Structure of the United Nations Human Rights Bodies and Mechanisms

This diagram, which is not exhaustive, is intended to describe the functioning of the United Nations system in the field of human rights. Emphasis is given to those bodies and programmes with major human rights responsibilities. GENERAL ASSEMBLY Secretary-General SECURITY COUNCIL Treaty-monitoring bodies (Conventional mechanisms) ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR) TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL Human Rights Committee (HRC) Other Subsidiary Secretariat bodies Committee against Torture (CAT) INTERNATIONAL Committee on the Elimination of COURT OF JUSTICE Commission on Crime Racial Discrimination (CERD) Prevention and Criminal Justice Committee on the Elimination of **Discrimination against Women** (CEDAW) Committee on the Rights of the Child United Nations High Commissioner Commission on the Status of (CRC) for Human Rights System Women (CSW) Committee on Migrant Workers and their Families (CMW) International Criminal **Special Procedures Commission on Human Rights** Tribunal (Country and Thematic Mandates) for ex-Yugoslavia Working Groups Technical cooperation Studies by Special Rapporteurs Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Human Rights Protection of Human Rights International Criminal Working Groups **Field Presences** Tribunal for Rwanda Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories