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The Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Member States of the African Group to the United Nations and has the honour to inform them that the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs, in collaboration with the Office of the Legal Counsel of the African Union Commission and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, will organize a Regional Workshop on Treaty Law and Practice for African States, to be held at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa Headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 20 to 22 May 2025.

The regional workshop is intended for representatives from African States whose functions involve treaty law, and other stakeholders interested in deepening their knowledge of the law of treaties as part of their professional activity. The objectives are to foster knowledge of the legal and technical aspects of States' participation in the international treaty framework, promote exchange of views and best practices, and provide legal assistance on the law of treaties. The workshop will also offer an opportunity to strengthen cooperation between participants and members of the United Nations Secretariat.

The topics covered will include the depositary functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations for multilateral treaties, registration and publication of treaties under Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations, and other areas of treaty law and practice, including presentations by representatives of the African Union. The workshop will be conducted in English, and a tentative programme is attached herewith.

The Office of Legal Affairs cordially invites Governments of Members States of the African Group to nominate one official to participate in the Regional Workshop on Treaty Law and Practice for African States in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The nomination of female officials is encouraged. The nomination must be notified via email to the Treaty Section at treatysection@un.org, with the name, function, nationality and contact information of the designated official, no later than 18 April 2025.

Due to limited capacity, registrations to the workshop will be considered on a rolling basis and restricted to one participant per Member State. It is noteworthy to clarify that participants will cover their own travel and accommodation expenses, if applicable.

The Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions of Member States of the African Group to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.



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