# GENERAL ASSEMBLY 79th SESSION (2024) SIXTH COMMITTEE

# Statement by the Director of the Codification Division on the Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs

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Madam/Mr Chair, Distinguished Delegates,

In the interest of time, I will deliver an abbreviated statement, considering that the outlined developments relating to the *Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs* are accessible in further details in part II of the Secretary-General's report under consideration (A/79/188 of 19 July 2024). A copy of this statement, together with the accompanying chart, has been made available through estatements.

I would like to draw your attention to the following developments:

### With regard to the new studies in preparation:

- Bearing in mind the call made upon the Secretary-General to address, effectively and on a priority basis, the backlog in the preparation of volume III of the *Repertory*, the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs, acting as coordinator for the preparation of the publication, maintained regular contact with the Faculty of Law at the University of Ottawa;
- During the period under review, new studies were prepared as follows:
  - ➤ The Faculty of Law at the University of Ottawa has completed the research and drafting of studies pertaining to Supplement No. 11 (2010-2015) and Supplement No. 12 (2016-2020):
  - ➤ With regard to Supplement No. 11 (2010–2015), the Faculty of Law at the University of Ottawa has completed the research on and drafting of three studies for volume II on Articles 10, 18 and 20.
  - ➤ In relation to Supplement No. 12 (2016–2020), the Faculty of Law at the University of Ottawa completed the research and drafting of two studies for volume II on Articles 10 and 18,

two studies for volume III on Articles 24 and 25, and a study for volume VI on Article 94.

- I would first like to renew my gratitude to the Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa, for its continued and valuable support.
- In addition, the review by the author department (various divisions of the Office of Legal Affairs) of two studies for volume II on Article 13 (1) (a) (second part of the sentence) for both Supplements 11 and 12 has been completed and the studies are now being finalized by the Codification Division.
- A study for volume VI on Articles 104 and 105 for Supplement No. 11 (2010-2015) remains under review by its author department, the Office of Legal Affairs.
- As mentioned in the Secretary-General's report, no volumes were published by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management during the period under review.

# • I wish to take this opportunity to:

- (i) Draw your attention to the General Assembly's appeal for States to consider sponsoring Associate Experts to work on the Repertory, relayed to all delegations by a note verbale LA/COD/46/1 of 19 December 2023. There have been no new requests for information on the program since the previous statement.
- (ii) I would also call upon delegations to contribute to the Trust Fund for the Repertory, which is an indispensable tool for us to make progress on the publication as at 30 June 2024, the Fund's available balance was \$ 89,265. Allow me to express my gratitude to the Philippines and Cyprus for their generous contributions to the Fund, which have been made last year.
- (iii) I would finally renew my appeal to delegations to raise the interest of academic institutions in their countries or regions to participate in the preparation of studies for the *Repertory*. As I have previously underlined, geographical diversity is very important in this context.

Thank you for your attention, Madam/Mr Chair.