



UN INTERNATIONAL LAW WEEK 2016 SIDE-EVENT

ASSESSMENT OF THE HIGH LEVEL REVIEW OF UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONS

28 October 2016 (Fri) 1:15pm – 2:30pm United Nations HQ, Conference Room 7

Attention: Sanctions Experts/Legal Counselors

The Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations is pleased to invite delegations participating in UN International Law Week to an Open Briefing on "Assessment of the High Level Review of United Nations Sanctions".

On 5 November 2015, Australia, Finland, Germany, Greece and Sweden, launched at the United Nations the *Compendium of the High Level Review (HLR) of United Nations Sanctions*. The report delivered a rich agenda for renewal and enhancement of the implementation of this vital tool for international peace and security. (The report is available on the <u>HLR website</u> as in <u>all six official UN languages</u> and in <u>compendium format</u>).

The Open Briefing seeks to inform delegations of the HLR one-year assessment project currently underway and how Member States can participate. The agenda will include remarks by the Governments of Australia and Sweden as well as HLR partners Compliance and Capacity Skills International. An open discussion segment will follow providing an opportunity for delegations to raise key aspects of the HLR, including its recommendations. Further details appear in the attached concept note.

The process is planned to culminate in an event in early 2017 with the release of an Assessment Report.

A light lunch will be provided