



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

**Thursday, 24 May 2018**

United Nations Headquarters, New York  
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## **AGENDA**

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| 10:00 am | <b>Opening Remarks</b><br><i>Mr. Miguel de Serpa Soares, Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs and United Nations Legal Counsel</i>   |
| 10:15 am | <b>The Work of the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs</b><br><i>Mr. Santiago Villalpando, Chief, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ <i>General presentation of the depositary, registration and publication functions discharged by the Treaty Section</i></li></ul>   |
| 10:30 am | <b>The Role of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Treaties</b><br><i>Ms. Arancha Hinojal, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ <i>Examination of the role of the Secretary-General as Depositary</i></li></ul>  |
| 11:15 am | <b>Depositary Practice of the Secretary-General</b><br><i>Ms. Dina Hamdy, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ <i>Examination of depositary practice from the adoption of treaty to its entry into force, including participation clauses, opening for signature, consent to be bound</i></li></ul>  |
| 12:00 pm | <b>The GA Regulations on the Registration of Treaties under Article 102 of the UN Charter: Secretary-General's review of the regulations</b><br><i>Mr. Carlos Fuentes, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ <i>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))</i></li></ul> |
| 12:45 pm | Lunch break   |



- 3:00 pm      **Marking 70 years: The Genocide Convention**  
*Ms. Claudia Diaz, United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention*
- 3:45 pm      **Case Study on Reservations and the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide**  
*Mr. Santiago Villalpando, Chief, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs*
- 4:30 pm      **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**