

# User's Guide to AccessUN

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Documents from the six main bodies of the UN are indexed:

--General Assembly                      --Trusteeship Council  
--Security Council                       --Secretariat  
--Economic & Social Council    --International Court of Justice

## **Searching Assistance**

Enter your term in the search box and select a category using the adjacent drop down menu. Repeat with additional terms and link using (AND, OR, NOT). Categories include: subject, session/agenda, author, title, text, UN sales number, country, document number.

To view AccessUN's subject terms, see the Help Menu.  
Use parenthesis to contain phrases  
Use truncation symbols: ?, \*, \$ to truncate terms.

## **Sample searches:**

To find info. on trade regulations with china:  
          china                      as a subject term  
          AND (trade policy) as a subject term

To find info. on women's status internationally:  
          women's status as a subject term

To search for resolution documents on the Middle East:  
          RES                      as a document number term  
          AND (middle east) as a subject term

To search for a treaty, specifically, the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty:  
          (comprehensive nuclear test ban treat) as Title term

For more assistance: see the AccessUN search screen

## **Other resources to consult:**

- Statistical Universe, for statistical data (see library homepage, under Indexes to Articles and Publications).
- Index to UN Documents and Publications, 1980-1998 CD (at Hillman Library Reference Desk)
- UNBISnet (UN Bibliographic Information System) – Catalog of UN publications and documentation indexed by the UN Dag Hammarskjöld Library. <<http://unbisnet.un.org>>.