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The Permanent Missions of Sweden and Austria to the United Nations
cordially invite you to the annual

Interactive Dialogue

between the Sixth Committee and the International Law Commission

26 October 2022, 4.30 pm – 6 pm

Trusteeship Council Chamber

With the presence of the following Members of the ILC:

Professor Dire Tladi: *Peremptory norms of general international law (jus cogens)*

Ambassador Marja Lehto: *Protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts*

Professor Concepción Escobar Hernández: *Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction*

Professor Charles Chernor Jalloh: *Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law*

Moderated by **Marie Jacobsson, Ambassador, Principal Legal Advisor on International Law at the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs**

The interactive dialogue aims to provide a platform for an informal exchange and discussions between Members of the ILC and the 6th Committee, including visiting Legal Advisers from capitals. Members of the audience are encouraged to ask questions and make comments on the work of the ILC.

This year discussions will focus on the following topics:

Peremptory norms of general international law (jus cogens):

This year, the ILC adopted, on second reading, the entire set of draft conclusions on identification and legal consequences of peremptory norms of general international law (jus cogens), comprising 23 draft conclusions and an annex, together with commentaries thereto. The Commission decided to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the draft conclusions and commend them, together with the commentaries, to the attention of States and all who may be called upon to identify such norms and to apply their legal consequences.

Protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts:

The ILC adopted, on second reading, the entire set of draft principles on protection of the environment in relation to armed conflicts, comprising a draft preamble and 27 draft principles, together with commentaries thereto. The Commission decided to recommend that the General Assembly: (a) take note of the draft principles, annex them to its resolution and encourage their widest possible dissemination; and (b) commend the draft principles and the commentaries to the attention of States, international organizations and all who may be called upon to deal with the subject.

Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction:

The Commission adopted, on first reading, 18 draft articles and a draft annex on immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction, together with commentaries thereto and decided to transmit the draft articles, through the Secretary-General, to Governments for comments and observations by 1 December 2023.

Looking to the future:

Member States are also invited to discuss new topics on the programme of work of the Commission, including **Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law.**

We look forward to an interactive discussion!