</sup> fiftieth session
10-14 March	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, second regular session
10-21 March	New York	Commission on the Status of Women, forty- first session
10 March- 18 April	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights, fifty-third session
17-21 March	New York	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications <sup>1</sup>
17-21 March	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, <sup>1</sup> fourth session
18-19 March	New York	UNICEF - Executive Board, second regular session
18-27 March	Vienna	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, fortieth session
24-26 March	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, second regular session
24 March- 11 April	New York	Human Rights Committee, <sup>1</sup> fifty-ninth session
March (2-3 days)	Geneva	UNITAR - Board of Trustees, <sup>1</sup> thirty-fifth session, first part

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7-25 April	New York	Commission on Sustainable Development, fifth session
14-16 April	Geneva	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-ninth session, second part
21-25 April	Geneva	ECE, fifty-second session
21-25 April	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations
21 April-2 May	New York	Thirteenth Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance
23-30 April	Bangkok	ESCAP, fifty-third session
28 April	New York	Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session
28-30 April	Addis Ababa	ECA - twenty-third meeting of the Conference of Ministers, thirty-second session of the Commission
28 April-7 May	Nairobi	Commission on Human Settlements, <sup>1</sup> sixteenth session
28 April-9 May	Vienna	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, sixth session
28 April-9 May	Geneva	Committee against Torture, <sup>1</sup> eighteenth session
28 April-16 May	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, sixteenth session
1-2 May	New York	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session
5-9 May	New York	High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, <sup>1</sup> tenth session
5-16 May	New York	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
6-16 May	Vienna	International Narcotics Control Board, sixty-second session

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7-9 May	New York	Committee for Development Planning, thirty-first session
12-16 May	Geneva	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, third session
12-16 May	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention
12-16 May	New York	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fifty-first session
12-23 May	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, annual session
20-23 May	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights - Pre-sessional Working Group
20 May-6 June	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child, <sup>1</sup> fifteenth session
26-30 May	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Minorities
27-29 May	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, annual session
May (8 days)	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, <sup>1</sup> sixteenth session
2-6 June	New York	UNICEF - Executive Board, annual session
2-6 June	New York	Sixth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas
2-11 June	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery
9-13 June	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child <sup>1</sup> - Pre-sessional Working Group
9 June-3 July	New York	Committee for Programme and Coordination, thirty-seventh session

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25-27 June	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights
30 June-25 July	Geneva	Economic and Social Council, substantive session
Second quarter (1 week)	Addis Ababa	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, African Region
7-11 July	Geneva	Human Rights Committee <sup>1</sup> - Working Group on Communications
7-18 July	Geneva	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, thirteenth session
14 July-1 August	Geneva	Human Rights Committee, <sup>1</sup> sixtieth session
21 July-1 August	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Communications
28 July-1 August	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Indigenous Populations
4-22 August	Geneva	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, <sup>1</sup> fifty-first session
4-29 August	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, forty-ninth session
18-22 August	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fifty-second session
8 and 19 September	Tehran	United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, nineteenth session
9-12 September	New York	UNICEF - Executive Board, third regular session

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9-18 September	Tehran	Seventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names
15-19 September	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, third regular session
15-19 September	Geneva	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget, <sup>1</sup> thirtieth session
15-19 September	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention
22 September- 10 October	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child, <sup>1</sup> sixteenth session
29 September- 3 October	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues, <sup>1</sup> second session
29 September- 10 October	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Group of Experts to elaborate a strategy for the implementation and promotion of the right to development
September (2-3 days)	Geneva	UNITAR - Board of Trustees, <sup>1</sup> thirty-fifth session, second part
Third quarter (1 week)	Santiago	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin America and the Caribbean Region
Third quarter (1 week)	Bangkok	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and the Pacific Region
13-17 October	Geneva	Human Rights Committee <sup>1</sup> - Working Group on Communications
13-17 October	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child <sup>1</sup> - Pre-sessional Working Group
13-24 October	Geneva	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board, <sup>1</sup> forty-fourth session
20 October- 7 November	Geneva	Human Rights Committee, <sup>1</sup> sixty-first session



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28-30 October	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, third regular session
3-20 November	Vienna	International Narcotics Control Board, sixty-third session
10-21 November	Geneva	Committee against Torture, <sup>1</sup> nineteenth session
12-21 November	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fifty-third session
17-21 November	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Trade in Goods and Services and Commodities, <sup>1</sup> second session
17 November- 5 December	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, seventeenth session
26 November	Geneva	Sixth meeting of States Parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment <sup>1</sup>
26 November- 5 December	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention
November (4 days)	Geneva	Statistical Commission - Working Group on International Statistical Programmes and Coordination, nineteenth session
November (1 day)	New York	United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities
1-5 December	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development, <sup>1</sup> second session
8-12 December	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights - Pre-sessional Working Group
8-19 December	Geneva	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, fourteenth session
15-19 December	Geneva	Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
December (1 week)	Tokyo	UNU - Council, forty-fourth session

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December (2 days)	Vienna	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, resumed fortieth session
To be determined	Amman	ESCWA - nineteenth session
To be determined (2 weeks)	Geneva	Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for the Elaboration of an International Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, eleventh session
To be determined	Santiago	ECLAC - Committee of the Whole, twenty-fourth session

Notes

<sup>1</sup> Subsidiary body of the General Assembly.

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