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CSA/13/DEC

WTO COMMISSION FOR SOUTH ASIA

DECISIONS TAKEN AT ITS THIRTEENTH MEETING

Tehran (Iran), 4-5 August 1983

AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Communication by the Chairman
3. Communication by the Secretary-General
4. Communication by the Commission's representatives on the various organs of the Organization
5. Report on the operational activities of the Organization in South Asia
6. Report on technical cooperation projects in South Asia
7. Consideration of the conclusions and adoption of the recommendations of the workshop on "Financing of Tourism Projects"
8. Consideration of the conclusions and adoption of the recommendations of the workshop on "Social and Cultural Impact of Tourism in the countries of South Asia"
9. Consideration of the report on the Studies and Guidelines submitted to the Commission in accordance with the decision of the General Assembly at its fourth session
10. Consideration of the report on the practical application of the conclusions and recommendations of certain selected Studies, Handbooks and Reports prepared by the Organization under its general programme of work for 1980-1981
11. Information report on WTO's activities in the field of facilitation
12. Information report on the World Tourism Meeting held in Acapulco, Mexico, 21-27 August 1982
13. Information report on the celebration of World Tourism Day
14. Report on the Fund in trust administered on behalf of the Members of the Commission
15. Report on the joint promotional activities of the Members of the Commission
16. Review of tourism in South Asia
17. Place and date of fourteenth meeting

CSA/DEC/1 (XIII)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Agenda item 1 (document CSA/13/Prov.Ag.)

The Commission,

Adopts the agenda of its thirteenth meeting, as contained in document CSA/13/Prov.Ag.

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CSA/DEC/2 (XIII)

COMMUNICATION BY THE CHAIRMAN
Agenda item 2

The Commission,

Having heard the Communication by the Chairman,

Takes note of the Communication, for which it thanks him.

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CSA/DEC/3 (XIII)

COMMUNICATION BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
Agenda item 3 (document CSA/13/3)

The Commission,

Having heard the Communication by the Secretary-General, as well as the complementary information provided by the Deputy Secretary-General,

Takes note of the Communication, for which it thanks him;

Affirms the responsibility of the State towards tourism as enshrined in the Manila Declaration and Acapulco Document, and requests Governments to recognize and strengthen the role of tourism by providing it at the administrative level with the necessary authority, powers and resources, so that it has the same status as other national administrations and tourism may be accorded its rightful place and the priority it deserves;

Recalls the central and decisive role of the Organization in the field of tourism as recognized by the United Nations General Assembly, and invites the Members to ensure this role of the Organization by avoiding unnecessary duplication of activities and waste of scarce human and financial resources available to developing countries, that could result from the initiatives taken in the field of tourism by other Organizations;

Welcomes the new activities scheduled in the Organization's draft programme of work for 1984-1985, particularly in regard to standard-setting, mechanism for consultations and negotiations, and conciliation procedures;

Requests that the research work undertaken by the Organization should be more pragmatic, in order to provide practical and operational guidelines for its Members;

Requests further the Secretary-General to advise the Mexican Government to establish a more equitable scheme of scholarships to CIEST, so that every country in the region gets an opportunity of making use of this facility with adequate notice; as well as to take the necessary measures to strengthen the vocational training activities of the Secretariat within the limitations of the budget.

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CSA/DEC/4 (XIII)

COMMUNICATION BY THE COMMISSION'S REPRESENTATIVES
ON THE VARIOUS ORGANS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Agenda item 4

The Commission,

Having heard the reports of India and Nepal on the 20th session of the Executive Council, of Bangladesh on the 10th meeting of the Committee on Budget and Finance, of Sri Lanka on the 5th meeting of the Technical Committee for Programme and Coordination, and of Nepal on the 2nd meeting of the Environment Committee,

Takes note of the reports, for which it thanks them.

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CSA/DEC/5 (XIII)

REPORT ON THE OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES
OF THE ORGANIZATION IN SOUTH ASIA

Agenda item 5 (document CSA/13/5)

The Commission,

Having examined the report on the operational activities carried out in the region during the period 1982 and early 1983,

Takes note of the information contained therein;

Expresses its satisfaction with the significant increase in operational activities of the Organization, especially the fielding of missions in response to specific needs expressed by Members;

Accepts with thanks and appreciation, the offer of India to host the Workshop on "Convention Marketing and Incentive Travel" during December 1983/January 1984.

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CSA/DEC/6 (XIII)

REPORT ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECTS
IN SOUTH ASIA

Agenda item 6 (document CSA/13/6)

The Commission,

Having examined the report on the completed, ongoing and pipeline technical cooperation projects in the region, and the procedures for obtaining WTO technical assistance annexed thereto,

Takes note of the information contained therein;

Urges Governments to give a higher priority for tourism projects in the allocation of resources from the UNDP;

Requests the Secretary-General to explore the possibilities of finding other multilateral or bilateral sources of funding for tourism projects, in view of the financial constraints being faced by the UNDP;

Welcomes the preparatory assistance mission of the project "Regional Cooperation in Tourism Training", and urges the implementation of this project as soon as possible.

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CSA/DEC/7 (XIII)

CONSIDERATION OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND ADOPTION
OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORKSHOP ON
"FINANCING OF TOURISM PROJECTS"

Agenda item 7 (document CSA/13/7)

The Commission,

Having considered the conclusions and recommendations of the Workshop on "Financing of Tourism Projects" held from 4 to 6 April 1983 at Dhaka (Bangladesh),

Adopts the recommendations of the Workshop for implementation by the Members.

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CSA/DEC/8 (XIII)

CONSIDERATION OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND ADOPTION OF THE
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORKSHOP ON
"SOCIAL AND CULTURAL IMPACT OF TOURISM
IN THE COUNTRIES OF SOUTH ASIA"

Agenda item 8 (document CSA/13/8)

The Commission,

Having considered the Final Report containing the conclusions and

recommendations of the Workshop on "Social and Cultural Impact of Tourism in the Countries of South Asia" held from 31 July to 2 August 1983 at Tehran (Iran),

Adopts the recommendations of the Workshop for implementation by the Members.

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CSA/DEC/9 (XIII)

CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT ON THE STUDIES AND GUIDELINES
SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
DECISION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS FOURTH SESSION
Agenda item 9

The Commission,

Having noted the inability of Pakistan to present a report on the work entrusted to it at the twelfth meeting,

Requests the Members to communicate their comments to Pakistan without any further delay, so as to enable it to submit a report at the Commission's fourteenth meeting.

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CSA/DEC/10 (XIII)

CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT ON THE PRACTICAL
APPLICATION OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
OF CERTAIN SELECTED STUDIES, HANDBOOKS AND REPORTS
PREPARED BY THE ORGANIZATION UNDER ITS
GENERAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 1980-1981
Agenda item 10

The Commission,

Having heard the report of Sri Lanka on the work entrusted to it at the twelfth meeting,

Requests the Members to communicate their comments to Sri Lanka without any further delay, so as to enable it to submit a more comprehensive report at the Commission's fourteenth meeting.

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CSA/DEC/11 (XIII)

INFORMATION REPORT ON WTO'S ACTIVITIES
IN THE FIELD OF FACILITATION
Agenda item 11 (document CSA/13/11)

The Commission,

Having heard the report on the Organization's activities in the field of facilitation,

Takes note of the information contained therein;

Appreciates the work of the Facilitation Committee so far and that customs formalities are being taken up as its next priority, in accordance with the request made by the Commission at its twelfth meeting;

Requests the Members who have not done so already to reply urgently questionnaires SG/128 and SG/129 in this regard.

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CSA/DEC/12 (XIII)

INFORMATION REPORT ON THE WORLD TOURISM MEETING
HELD IN ACAPULCO, MEXICO, 21-27 AUGUST 1982
Agenda item 12 (document CSA/13/12)

The Commission,

Having heard the report on the World Tourism Meeting held in Acapulco, Mexico, and the recommendations annexed thereto,

Takes note of the information contained therein.

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CSA/DEC/13 (XIII)

INFORMATION REPORT ON THE CELEBRATION
OF WORLD TOURISM DAY
Agenda item 13 (document CSA/13/13)

The Commission,

Having heard the report of the Secretary-General on the celebration of World Tourism Day in 1982 and the suggested guidelines for 1983 annexed thereto, as well as the reports of the Members on measures being undertaken to celebrate this Day,

Notes with satisfaction the reports;

Encourages the Members to continue their efforts in this regard.

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CSA/DEC/14 (XIII)

REPORT ON THE FUND IN TRUST ADMINISTERED
ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION
Agenda item 14 (document CSA/13/14)

The Commission,

Having examined the report on the current position of the funds available to the Members, together with the balance sheet at 31 December 1982 and administrative accounts for 1982 annexed thereto,

Takes note of the information contained therein;

Appreciates the decision of the Executive Council agreeing to the Secretariat administering as a Fund in trust the funds belonging to the Members, which is in accordance with the decisions of the Commission at its fifth, sixth and seventh meetings; as well as that no fee should be charged for administering this fund in trust;

Decides to consider at its fourteenth meeting the contributions from the Members to the Fund in trust.

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CSA/DEC/15 (XIII)

REPORT ON THE JOINT PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES
OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION
Agenda item 15 (document CSA/13/15)

The Commission,

Having examined the report on the implementation of the joint promotional activities of the Members,

Notes with satisfaction the progress made since the last meeting;

Requests the Secretary-General to continue implementation of these activities as a special service to a particular group of Members of the Organization;

Requests the Members who have not supplied the additional photographic material required for the joint folder and poster to do so without any further delay;

Urges the Members who have not sent their share of the cost of production of the joint folder and poster, and/or their annual contribution towards the cost of sponsoring consumer publications to do so without any further delay;

Entrusts India and Sri Lanka with the submission of a programme of joint promotional activities for consideration at the Commission's fourteenth meeting.

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CSA/DEC/16 (XIII)

REVIEW OF TOURISM IN SOUTH ASIA
Agenda item 16 (document CSA/13/16)

The Commission,

Having examined the Monograph on Tourism in South Asia summarizing tourism trends and development in the region, together with estimates for 1982,

Appreciates the comprehensive and valuable information contained therein;

Requests the Secretary-General to continue its publication annually;

Entrusts the Members with the submission of their comments, other necessary information and their annual reports regularly, including replies to questionnaires SG/STAT/126 and SG/STAT/127 if they have not done so already, so as to enable the preparation of a more comprehensive Monograph in the future;

Requests the Members who have not replied questionnaire SG/123 on Budgets of National Tourism Administrations to do so urgently, so that this information may be included in the publication to be made available at the General Assembly.

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CSA/DEC/17 (XIII)

PLACE AND DATE OF FOURTEENTH MEETING
Agenda item 17

The Commission,

Decides to hold its fourteenth meeting on 3 and 10 October 1983, in conjunction with the fifth session of the General Assembly at New Delhi, India.

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