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DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE UNWTO COMMISSION
FOR SOUTH ASIA AND AT ITS FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING

Medellin, Colombia, 13 September 2015

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**UNWTO COMMISSION FOR SOUTH ASIA (CSA)
Fifty-fifth Meeting****Medellin, Colombia*****Sunday, 13 September 2015
11:00-12:30*****Agenda**

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Nomination of candidates to the XXI General Assembly offices:
 - a. One Vice-President of the General Assembly
 - b. One Member of the Credentials Committee
3. Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Commission for 2015-2017
4. Nomination of candidates to represent the region on the Executive Council and its subsidiary Organs as follows:
 - a. **One** candidate for the Programme and Budget Committee¹
 - b. **One** candidate to Statistics and Tourism Satellite Account Committee (STSC)
 - c. **One** candidate to the Committee on Tourism and Sustainability (CTS)
 - d. **One** candidate on Tourism and Competitiveness (CTC)
 - e. **One** candidate to the Committee for the Review of Applications for Affiliate Membership²
5. Jury for the video competition³
6. Update on regional activities
7. Other matters
8. Place and date of the Fifty-sixth meeting of the Commission

¹ The term of office of the Maldives expires in 2015 but that of India who was elected by the Executive Council will expire in 2017.

² This member should be from the Executive Council.

³ In order to select the winners of the six regional prizes, a jury will be established comprising the Chairs of the six Regional Commissions of UNWTO, one representative of the host country (Colombia), and a prominent communications professional designated by the Organization. Each member of the jury shall vote for three videos from each region, except his or her own region in the case of representatives of the member countries.

PREAMBLE

The fifty-fourth meeting of the UNWTO Commission for South Asia chaired by **India** was held in Medellin, Colombia on 13th September 2015, within the framework of the 21st session of the UNWTO General Assembly. The Assembly was hosted by the Government of Colombia from 12-17 September 2015.

DECISIONS

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda item 1 (document CSA/55/Prov.Ag.)

The Commission,

Adopts the Agenda of its 55th meeting, as submitted by the Secretary-General in document CSA/55/Prov. Agenda.

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NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE VARIOUS GENERAL ASSEMBLY OFFICES

Agenda items 2 to 5 (document A/21/Com.Reg)

The Commission,

Decides to nominate the following Members as its candidates to the offices of the 21st session of the General Assembly:

- Vice-President of the Assembly: **Bangladesh**
 - Member of the Credentials Committee: **Bhutan**
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ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE REGION

The Commission,

Having been informed that India had presented its candidature to the Secretariat for re-election as the next chair of the Commission,

Decides to re-elect **India** as Chairman of the Commission for South Asia and **Bangladesh** and **Afghanistan** as Vice-Chairmen for a term of office of two years commencing from the 21st session of the General Assembly; and

Expresses its appreciation to the outgoing Vice-Chairman: the Maldives.

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NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL & ITS SUBSIDIARY ORGANS

The Commission,

Having considered the working document submitted by the Secretary-General on the nominations and elections to statutory organs and their subsidiary organs,

Decides to nominate the following countries to represent the region:

- **Maldives** as a member of **Programme and Budget Committee**
- **India** as a member of **Statistics and Tourism Satellite Account**
- **Bhutan** as a member of **Committee on Tourism and Sustainability**
- **Maldives** as a member of the **Committee on Tourism and Competitiveness**
- **India** as a member of the **Committee on the Review of Affiliate Membership**

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THE JURY OF THE VIDEO COMPETITION

Agenda item 5

The Commission,

Agrees that **India** as the Chair of the Commission represent its Members on the Jury that selects the 6 regional prizes for the Video Competition.

NB: **Maldives** was chosen as the winner of the video competition.

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REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

Agenda item 6 (document CSA/55/6)

The Commission,

Having listened to the report by the Director of the Regional Programme for Asia and the Pacific on the activities carried out in the region,

Thanks the Secretariat for the range of activities covered within the period under review.

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OTHER MATTERS

Agenda item 8

The Commission takes note of the following:

- The revised *Medellin Statement on Tourism and Air Transport and Development* to be adopted at the UNWTO/ICAO Forum on Tourism and Air Transport for Development on 14 September
- The brief information about UNWTO's participation in WTM Summit in November in London
- The ST-EP meeting to be held on 15 September from 18:00-19:00

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PLACE AND DATE OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING OF THE COMMISSION

Agenda item 8

The Commission,

Notes that the 52nd meeting of the Commission will take place in 2017 in Chengdu, (Sichuan Province, China) within the framework of the 22nd UNWTO General Assembly.

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