

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Open-ended IGWG to consider the possibility of elaborating an international regulatory framework on the regulation, monitoring and oversight of the activities of private military and security companies

**Fourth session, 27 April to 1 May 2015
Geneva, Palais des Nations, Room XIX**

Time	Monday, 27 April 2015	Tuesday, 28 April 2015	Wednesday, 29 April 2015	Thursday, 30 April 2015	Friday, 1 May 2015
10 am to 1 pm	<p>Opening of the session</p> <p>Election of the Chairperson-Rapporteur</p> <p>Adoption of the agenda, timetable and programme of work</p> <p>Topic 1:</p> <p>General discussion and updates by participants on developments since the third session, including with regard to relevant legislation, initiatives and any other measures taken</p>	<p>Topic 2:</p> <p>Substantive report of the Chairperson of the UN Working Group on the use of mercenaries</p> <p><i>Ms. Elżbieta Karska, Chairperson-Rapporteur of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination</i></p> <p>General discussion</p>	<p>Topic 4:</p> <p>Specificities of regulating sea-based private security activities</p> <p><i>Dr. Stuart Casey-Maslen, Senior researcher in international law at the University of Pretoria</i></p> <p>General discussion</p>	<p>Informal consultations</p>	<p>Presentation of the summary and recommendations of the fourth session</p>
3 pm to 6 pm	<p>Topic 1 continued</p> <p><i>Member States and participants are kindly invited to share orally and/or in writing (by email to mwiener@ohchr.org) any updates on relevant legislation, initiatives and other measures taken concerning the regulation, monitoring and oversight of the activities of private military and security companies</i></p>	<p>Topic 3:</p> <p>Discussion with representative of private military and security companies</p> <p><i>Mr. Paul Gibson, Director of Security in Complex Environments Group</i></p> <p>General discussion</p>	<p>Topic 5:</p> <p>The use of private security companies by the United Nations</p> <p><i>Mr. Peter Drennan, Under-Secretary-General for Safety and Security, United Nations Department of Safety and Security</i></p> <p>General discussion</p>	<p>Informal consultations continued</p>	