

5 FAM 1200 COMMUNICATIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

5 FAM 1210 COMMUNICATING WITH THE UNITED NATIONS

5 FAM 1211 POLICY

(TL:IM-20; 11-1-95)

a. Since 1947, the United States (U.S.) Representative to the United Nations (UN) has been the appropriate channel for communications between the Government and the UN and delegations accredited to it.

b. All diplomatic communications to the UN or missions accredited to it must be transmitted by the U.S. Representative to the UN or their designee.

c. All communications from the Department or its posts to the United States Mission to the United Nations (USUN) containing instructions for the USUN and for delegations accredited to the UN must be approved either by a Department principal or the Bureau of International Organizations Affairs (IO).

5 FAM 1212 SCOPE AND AUTHORITY

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a. This policy applies in the following manner to all communications from any Department of State office or post to the UN and other international organizations in the UN system. This policy also applies in the following manner to any proposed discussions or visits with officials of the UN, representatives of Missions to the UN, and other international organizations.

b. The authority for this policy is Section 1 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act, 22 U.S.C. 2651a. See also the UN Participation Act of 1945.

c. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to inhibit the Office of Inspector General from conducting investigations in accordance with the provisions of 2 FAM 035.6 .

5 FAM 1213 RESPONSIBILITY

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The Bureau of International Organization Affairs coordinates all communications from the Department to the UN. IO ensures that all proposed communications fall within the scope and authority of the Department.

5 FAM 1214 COORDINATING VISITS WITH USUN

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When Department or other Government officials wish to visit UN officials in New York or representatives of UN Missions on official business, the USUN should receive advance notification via IO, in writing whenever possible, so that the USUN may make proper substantive and administrative arrangements. A member of the USUN staff, at the USUN's discretion, normally will accompany officials on their visits.

5 FAM 1215 DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON

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Discussions in Washington between Government officials and the United Nations Secretariat or officials from the Mission of other states to the UN on UN matters will normally be arranged by the USUN in conjunction with IO.

5 FAM 1216 OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE UN SYSTEM

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All official communications and visits with officials of other international organizations in the UN system should be coordinated through the appropriate U.S. Mission in Geneva, Montreal, Rome, Vienna, Paris, or Nairobi, with prior approval from IO.

5 FAM 1217 THROUGH 1219 UNASSIGNED