



INVITATION for PRs/DPRs/experts

TO A SPECIAL EVENT ON

“PROMOTING AND STRENGTHENING THE INTERNATIONAL LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE PROTECTION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE – THE 1995 UNIDROIT CONVENTION AND OTHER RELEVANT LEGAL INSTRUMENTS AND INITIATIVES”

Conference Room 5, United Nations Secretariat Building, New York

Tuesday 28 February 2017 at 10.30 – 13.00

The Permanent Missions of Cyprus and Italy in collaboration with UNIDROIT cordially invite you to an event on the international legal framework for the protection of cultural heritage with a focus on the 1995 UNIDROIT Convention on Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects and other relevant initiatives and instruments.

The event will take place on Tuesday 28 February 2017 from 10.30 - 13.00 in Conference Room 5. You may find herewith the concept note of the event. As you will read in the Concept Note, among the purposes of the event is to establish a Task Force to promote the ratification of the UNIDROIT Convention and other instruments and to raise awareness as to the tools offered by the international instruments in the global effort to stop the looting of cultural property. The Task Force is open for the participation of interested States and we would mostly welcome your interest in this regard.

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PROGRAM

10.30 -10.45 Opening remarks

H.E. Mr Sebastiano Cardi, Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations, New York

H.E. Mr Kornelios Korneliou, Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations, New York

10.45 – 11.15 Keynote Speakers

Mr Jose Angelo Maria Estrella – Secretary General of UNIDROIT

H.E. Mrs Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni – Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

11.15 – 11.45 Panellists

Mr Gilles Dutertre - Senior Trial Lawyer of the ICC in Al Mahdi case

Ms Marie Paule Roudil, UNESCO, Director NY office

Ms Yu Ping Chan, UNODC, NY office Expert

Mr Emmanuel Roux, INTERPOL, Director NY office

11.45 -12.45 Discussion

12.45 – 13.00 Closing Remarks