

## Introduction

The United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law was established by General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX) of 20 December 1965 to contribute to a better knowledge of international law “as a means for strengthening international peace and security and promoting friendly relations and co-operation among States”. It is one of the cornerstones of the efforts of the United Nations to promote international law.

The Programme of Assistance provides direct assistance in the field of international law by means of:

- The [International Law Fellowship Programme](#);
- The [Regional Courses in International Law](#) for Africa, Asia-Pacific and Latin-America and the Caribbean;
- The [Audiovisual Library of International Law](#), which was launched in October 2008;
- The preparation and dissemination of [publications and other information relating to international law](#).

<http://legal.un.org/poa/ilfp.html>

## Definition of Key Terms

Dissemination

noun

the act of disseminating, or spreading widely:

The Internet allows for the rapid dissemination of information.

The International Law Fellowship Programme

is organized by the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs. It is designed to enable qualified persons, in particular, government legal officers and teachers of international law from developing countries, and countries with emerging economies to deepen their knowledge of international law. Candidates from other countries and employees at international or regional organizations can apply for participation on a self-funded basis only.

Regional Courses in International Law

designed to enable qualified persons, in particular, government lawyers and teachers of international law from developing countries to deepen their knowledge of international law. A limited number of fellowships are awarded to candidates and candidates may also apply for self-funded positions.

The Audiovisual Library is a unique, multimedia resource which provides the United Nations with the unprecedented capacity to provide high quality international law training and research materials to an unlimited number of recipients on a global level.

<https://www.dictionary.com/browse/dissemination>

<https://legal.un.org/poa/avl.html>

## **Background Information**

The United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law was established by the General Assembly at its twentieth session, in 1965 (resolution [2099 \(XX\)](#)), to contribute towards a better knowledge of international law as a means of strengthening international peace and security and of promoting friendly relations and cooperation among States. The Assembly authorized the continuation of the Programme annually until its twenty-sixth session, biennially until its sixty-fourth session and annually thereafter ([resolutions 2204 \(XXI\)](#), [2313 \(XXII\)](#), [2464 \(XXIII\)](#), [2550 \(XXIV\)](#), [2698 \(XXV\)](#), [2838 \(XXVI\)](#), [3106 \(XXVIII\)](#), [3502 \(XXX\)](#), [32/146](#), [34/144](#), [36/108](#), [38/129](#), [40/66](#), [42/148](#), [44/28](#), [46/50](#), [48/29](#), [50/43](#), [52/152](#), [54/102](#), [56/77](#), [58/73](#), [60/19](#), [62/62](#), [64/113](#), [65/25](#), [66/97](#), [67/91](#) and [68/110](#)).

At its [sixty-eighth session](#), the General Assembly approved the guidelines and recommendations contained in section III of the report of the Secretary-General on the Programme of Assistance and authorized the Secretary-General to carry out the activities specified in his report in 2014 and 2015, as well as to award a minimum of one scholarship under the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship on the Law of the Sea in 2014 and 2015. The Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to continue and further develop the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law as a major contribution to the teaching and dissemination of international law around the world and to continue to finance the activity from provisions in the regular budget, as well as, when necessary, from voluntary financial contributions.

<https://www.un.org/en/ga/sixth/69/poa.shtml>

## **Previous Attempts to solve the Issue**

At the 22nd meeting, on 29 October, the representative of Ghana, on behalf of the Bureau, introduced a draft resolution entitled "United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law" ([A/C.6/69/L.7](#)). At its 24th meeting, on 31 October, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.6/69/L.7](#), without a vote.

Under the terms of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would reaffirm that the Programme constitutes a core activity of the United Nations and recognize the Programme's important contribution to the furtherance of the United Nations rule of law programmes and activities. The Assembly would, inter alia, note with serious concern that the provisions of paragraph 7 of resolutions [66/97](https://undocs.org/en/A/RES/66/97), [67/91](https://undocs.org/en/A/RES/67/91) and [68/110](https://undocs.org/en/A/RES/68/110) have not been implemented, and therefore decide to revisit the matter of funding for the Programme of Assistance under the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015, in particular the Regional Courses in International Law and the Audiovisual Library of International Law for the year 2015. It would request the Secretary-General to include additional resources under the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 for the organization of the Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean each year, and for the continuation and further development of the Audiovisual Library of International Law. It would also request the Secretary-General to include in the regular budget, for consideration by the Assembly, the necessary funding for the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship on the Law of the Sea with effect from the biennium 2016-2017, should voluntary contributions be insufficient for granting at least one fellowship a year.

<https://undocs.org/en/A/C.6/69/L.7>

<https://undocs.org/en/A/RES/66/97>

<https://undocs.org/en/A/RES/68/110>

<https://www.un.org/en/ga/sixth/69/poa.shtml>

<https://www.un.org/en/ga/sixth/70/poa.shtml>

## **Possible Solutions**

Your priority during this convention is to find new solutions and to perfect ones that already exist. Do this whilst regarding the following. Use your resources wisely

## **Bibliography**

**Every source is listed beneath the respective section.**