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PLACE AND DATES OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION
OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Note by the Secretary-General

The purpose of this document is to inform the Executive Council of the statutory provisions and rules governing the fixing of the place and dates of its sessions and to submit to it the candidature received for hosting its eighty-fifth session.

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I. PROCEDURE FOR FIXING THE PLACE AND DATES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SESSIONS

1. Article 8(2) of the Organization's Statutes and rule 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure provide that the Council sessions may be held away from Headquarters if that organ so decides.
2. A decision is to be taken at the present session on the place and dates of the next Council session.

II. CANDIDATURE RECEIVED FOR THE EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION

3. It will be recalled that, at its eighty-third session, the Council took note of the candidature of **Mali** for hosting its eighty-fifth session in its territory, (decision CE/DEC/20(LXXXIII)). On 6 August 2006, H.E. Mr. N'Diaye Bah, Minister of Handicrafts and Tourism of Mali, has sent an official invitation to hold in that country this session of the Council.
4. It is recalled that India has also confirmed, at the last session of the Council, its intention to host a future session.