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**Briefing by the Officer in Charge of the Security Council Practices and
Charter Research Branch/Security Council Affairs Division/Department of
Political Affairs, on the *Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council***

Mr. Chairman, distinguished delegates,

1. I am most grateful for this opportunity to provide the delegates of the Sixth

3. In the past year we completed ~~the~~ 20th Supplement to the *Repertoire* covering the period 2016 to 2017. I am pleased to report that parts of the Supplement are already being made available in their advance form on the

available online by November. Accordingly, our focus is now on the preparation of the 21st Supplement covering the year 2018.

4. As mentioned in the Secretary-General's report, we expect to complete the

6. **Esteemed Chair, distinguished delegates**, let me first address the publishing status of those Supplements already available on the *Repertoire* website. To date, all Supplements covering the period 1989 to 2013 are available online in all six official languages of the United Nations.

7. Thanks to the extraordinary and enhanced collaboration with DGACM, we are succeeding in shortening the time lag between the completion of Supplements and their eventual publication in all six official languages. I am pleased to report that the 19th Supplement in English (covering the years 2014 and 2015) will be available in print by early 2019. We also expect to

make available on the *Repertoire* website all translated versions of the 19th Supplement by early 2019. For the first time since General Assembly

9. The website also offers a broad range of other information resources including tables, graphs, statistical data on the practice of the Council, the mandates of peacekeeping operations and special political missions, as well as relevant provisions of decisions of the Council in relation to cross-cutting agenda items, namely, children and armed conflict, women and peace and security, and the protection of civilians. These initiatives contribute to further showcase the work of the Security Council and its critical contribution to the maintenance of international peace and security.

interactive capabilities through the use of modern technologies. A case in

and security.

12. Consistent with the intention of General Assembly resolution 686 (VII) of 1952 to make the evidence of customary international law more readily available, and notwithstanding the limited resources available for its elaboration, we are currently exploring improvements to the website with a view to making the information on the *Repertoire* more promptly and easily

13. Over the past year, additional measures have been identified to improve the publication of the *Repertoire*, as well as the tables and graphs made

15. We continue to be highly dependent on voluntary contributions to the

~~Trust Fund established by the General Assembly in 1954/196~~

(December 1999) in order to sustain the efforts and achievements of recent
years which have allowed the *Demonteis* team to significantly narrow the

Branch stands ready to support you with information and guidance on all procedural and constitutional aspects of the current as well as past practice

18. Thank you.