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**Briefing by the Chief of the Security Council Practices and Charter
Research Branch/Security Council Affairs Division/DPA, on the
*Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council***

Mr. Chairman, distinguished delegates,

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3. Actual drafting of the 18th Supplement covering the two-year period from 2012 to 2013 will commence in early 2014. Groundwork for this Supplement has been systematically laid down in the last two years through recording the most contemporary practice of the Security Council in an internal database.

4. Progress in the preparation of the *Repertoire* is mostly due to efficiency-enhancing initiatives, such as the specialized training of staff, the review of editorial processes, the automation of data collection, the increased use of internal databases and the continuous up-dating of *Repertoire* drafting guidelines. However, future progress will very much depend on the availability of resources which I will address later.

5. A few words about the status of the drafted Supplements to the *Repertoire* covering the period from 1993 to 2009. While the English-language version of the 12th and 13th Supplements covering the period 1993 to 1999 was published in 2011, the remaining languages are expected to be published shortly. As far as the

academic scholars and researchers on questions relating to the current and past practice of the Council and its subsidiary bodies.

7. I invite you to explore frequently the *Repertoire* section of the Security Council website where we regularly post new studies. The *Repertoire* section includes a comprehensive historical list and short descriptions of all agenda items discussed as well as information on all subsidiary organs established by the Council since 1946. The website also contains tables and graphs providing an overview of historical trends relating to the work of the Security Council. Presently, we are working on some revisions to make the website even more user-friendly. As a next step, we are aiming to expand the search functions in order that Member States can access the wealth of information on the practices of the Security Council in an even more targeted manner.

8. Aside from its work on the *Repertoire*, the Branch, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/96 contributed to addressing the backlog in the preparation of volume III of the *Repertory* by submitting all outstanding studies on various Charter Articles for the period

Associate Expert who has already made a valuable contribution to advancing our work.

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