

QUNO Summer School 2010

Reading list

Dear Summer School Participant,

Please find below a list of books and websites on the issues we will be looking at during the summer school.

You don't need to have read everything by the time you reach Geneva, however experience has taught us that the more you read in preparation, the more you will get out of the summer school.

As a minimum it would be useful to read the items listed under *essential reading* for each of the three programme areas. PDFs of these documents should have been emailed to you along with this list. Quaker Meeting House libraries may be able to help you with any Quaker publications on the list that you find it hard to get hold of.

Additionally, the New Internationalist produces excellent "No-Nonsense Guides" to a wide range of topics. Titles include "International Migration", "Conflict and Peace", "International Development," "Food," "The United Nations". Details can be found on the website: www.newint.org/publications/no-nonsense-guides

Finally, if possible, keep up to date with current affairs as many topical issues are likely to come up at some point in the Summer School. Keeping an eye on the BBC website www.bbc.co.uk/news or the Inter Press Service one www.ips.org/institutional or The Economist www.economist.com are amongst the many ways to do this.

If you have any problems or questions, email: quno2@quno.ch.

Best wishes

The QUNO team



General Introduction to the UN

<http://www.un.org/aboutun>

United Nations official website

No-Nonsense Guide to the United Nations, Maggie Black, New Internationalist, 2008

The United Nations: a concise political guide, Sydney Bailey and Sam Daws, MacMillan, 3rd edition 1995

Basic Facts about the United Nations, United Nations Publications, 1998

Intergovernmental negotiations and decision-making at the United Nations, A guide. UN NGO Liaison Service with Gretchen Sidhu, New York and Geneva, 2003



Programme Area 1: Disarmament & Peace

Essential Reading

Atwood, D (2006) "NGOs and Multilateral Disarmament Diplomacy: Limits and Possibilities," in John Borrie and Vanessa Martin Randin, eds. *Thinking Outside the Box in Multilateral and Arms Control Negotiations*, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

<http://www.unidir.org/pdf/articles/pdf-art2580.pdf>

2005 World Summit Outcome Document, www.reformtheun.org/index.php/united_nations/1433

Addendum 2 - Peacebuilding Commission Explanatory note by the Secretary-General*
Background, <http://www.un.org/largerfreedom/add2.htm>

Taking Stock, Looking Forward: A Strategic Review of the Peacebuilding Commission. An Independent Analysis by the NYU Center on International Cooperation (CIC) and the International Peace Institute (IPI). April 2008.

Good Practices Magazine, published by Comunidad Segura in cooperation with QUNO. Issues 0 and 2, <http://www.genevadeclaration.org/resources.html>

6. QUNO Briefing Paper on Armed Violence and Development <http://www.quno.org/geneva/pdf/disarmament-peace/2008GenevaDeclarationArmedViolenceDevelopment.pdf>

Websites and further reading

<http://www.genevadeclaration.org/>
www.genevadeclaration.org/newsletter.html
www.gppplatform.ch
www.geneva-forum.org
www.disarmamentinsight.blogspot.com
<http://disarmament.un.org/>
<http://www.pbcupdate.org/>

www.unog.ch/UNIDIR/e-df.htm

www.un.org/peace/peacebuilding

www.iansa.org/

www.acronym.org.uk/

www.smallarmssurvey.org

Geneva Declaration on Armed Violence and Development
Geneva Peacebuilding Platform
The Geneva Forum
UNIDIR/Geneva Forum Disarmament Blog
UN Department of Disarmament Affairs
Website tracking the UN Peacebuilding Commission
UN Institute for Disarmament Research
Disarmament Forum Periodical
UN Peacebuilding Commission
International Action Network on Small Arms
The Acronym Institute, “Disarmament Diplomacy”
Small Arms Survey, HEI

Goldblat, J (2002) “Basic Concepts”, Chapter 1 in *Arms Control: The New Guide to Negotiations and Agreements*. , PRIO and SIPRI: SAGE publications.

Global Burden of Armed Violence, Geneva Declaration, 2008.

<http://www.genevadeclaration.org/resources-armed-violence-report.html>



Programme Area 2: Human Rights and Refugees

Essential Reading

Righting Historic Wrongs, report on the 1st session of the Human Rights Council,
<http://www.quno.org/geneva/pdf/humanrights/RightingHistoricWrongs200606.pdf>

Neither Mountain nor Molehill, reflections on the Human Rights Council in its first year,
<http://www.quno.org/geneva/pdf/humanrights/NeitherMountainNorMolehill200707.pdf>

A Curate's Egg, UN Human Rights Council Year 3,
<http://www.quno.org/geneva/pdf/humanrights/ACuratesEgg200908.pdf>

Geneva Reporter, Vol 29, No. 1, Nov. 2009-Jan. 2010,
<http://www.quno.org/geneva/pdf/QUNO/GR201001.pdf> for specific pieces on:

- Conscientious Objection to Military Service (pgs 1-2); and
- Women in Prison (p 5)

Examples of specific pieces of QUNO's Human Rights and Refugees work

Child Soldiers: Implementing a prophetic vision through international law, Ch 6 in *Endeavours to Mend*, Brian Phillips and John Lampen (Eds) Quaker Books, 2006

Persistent Objectors at the UN, *The Friend Quarterly*, Vol. 35, No. 7, July 2007

Websites and further reading

http://www.ohchr.org/english	The UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
www.unhcr.org	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
http://www.idpproject.org/	Global IDP Project
www.amnesty.org	Amnesty International
www.hrw.org/	Human Rights Watch
www.icrc.org	International Committee of the Red Cross
www.ishr.ch	International Service for Human Rights

Human Rights, A Very Short Introduction by Andrew Clapham – an outstanding overview of human rights and their inherent complexities.

International Human Rights Lexicon by Susan Marks and Andrew Clapham (Oxford University Press, 2005).



Programme Area 3: Global Economic Issues (GEI)

* Indicates Essential Reading

Agriculture, Food and Trade

10 benefits of the WTO trading system, WTO Publications, Switzerland, 2000,
www.wto.org/english/res_e/doload_e/10b_e.pdf (also available in French and Spanish)

**Practical Guide to the WTO*, Geneva + Bangkok, 2004, chapters 1 – 3 and 6
www.3dthree.org/en/complement.php?IDcomplement=36 (also available in Spanish and Portuguese)

Sophia Murphy, *Free Trade in Agriculture - A Bad Idea Whose Time Is Done*, in *Monthly Review*, 2009, <http://www.monthlyreview.org/090801murphy.php>

If you enjoy on-line games, you might want to try the experience of being a third world farmer in advance of the Summer School: www.arcadetown.com/3rdworldfarmer/game.asp

Intellectual Property and Food

**Seeds of Hunger: Intellectual Property on Seeds and the Human Rights Response*, Geneva, 2009,
www.3dthree.org/en/page.php?IDpage=38&IDcat=5 (also available in French and Spanish)

The Future Control of Food – A Guide to International Negotiations and Rules on Intellectual Property, Biodiversity and Food Security, Ottawa, 2008, particularly chapters 1 and 2.
<http://www.idrc.ca/openebooks/397-3> (also available in Spanish)

The World According to Monsanto, <http://topdocumentaryfilms.com/the-world-according-to-monsanto>

Climate Change

IPCC Fourth Assessment Report: Climate Change 2007 (AR4),
http://www.ipcc.ch/publications_and_data/publications_and_data_reports.htm

**Forced Migration Review, Climate Change and Displacement*, Issue 31, 2008, 'Numbers, Definitions and Observations,' pp. 8 – 21.
http://repository.forcedmigration.org/show_metadata.jsp?pid=fmo:4729

Websites

<http://www.oxfam.org/en/campaigns>

www.ictsd.org

<http://www.grain.org>

Oxfam International Campaigns (see particularly Agriculture, Climate Change and Trade)
International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development
GRAIN

<http://www.no-patents-on-seeds.org>
www.unep.org/climatechange
www.towardsrecognition.org

No Patents On Seeds Coalition
UN Environment Programme on Climate Change
Toward Recognition (blog aiming to raise
awareness about environmental migrants)



General Information About QUNO

www.quno.org

For information on the programmes of the QUNOs in Geneva and New York, recent reports and editions of our quarterly newsletter, Geneva Reporter.



Quaker Classics on International Relations

Peace is a Process, Swarthmore Lecture 1993, Sydney Bailey, QHS 1993

True Justice: Quaker Peace Makers and Peace Making, Swarthmore Lecture 1981, Adam Curle

Prophets and Reconcilers, Swarthmore Lecture 1974, Wolf Mendl

Building the Institutions of Peace, Swarthmore Lecture 1962, J Duncan Wood

Quaker Experiences in International Conciliation, Mike Yarrow, Yale University Press 1978



Introduction To Quakerism

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