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Plenary meetings

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Portugal (item 1).
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation (item 2).
3. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-first session of the General Assembly (item 3):
 - (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
4. Election of the President of the General Assembly (item 4).
5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees (item 5).
6. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly (item 6).
7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations (item 7).
8. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: reports of the General Committee (item 8).
9. General debate (item 9).
10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (item 10).
11. Report of the Security Council (item 11).
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, II, III, IV, V (sections A and F), VI and VII] (item 12). 1/

1/ The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) and the Second, Third and Fifth Committees, as follows:

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| (a) Chapters I and VII | Second, Third and Fifth Committees |
| (b) Chapter II | Third Committee |
| (c) Chapters III and IV | Second and Third Committees |
| (d) Chapter V (section A) | Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) and Third Committee |

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13. Report of the International Court of Justice (item 13).
14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (item 14). 2/
15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs (item 15):
 - (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;
 - (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council;
 - (c) Election of five members of the International Court of Justice.
16. Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations (item 16).
17. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections (item 17):
 - (a) Election of the members of the International Law Commission;
 - (b) Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;
 - (c) Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.
18. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (item 18): 3/
 - (g) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;
 - (h) Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit;
 - (i) Confirmation of the appointment of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme.
19. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 19). 4/

2/ The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/51/307) would be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 71.

3/ For sub-items (a) to (f), see "Fifth Committee", item 37.

4/ The General Assembly decided to refer to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/51/23) relating to specific Territories so that the Assembly might deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.

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20. Admission of new Members to the United Nations (item 20).
21. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 21):
 - (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;
 - (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;
 - (c) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan;
 - (d) Assistance to the Palestinian people.
22. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States (item 22).
23. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee (item 23).
24. Law of the sea (item 24):
 - (a) Law of the sea;
 - (b) Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks;
 - (c) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas; unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas; and fisheries by-catch and discards and their impact on the sustainable use of the world's living marine resources.
25. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community (item 25).
26. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization (item 26).
27. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba (item 27).
28. Universal Congress on the Panama Canal (item 28).
29. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (item 29).

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30. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States (item 30).
31. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference (item 31).
32. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic (item 32).
33. The situation in the Middle East (item 33).
34. Assistance in mine clearance (item 34).
35. Question of Palestine (item 35).
36. International assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Nicaragua: aftermath of the war and natural disasters (item 36).
37. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti (item 37).
38. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (item 38).
39. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (item 39).
40. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (item 40).
41. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies (item 41).
42. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity (item 42).
43. The situation in Burundi (item 43).
44. Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (item 44).
45. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development (item 45).
46. Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields (item 46).
47. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters (item 47).
48. Strengthening of the United Nations system (item 48).

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49. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (item 49). 5/
50. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (item 50).
51. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 (item 51).
52. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security (item 52).
53. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait (item 53).
54. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations (item 54).
55. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development (item 55).
56. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (item 56).
57. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte (item 57).
58. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (item 59).
59. Observer status for the International Criminal Police Organization-Interpol in the General Assembly (item 156).
60. Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion (item 159).

5/ The General Assembly decided to consider the item directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in conjunction with the consideration of the item in plenary meeting.

First Committee

1. Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 60).
2. Reduction of military budgets (item 61):
 - (a) Reduction of military budgets;
 - (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.
3. Question of Antarctica (item 62).
4. The role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament (item 63).
5. The role of science and technology in the context of international security, disarmament and other related fields (item 64).
6. Amendment of the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and under Water (item 65).
7. Implementation of the comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (item 66).
8. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (item 67).
9. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia (item 68).
10. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (item 69).
11. Prevention of an arms race in outer space (item 70).
12. General and complete disarmament (item 71): 2/
 - (a) Notification of nuclear tests;
 - (b) Transparency in armaments;
 - (c) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;
 - (d) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament: report of the Preparatory Committee for the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament;
 - (e) Relationship between disarmament and development;
 - (f) Measures to curb the illicit transfer and use of conventional arms;

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- (g) Regional disarmament;
 - (h) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;
 - (i) Nuclear disarmament;
 - (j) Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and of vehicles for their delivery in all its aspects;
 - (k) Advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons.
13. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (item 72):
- (a) United Nations Disarmament Information Programme;
 - (b) United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services;
 - (c) Regional confidence-building measures;
 - (d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific and United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;
 - (e) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.
14. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (item 73):
- (a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;
 - (b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;
 - (c) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;
 - (d) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research;
 - (e) Confidence-building measures.
15. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East (item 74).
16. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (item 75).
17. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region (item 76).
18. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace (item 77).

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19. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (item 78).
20. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty (item 79).
21. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (item 80).
22. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security (item 81).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee)

1. Effects of atomic radiation (item 82).
2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (item 83).
3. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (item 84).
4. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories (item 85).
5. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (item 86).
6. Questions relating to information (item 87).
7. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations (item 88).
8. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination (item 89).
9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (item 90).
10. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapter V (section A)] (item 12). 6/
11. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories (item 91).
12. The situation in the occupied territories of Croatia (item 92).
13. Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations (item 93).
14. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 19). 4/
15. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (item 49). 5/

6/ Chapter V (section A) has been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Third Committee.

Second Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, III, IV, V (sections B to E and H) and VII] (item 12). 7/
2. Macroeconomic policy questions (item 94):
 - (a) External debt crisis and development;
 - (b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries;
 - (c) Trade and development;
 - (d) Commodities.
3. Sectoral policy questions (item 95):
 - (a) Industrial development cooperation;
 - (b) Food and sustainable agricultural development.
4. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (item 96):
 - (a) Implementation and follow-up to major consensus agreements on development:
 - (i) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of the Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries;
 - (ii) Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade;

7/ The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Third and Fifth Committees, as follows:

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| (a) Chapters I and VII | Plenary meetings and
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| (b) Chapters III and IV | Plenary meetings and
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(b) Agenda for development:

- (i) Agenda for development;
 - (ii) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership;
- (c) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy;
- (d) Population and development;
- (e) Human settlements;
- (f) Eradication of poverty;
- (g) Cultural development.

5. Environment and sustainable development (item 97):

- (a) Implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;
- (b) Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21;
- (c) Implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity;
- (d) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;
- (e) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind;
- (f) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction.

6. Operational activities for development (item 98). 8/, 9/, 10/
7. Training and research (item 99):
 - (a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;
 - (b) United Nations University.

8/ The General Assembly decided that the commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund would be held in plenary meeting on Wednesday, 11 December 1996, in the morning.

9/ The General Assembly decided that the report of the Secretary-General on the progress at mid-decade on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 45/217 on the World Summit for Children (A/51/256) would be introduced in plenary and referred also to the Third Committee for consideration under item 106;

10/ The General Assembly decided that the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the operations, management and budget of the United Nations Development Fund for Women would be referred also to the Second Committee for consideration under item 98.

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Third Committee

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I to IV, V (sections A and E) and VII] (item 12). 11/
2. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (item 100).
3. Crime prevention and criminal justice (item 101).
4. International drug control (item 102).
5. Advancement of women (item 103). 10/
6. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women (item 104).
7. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (item 105).
8. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (item 106). 9/
9. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (item 107).
10. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (item 108).
11. Right of peoples to self-determination (item 109).

11/ The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) and the Second and Fifth Committees, as follows:

(a) Chapters I and VII	Plenary meetings and Second and Fifth Committees
(b) Chapter II	Plenary meetings
(c) Chapters III and IV	Plenary meetings and Second Committee
(d) Chapter V (section A)	Plenary meetings and Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)
(e) Chapter V (section E)	Second and Fifth Committees

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12. Human rights questions (item 110):

- (a) Implementation of human rights instruments;
- (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;
- (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;
- (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;
- (e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

13. Question of the elaboration of an international convention against organized transnational crime (item 158).

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Fifth Committee

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (item 111):
 - (a) United Nations;
 - (b) United Nations Development Programme;
 - (c) United Nations Children's Fund;
 - (d) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
 - (e) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;
 - (f) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
 - (g) Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme;
 - (h) United Nations Population Fund;
 - (i) United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation;
 - (j) Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme;
 - (k) United Nations Office for Project Services.
2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (item 112).
3. Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 (item 113).
4. Programme planning (item 114).
5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (item 115).
6. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (item 116).
7. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency (item 117).
8. Pattern of conferences (item 118).
9. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (item 119).

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10. Human resources management (item 120): 12/
 - (a) Implementation of the Secretary-General's strategy for the management of the Organization's human resources and other human resources management issues;
 - (b) Composition of the Secretariat;
 - (c) Respect for the privileges and immunities of officials of the United Nations and the specialized agencies and related organizations.
11. United Nations common system (item 121).
12. United Nations pension system (item 122).
13. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East (item 123):
 - (a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;
 - (b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.
14. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (item 124).
15. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991) (item 125):
 - (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission;
 - (b) Other activities.
16. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (item 126).
17. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (item 127).
18. Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (item 128).
19. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters (item 129).

12/ The General Assembly decided that the item would be allocated to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that the Sixth Committee would examine, as a matter of priority, at the beginning of the fifty-first session, the legal implications of the proposals of the Secretary-General contained in his reports on the reform of the internal system of justice in the Secretariat, and that the Fifth Committee would revert to the question of the internal system of justice in the Secretariat at the fifty-first regular session.

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20. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II (item 130).
21. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique (item 131).
22. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (item 132).
23. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (item 133).
24. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (item 134).
25. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (item 135).
26. Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (item 136).
27. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (item 137).
28. Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan (item 138).
29. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (item 139).
30. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (item 140):
 - (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations;
 - (b) Relocation of Ukraine to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232.
31. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (item 141).
32. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (item 153).
33. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium (item 154).
34. Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (item 155).
35. Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti (item 157).

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36. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chapters I, V (sections E and G) and VIII] (item 12). 13/
37. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (item 18): 14/
- (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
 - (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;
 - (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;
 - (d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;
 - (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;
 - (f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission.

13/ The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Second and Third Committees, as follows:

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14/ For sub-items (g) to (i), see "Plenary meetings", item 18.

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Sixth Committee

1. Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts (item 142).
2. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (item 143).
3. Convention on the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses (item 144).
4. United Nations Decade of International Law (item 145).
5. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session (item 146).
6. Establishment of an international criminal court (item 147).
7. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its twenty-ninth session (item 148).
8. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (item 149).
9. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (item 150).
10. Measures to eliminate international terrorism (item 151).
11. Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order (item 152).
12. Human resources management (item 120). 12/
