

Executive Council

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Annotated provisional agenda

Item 1. Adoption of the agenda (document CE/96/1 prov.)

In accordance with rule 4(1) of the Executive Council's Rules of Procedure, the provisional agenda for the session was drawn up by the Secretary-General in agreement with the Chairman of the Council. It covers all matters referred to the Council in accordance with Article 19 of the Statutes and with decisions taken by the Council at previous sessions.

The Council is invited to adopt the agenda submitted to it.

<u>Item 2. Report of the Secretary-General on administrative and statutory matters</u>

(a) Report of the Programme and Budget Committee (document CE/96/2(a))

Under this item of the provisional agenda, the Chair of the Programme and Budget Committee (Argentina) submits the report, prepared by the Committee on conclusion of its third meeting, concerning financial matters within the Council's remit.

(b) Updated report on the financial situation (document A/20/5(II)(b) and Addendum))

In these documents the Secretary-General updates the Council on the general financial situation of the Organization.

(c) Detailed Financial Rules (document CE/96/2(c))

Further to debates and approval of partial changes to the Detailed Financial Rules in previous EC sessions, the consolidated final version of the Detailed Financial Rules is presented for approval.

(d) Suspension of membership in accordance with Article 34 of the Statutes and requests for temporary exemption from the application of paragraph 13 of the Financial Rules (document A/20/4(b))

Under this item, the Secretary-General transmits to the Council, in accordance with resolution 217(VII), a list of the Members subject to the provisions of Article 34 of the

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Statutes, informing it of any developments in this regard since its previous session. The Council will also receive a list of the Members that have accumulated arrears equal to or exceeding four years' contributions and that could be liable to the provisions of Article 34.

Under the same item, the Secretary-General transmits any requests for suspending the application of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules that may have been submitted in accordance with General Assembly resolution 162(VI), provided the Council has established that the delay in paying contributions is due to circumstances beyond the control of the Members concerned and these Members have agreed with the Council on measures to settle their arrears.

(e) Election of the Auditors for 2014-2015 (document A/20/5(II)(e))

Under this provisional agenda item, the Executive Council is invited to examine the candidatures of the Full Members for the posts of Auditor of the Organization for the financial period 2014-2015, and to make its recommendation to the General Assembly.

(f) Information and communication technologies at the Secretariat (document CE/96/2(f))

A review of the Secretariat's programme of work implemented in the area of information and communication technologies and future plans in this domain are presented.

(g) Joint Inspection Unit recommendations in the context of the White Paper (document CE/96/2(g))

A review of Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) reports for last year (2012) and consideration of applicability of recommendations formulated in reports corresponding to the period 2006 to 2010 are presented in light of the White Paper as UNWTO's established tool for reform.

(h) World Tourism Day: information on the activities of 2012 and 2013, adoption of themes and designation of the host countries for 2014-2015 (document A/20/11)

The report under this item presents the candidatures submitted by States for hosting the official celebration of World Tourism Day in 2014 and 2015, which should take place in the regions of the Americas and Africa, respectively.

(i) Rules of procedure of the Technical Committees on Competitiveness and Sustainability (document CE/96/2(i))

These Rules of Procedure are proposed for adoption following the proposal (document CE/95/3(I)(e)) made by the Secretary-General to the Executive Council in its 95th session (Serbia, May 2013) and its corresponding decision CE/DEC/7(XCV).

Item 3. Draft programme and budget of the Organization for 2014-2015 (document A/20/5(I)(c))

In accordance with paragraphs (d) and (e) of Article 19 of the Statutes, The draft programme and budget for the years 2014 and 2015 is submitted to the Council for its revision. The draft is prepared in accordance with the priorities defined through the survey conducted among the Members. It was already considered by the Programme and Budget Committee, in May 2013, and the Executive Council at its ninety-fifth session (Belgrade, Serbia, 27-29 May 2013).

<u>Item 4. Report of the Executive Council to the General Assembly (document for information)</u> (document A/20/8)

This document is submitted to the Members of the Council for information.

<u>Item 5. Affiliate Members: Report of the Committee for the Review of Applications for Affiliate Membership (document CE/96/5)</u>

Under this item of the provisional agenda, the Committee presents to the Council its report on the applications referred to it for affiliate membership of the Organization.

Item 6. Place and date of the ninety-seventh session of the Executive Council (document CE/96/6)

The ninety-seventh session of the Executive Council is scheduled to be held at Livingstone, Zambia, immediately after the twentieth session of the General Assembly, i.e., on 29 August 2013.

Item 7. Draft decisions of the ninety-sixth session of the Executive Council

The Council will entrust the Secretariat to elaborate the decisions of its ninety-sixth session.