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## UNRIC Library Newsletter – August 2009

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## New websites within the UN system

### UN in General

#### Annotated Agenda - General Assembly 64th session (A/64/100)

English, French & Spanish: <http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=A/64/100>

The Annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the sixty-fourth (64th) regular session of the General Assembly is now available (A/64/100). The annotated agenda:

- gives the history of each item proposed for inclusion on the agenda;
- lists selected documents from the previous session for each agenda item; and
- projects major documents (reports, etc.) to be submitted for discussion under the individual items.

The annexes include comprehensive (1946 to the present) listings of:

- Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly;
- Non-permanent members of the Security Council;
- Members of the Economic and Social Council; and
- States Members of the United Nations.

#### Independent Audit Advisory Committee

<http://www.un.org/iaac/index.shtml> (January 2009)

Website now available in French & Spanish.

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/ga/iaac/>

Spanish: <http://www.un.org/es/ga/iaac/>

The Independent Audit Advisory Committee of the United Nations is established as a subsidiary body of the General Assembly to serve in an expert advisory capacity and to assist the General Assembly in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities.

#### United Nations Conferences and Observances

(Reference Paper No. 48, August 2009)

English: [http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs//2009/Reference\\_Paper\\_No\\_48.doc.htm](http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs//2009/Reference_Paper_No_48.doc.htm)

French: [http://www.un.org/News/fr-press/docs/2009/Reference\\_No\\_48.doc.htm](http://www.un.org/News/fr-press/docs/2009/Reference_No_48.doc.htm)

## Peace and Security

### **International Day of Peace – 21 September 2009**

English: <http://www.un.org/en/events/peaceday/2009/>

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/events/peaceday/2009/>

Spanish: <http://www.un.org/es/events/peaceday/2009/>

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has launched a multiplatform campaign under the slogan "WMD – We Must Disarm" to mark the 100-day countdown leading up to the International Day of Peace on 21 September 2009. During the 100 days of the campaign, the United Nations will raise awareness of the dangers and costs of nuclear weapons by issuing a reason a day on why nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation are so crucial, via Twitter and the social networking sites Facebook and MySpace.

### **Las Naciones Unidas y las actividades relativas a las minas**

<http://www.un.org/es/peace/mine/index.shtml>

### **Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 5 of resolution 1859 (S/2009/385)**

English, French & Spanish: <http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/2009/385>

The report presents information on actions needed for Iraq to achieve an international standing equal to that which it held prior to August 1990.

## Economic & Social Development

### **All Children, Everywhere: A strategy for basic education and gender equality (UNICEF)**

[http://www.unicef.org/publications/files/All\\_Children\\_Everywhere\\_EN\\_072409.pdf](http://www.unicef.org/publications/files/All_Children_Everywhere_EN_072409.pdf)

"All Children, Everywhere" is the advocacy version of the United Nations Children's Fund's (UNICEF) education strategy through 2015. It provides an overview of UNICEF's work in basic education and gender equality outlines the organization's goals, guiding principles, main partners and key actions to deliver a quality education for all children.

### **Global Financial Stability Report (IMF)**

English: <http://www.imf.org/External/Pubs/FT/fmu/eng/2009/02/index.htm>

French: <http://www.imf.org/external/french/pubs/ft/fmu/2009/02/0709f.pdf>

Spanish: <http://www.imf.org/external/spanish/pubs/ft/fmu/2009/02/0709s.pdf>

Financial conditions have improved, as unprecedented policy intervention has reduced the risk of systemic collapse and expectations of economic recovery have risen. Nonetheless, vulnerabilities remain and complacency must be avoided.

### **UN Gender Equality Newsfeed (WomenWatch)**

<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/ungen/>

The UN portal on gender equality and women's empowerment, WomenWatch, launched a new online service known as the UN Gender Equality Newsfeed (UNGEN). "UNGEN newsfeed" provides a one-stop hub of RSS-based gender equality news of participating UN entities. It collects news items on gender equality from the RSS or "Really Simple Syndication" newsfeeds of UN entities and displays them on a single web page, with a view to publicizing the work of the UN on gender equality and women's empowerment. The goal is to increase use of UN gender resources and traffic to UN entities' websites on gender themes.

### **World Economic Outlook Update (IMF)**

*English:* <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/weo/2009/update/02/index.htm>

*French:* <http://www.imf.org/external/french/pubs/ft/weo/2009/update/02/pdf/0709f.pdf>

*Spanish:* <http://www.imf.org/external/spanish/pubs/ft/weo/2009/update/02/pdf/0709s.pdf>

The global economy is beginning to pull out of a recession unprecedented in the post-World War II era, but stabilization is uneven and the recovery is expected to be sluggish.

## **Human Rights**

### **Combating Trafficking in Persons in Accordance with the Principles of Islamic Law (UNODC)**

[http://www.unodc.org/documents/human-trafficking/UNODC Trafficking and Islamic Law.pdf](http://www.unodc.org/documents/human-trafficking/UNODC_Trafficking_and_Islamic_Law.pdf)

Human trafficking is a global problem, transcending not only geographical but also religious borders. Measures to combat trafficking must, therefore, transcend geographical, economic, cultural and religious boundaries. In order to reach out to all Islamic countries, the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) recently released this a ground-breaking paper. The publication successfully analyses the Islamic legal framework on trafficking in persons, especially by calling for the elimination of the institution of slavery, the prohibition of exploitation of human beings in all its forms, the rejection of oppression and hardship, and the promotion of the duty of the public to promote good and prohibit evil.

### **Transnational Trafficking and the Rule of Law in West Africa: A Threat Assessment (UNODC)**

[http://www.unodc.org/documents/data-and-analysis/Studies/West Africa Report 2009.pdf](http://www.unodc.org/documents/data-and-analysis/Studies/West_Africa_Report_2009.pdf)

A new report by the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) notes that thousands of women are continually trafficked from West Africa to Europe in a multi-million dollar criminal industry. The women come from Nigeria and to a lesser extent Sierra Leone, Ghana, Cameroon and Guinea. They are usually taken to Italy, as well as the Netherlands, Spain, Belgium and other countries. With an estimated value of between \$152 million and \$228 million annually, the market sees a yearly inflow of between 3800 and 5700 women. It is estimated that West African trafficking victims comprise about 10 per cent of the forced sexual labour pool in Western Europe.

## Humanitarian Affairs

### **Locked In: The humanitarian impact of two years of blockade on the Gaza Strip (OCHA-oPt)**

[http://www.ochaopt.org/documents/Ocha\\_opt\\_Gaza\\_impact\\_of\\_two\\_years\\_of\\_blockade\\_August\\_2009\\_english.pdf](http://www.ochaopt.org/documents/Ocha_opt_Gaza_impact_of_two_years_of_blockade_August_2009_english.pdf)

The report - issued by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in the occupied Palestinian territory (OCHA-oPt) - focuses on effects of import and export restrictions and the travel ban to and from Gaza on livelihoods, food security, education, health, shelter, energy, and water and sanitation.

### **Updated Quick Response Plan for Gaza: An Assessment of Needs Six Months After the War**

[http://www.un.org/unrwa/donors/docs/Updated\\_QRP\\_aug09.pdf](http://www.un.org/unrwa/donors/docs/Updated_QRP_aug09.pdf)

This document outlines UNRWA's updated emergency plans for Palestine refugees in Gaza during 2009. It replaces the Agency's original Quick Response Plan to Restore Critical Services to Refugees in Gaza, which covered the period January – September 2009, and reflects funding needs until the end of this calendar year.

([http://www.un.org/unrwa/donors/docs/Updated\\_QRP\\_aug09.pdf](http://www.un.org/unrwa/donors/docs/Updated_QRP_aug09.pdf))

### **UN Humanitarian Resolutions**

<http://ochaonline.un.org/AboutOCHA/HumanitarianResolutions/tabid/1173/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

This section is a compilation of resolutions (from 1998 to present) of the major UN Organs (General Assembly, Security Council, Economic and Social Council) that are specifically concerned with humanitarian issues. These resolutions are available in all official UN languages. In 2008, the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) commissioned a project to analyse the normative developments in humanitarian assistance including coordination through analysing the relevant legislation of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Security Council, since 1991. The project has produced three products: a matrix which provides a compilation of agreed language; the reference guide summarising normative developments; and an analysis on factors influencing these normative developments.

### **UNHCR Global Report 2008 and Global Appeal**

<http://www.unhcr.org/gr08/index.html#/home>

<http://www.unhcr.org/ga09/index.html>

The UN High Commissioner for Refugees' (UNHCR) Global Appeal and Global Report are invaluable guides for general readers to UNHCR's worldwide operations and provides a comprehensive view of the agency's challenges and achievements.

## New information material

Single copies of the following titles can be ordered via e-mail: [info@unric.org](mailto:info@unric.org)

Affiche: « Imaginez: Atteindre la sécurité alimentaire en temps de crise »  
16 octobre 2009 - Journée mondiale de l'alimentation. FAO.  
Online version: <http://www.fao.org/getinvolved/worldfoodday/fr/>

Affiche : Journée internationale pour la paix, 21 septembre 2009: « ADM – Nous devons désarmer ! »

Africa Renewal, Volume 23, No. 2, July 2009. 24 p.  
"Debt relief helps post-war rebuilding"  
Online version: <http://www.un.org/ecosocdev/geninfo/afrec/vol23no2/index.html>

Afrique Renouveau, Vol. 23, No. 2, juillet 2009. 24 p.  
« Dette et reconstruction »  
Online version: <http://www.un.org/french/ecosocdev/geninfo/afrec/vol23no2/index.html>

*Cartel*: Día Internacional de la Paz, 21 de septiembre de 2009: ¡ Desarmémonos !

*Poster*: International Day of Peace, 21 September 2009: "WMD – We Must Disarm".

*Poster*: United Nations 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Department of Public Information / Non-Governmental Organization Conference. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mexico City, Mexico, 9 to 11 September 2009 - "Disarm Now! for peace and development"

## NEW TITLES added to the library collection in August

### I General Information and Reference

United Nations Central Emergency Response Fund: 2008 Annual Report  
United Nations. New York. 2009. 80 p.  
Online version: [http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/lib.nsf/db900sid/SNAA-7UE8PK/\\$file/CERF%20Annual%20Report%202008.zip?openelement](http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/lib.nsf/db900sid/SNAA-7UE8PK/$file/CERF%20Annual%20Report%202008.zip?openelement)

### II.D Trade, Finance and Commerce

Étude sur les Transports Maritimes, 2008: Rapport du secrétariat de la CNUCED.  
Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2008. xv, 198 p. (UNCTAD/RMT/2008)  
Sales No. F.08.II.D.26. ISBN 978-92-1-212361-8.  
Online version: [http://www.unctad.org/fr/docs/rmt2008\\_fr.pdf](http://www.unctad.org/fr/docs/rmt2008_fr.pdf)

The Least Developed Countries Report 2009: The State and Development Governance.  
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2009. xv, 179 p. (UNCTAD/LDC/2009)  
Sales No. E.09.II.D.9. ISBN 978-92-1-112769-0.  
Online version: [http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/ldc2009\\_en.pdf](http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/ldc2009_en.pdf)

The Least Developed Countries Report 2009: The State and Development Governance; Overview by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2009. 30 p. (UNCTAD/LDC/2009 (Overview))

Online version: [http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/ldc2009overview\\_en.pdf](http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/ldc2009overview_en.pdf)

Los países menos adelantados informe de 2009: La gobernanza del Estado y del desarrollo; Panorama general por el Secretario General de la UNCTAD.

Naciones Unidas. Nueva York y Ginebra. 2009. 34 p. (UNCTAD/LDC/2009 (Overview))

Online version: [http://www.unctad.org/sp/docs/ldc2009overview\\_sp.pdf](http://www.unctad.org/sp/docs/ldc2009overview_sp.pdf)

UNCTAD Annual Report 2008.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. June 2009. 75 p. (UNCTAD/DOM/2009/1)

Online version: [http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/dom20073\\_en.pdf](http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/dom20073_en.pdf)

## **II.E Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)**

Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS): Third revised edition.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2009. vi, 559 p. (ST/SG/AC.10/30/Rev.3)

Sales No. E.09.II.E.10. ISBN 978-92-1-11706-1.

Système général harmonisé de classification et d'étiquetage des produits chimiques (SGH): Troisième édition révisée.

Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2009. vi, 611 p. (ST/SG/AC.10/30/Rev.3)

Sales No. F.09.II.E.10. ISBN 978-92-1-216509-7.

## **II.K Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)**

ECA and Africa: Fifty Years of Partnership (1958-2008).

United Nations Economic Commission for Africa. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. [2008]. vii, 164 p.

Sales No. E.09.II.K.2. ISBN 978-92-1-125111-1.

Economic Report on Africa 2009: Developing African Agriculture Through Regional Value Chains.

United Nations Economic Commission for Africa. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. 2009. xvi, 193 p.

Sales No. E.09.II.K.2. ISBN 978-92-1-125111-1.

Online version: <http://www.uneca.org/era2009/>

## **III.B United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**

Post-Conflict Economic Recovery: Enabling Local Ingenuity. (Crisis Prevention and Recovery Report 2008)

United Nations Development Programme. Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery.

New York. 2008. xxiii. 238 p.

ISBN 978-92-1-126217-9.

Online version: [http://www.undp.org/cpr/content/economic\\_recovery/PCER\\_rev.pdf](http://www.undp.org/cpr/content/economic_recovery/PCER_rev.pdf)

#### **IV Social Questions**

Making the MDGs Work for All: Gender-Responsive Rights-Based Approaches to the MDGs. United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM). New York. November 2008. ix, 196 p.

Online version: [http://www.unifem.org/attachments/products/Making\\_MDGs\\_work\\_for\\_all\\_complete.pdf](http://www.unifem.org/attachments/products/Making_MDGs_work_for_all_complete.pdf)

#### **V International Law**

Annuaire de la Commission du droit international, 2002. Volume II : Deuxième partie ; Rapport de la Commission à l'Assemblée générale sur les travaux de sa cinquante-quatrième session.

Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2008. iii, 112 p. (A/CN.4/SER.A/2002/Add.1 (Part 2)) Sales No. F.08.V.11. ISBN 978-92-1-233452-3.

Yearbook of the International Law Commission 2002, Volume II, Part Two: Report of the Commission to the General Assembly on the work of its fifty-fourth session.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2009. iii, 106 p. (A/CN.4/SER.A/2002/Add.1 (Part 2))

Sales No. E.08.V.11 (Part 2). ISBN 978-92-1-133783-9.

Online version: <http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/publications/yearbooks/yearbooks.htm>

#### **VIII Transport and Communications**

Recommandations relatives aux transport des marchandises dangereuses: Règlement type; Volume 1 – Seizième édition révisée.

Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2009. vi, 445 p. (ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.16 (Vol.I)) Sales No. F.09.VIII.2. ISBN 978-92-1-239122-9.

Recommandations relatives aux transport des marchandises dangereuses: Règlement type; Volume 2 – Seizième édition révisée.

Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2009. viii, 384 p. (ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.16 (Vol.II)) Sales No. F.09.VIII.2. ISBN 978-92-1-239122-9.

Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods: Model Regulations; Volume 1 – Sixteenth revised edition.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2009. vi, 430 p. (ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.16 (Vol.I)) Sales No. E.09.VIII.2. ISBN 978-92-1-139136-7.

Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods: Model Regulations; Volume 2 – Sixteenth revised edition.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2009. vii, 362 p. (ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.16 (Vol.II)) Sales No. E.09.VIII.2. ISBN 978-92-1-139136-7.

#### **IX Disarmament and Atomic Energy**

La vérification dans tous ses aspects, y compris le rôle de l'Organisation des Nations Unies. (Série d'études 32)

Nations Unies. New York. 2009. v, 45 p.

F.08.IX.5. ISBN 978-92-1-242151-3.



### **XIII Demography**

Completing the Fertility Transition. (Population Bulletin of the United Nations, Special Issue Nos. 48/49, 2002)

United Nations. New York. 2009. ix, 507 p. (ST/ESA/SER.N/48-49)

Sales No. E.02.XIII.15. ISBN 978-92-1-151370-7.

### **XIV Human Rights (including Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights - OHCHR)**

2008 Report: Activities and Results.

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Geneva. 2009. 217 p.

Online version: [http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Press/OHCHR\\_Report\\_2008.pdf](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Press/OHCHR_Report_2008.pdf)

### **XVII International Statistics**

2006 International Trade Statistics Yearbook: Volume II; Trade by Commodity / Annuaire statistique du commerce international: Volume II; Commerce par produits.

United Nations/Nations Unies. New York. 2008. xlvi, 1197, A.73 p.

(ST/ESA/STAT/SER.G/55)

Sales No. E/F.08.XVII.24 (Vol. II). ISBN 978-92-1-061246-3.

Monthly bulletin of Statistics / Bulletin mensuel de statistique: Issue No. 1056, Vol. LXIII, No. 6, June 2009 / Edition n° 1056, Vol. LXIII, n° 6, juin 2009.

United Nations/Nations Unies. New York. 2009. xii, 303 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.Q/438)

Online version: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/mbs>

Monthly bulletin of Statistics / Bulletin mensuel de statistique: Issue No. 1055, Vol. LXIII, No. 5, May 2009 / Edition n° 1055, Vol. LXIII, n° 5, mai 2009.

United Nations/Nations Unies. New York. 2009. xii, 322 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.Q/437)

Online version: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/mbs>

Monthly bulletin of Statistics / Bulletin mensuel de statistique: Issue No. 1054, Vol. LXIII, No. 4, April 2009 / Edition n° 1054, Vol. LXIII, n° 4, avril 2009.

United Nations/Nations Unies. New York. 2009. xii, 305 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.Q/436)

Online version: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/mbs>

Monthly bulletin of Statistics / Bulletin mensuel de statistique: Issue No. 1053, Vol. LXIII, No. 3, March 2009 / Edition n° 1053, Vol. LXIII, n° 3, mars 2009.

United Nations/Nations Unies. New York. 2009. xii, 304 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.Q/435)

Online version: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/mbs>

National Accounts Statistics: Main Aggregates and Detailed Tables, 2007; Part II.

United Nations. New York. 2008. xxv, 898 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.X/40, Part II)

Sales No. E.09.XVII.2. ISBN 978-92-1-161523-4.

National Accounts Main Aggregates Database: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/snaama/dnllist.asp>

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