

Membership in the UN:

Article 4

- 1) Membership in the United Nations is open to all ...peace-loving states which accept the obligations contained in the present Charter and, in the judgment of the organization, are able and willing to carry out these obligations.
- 2) The admission of any such state to membership in the United Nations will be affected by a decision of the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Security Council.

The Yalta Formula

Article 27 para. 3

Decisions of the Security Council...shall be made by an affirmative vote of nine Members including the concurrent votes of the permanent Members..."

The Prohibition of the Use of Force

Article 2 para. 4

"All Members shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state..."

Article 51

"Nothing in the present Charter shall impair the inherent right of individual or collective self-defence if an armed attack occurs against a Member of the United Nations..."

EWOKIT 1990, AFGHANISTAN 2001

The second exception is the authorization to use force by the Security Council (Articles 39 following).

The Peaceful Settlement of Disputes *Artic. 33*

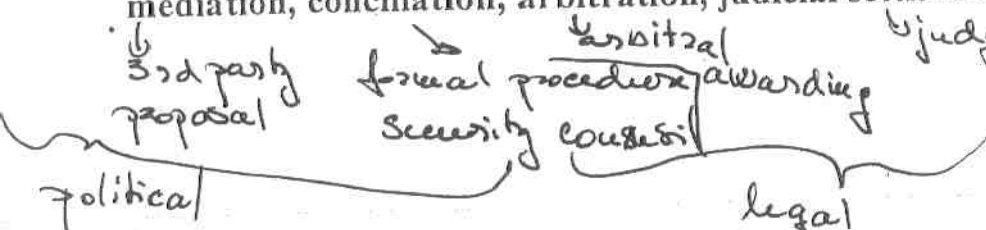
Article 2 para. 3

All Members shall settle their disputes by peaceful means... *(90% diplomatic way)*

Article 33

The parties to a dispute... shall seek a solution by negotiation, enquiry, mediation, conciliation, arbitration, judicial settlement..."

*3rd party-facts
judicial
court of law
EU court (Luxemburg)*



*ICJ - The Hague
court of law
(Strasbourg)
EU court (Luxemburg)*

Security Council

10 non-permanent members

5 permanent members (USA, Fr, China, UK, Russ)

192 countries → members of UN

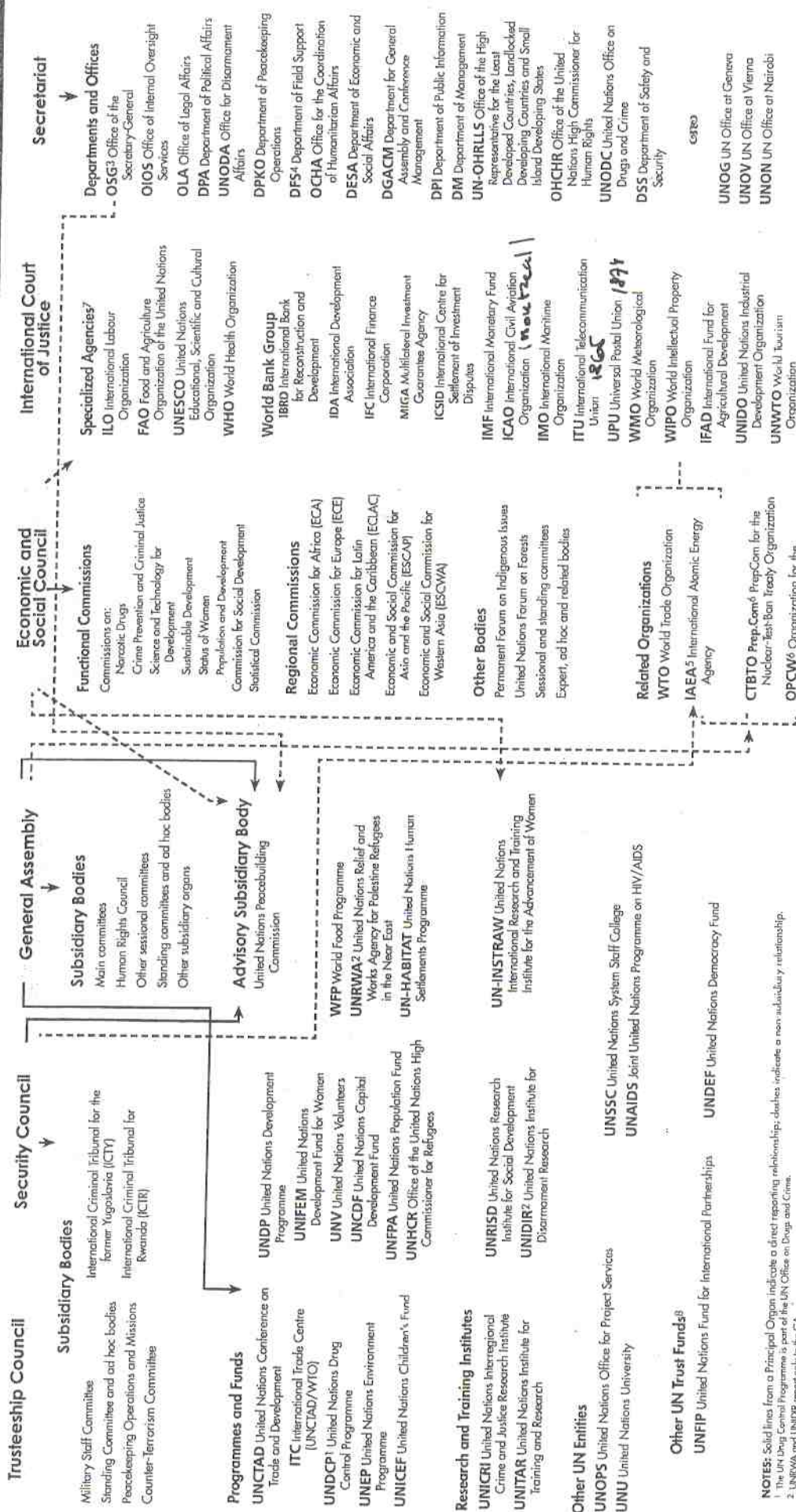
ECOSOC - 54 members

↳ coordination & collaboration with NGOs



The United Nations System

Principal Organs



NOTES: Solid lines from a Principal Organ indicate a direct reporting relationship; dashes indicate a non-substantive relationship.

- The UN Drug Control Programme is part of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime.
- The United Nations Ethics Office, the United Nations Information Technology Officer report directly to the Secretary-General.
- As an exceptional arrangement, the Under-Secretary-General for Field Support reports directly to the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.
- The CTBTO Prep.Com and OPCW report to the GA.
- Specialized agencies are autonomous organizations working with the UN and each other through the coordinating machinery of the ECOSOC at the intergovernmental level, and through the Civil Executives Board for coordination (CEB) at the inter-secretariat level.
- UNFIP is an autonomous trust fund operating under the leadership of the United Nations Deputy Secretary-General, UNDEF, advisory board recommendations pending approval by the Secretary-General.