

**DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

**AT ITS SIXTY-SIXTH SESSION**

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### 3. DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

CE/DEC/1(LXVI)

#### Adoption of the agenda

Agenda item 1  
(documents CE/66/1 prov. and CE/66/1 prov.annot.)

The Executive Council

Adopts the agenda of its sixty-sixth session.

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CE/DEC/2(LXVI)

#### Applications for membership

Agenda item 2  
(documents A/14/5 a)I), A/14/5a)I) Add.1, A/14/5 a)I) Add.2,  
A/14/5 a)I) Add.3 and A/14/5 a)II))

The Executive Council,

Having regard to Articles 5, 6 and 7 of the Statutes and rules 49 and 50 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the information provided by the Secretary-General concerning applications for full, associate and affiliate membership of the Organization;

Having considered the proposal concerning temporary suspension of full membership submitted by Burundi and the opinion of the Legal Adviser on that subject,

2. Believes that such a procedure should, in the interest of the Organization, be made possible, albeit subject to strict and specific conditions; and
  3. Decides to transmit the proposal to the Assembly for consideration.
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CE/DEC/3(LXVI)

**Designation of the countries to act as the official hosts  
of World Tourism Day in 2002 and 2003**

Agenda item 3  
(document CE/66/3)

The Executive Council,

Having considered the document setting out invitations received from member States to host World Tourism Day in 2002 and 2003,

Believing that the host state of World Tourism Day should be determined by rotation among the Members of the six Regional Commissions so as to respect equitable geographical distribution;

1. Thanks the countries that have presented candidatures;
2. Decides to recommend to the Assembly to select, with effect from 2004, the host states for World Tourism Day from among the member States belonging to regions that have not yet hosted World Tourism Day celebrations, on the proposal of the respective Regional Commissions, and
3. Recommends that in future, World Tourism Day should not coincide with the holding of the General Assembly.

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CE/DEC/4(LXVI)

**Composition and functions  
of the Committee on Market Intelligence and Promotion**

Agenda item 4  
(document CE/66/4)

The Executive Council,

Having considered the document on this subject,

1. Believes the initiative of creating the Committee on Market Intelligence and Promotion to be timely and desirable;
  2. Agrees to the composition and functions proposed for this Committee; and
  3. Recommends that the Committee should constitute an authentic network of market intelligence and that it carry out its functions in a broad spirit of open-mindedness.
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CE/DEC/5(LXVI)

**Candidatures for the posts of Auditor for the period 2002-2003**

Agenda item 5  
(documents CE/66/5 and CE/66/6 b))

The Executive Council,

Having regard to Article 12(g) of the Organization's Statutes and regulation 15 of the Financial Regulations;

1. Thanks the Auditors appointed for the current biennium 2000-2001, i.e. Spain and India, for their efficient work;

Having reviewed the candidatures submitted,

2. Recommends the General Assembly to renew the mandate of Spain and India as Auditors for the financial period 2002-2003.

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CE/DEC/6(LXVI)

**Administrative and financial matters**

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General**
- (b) Report of the Committee on Budget and Finance**

Agenda item 6(a)(b)  
(documents CE/66/6 a), CE/66/6 a) Add.1 and CE/66/6 b))

The Executive Council,

Having before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the Organization,

Having heard the presentations made by the Secretariat and having considered the report of the Committee on Budget and Finance,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the high level of contributions received for the current year;

2. Notes with satisfaction that, in fulfilment of the recommendation of the Assembly contained in resolution 396(XIII), it will be possible to maintain a balance between income and expenditure and to execute in full the plan of expenditure for 2001;

Having noted the considerable amount of arrears owed to the Organization by certain Members,

3. Requests the Secretary-General to pursue his efforts to collect arrear contributions; and
4. Urges Members in arrears in the payment of their contributions to discharge the outstanding amounts as soon as possible.

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CE/DEC/7(LXVI)

### **Administrative and financial matters**

- (c) **Suspension of membership in accordance with Article 34 of the Statutes**
- (d) **Requests for temporary exemption from the application of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules**

Agenda item 6(b)(c)  
(documents CE/66/6 (b), CE/66/6 (c)(d),  
CE/66/6 (c)(d) Add.1, CE/66/6 (c)(d) Add.2 and CBF/Doc. Trav.2)

The Executive Council,

Having considered the application to the Members mentioned in the above documents of the provisions of Article 34 of the Statutes and of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules attached to the Statutes,

Having been informed of the Members granted temporary exemption from the provisions of Article 34 and/or paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules attached to the Statutes,

1. Decides to recommend the General Assembly to renew the period of temporary exemption from the application of paragraph 13 to BOLIVIA, CAMBODIA, KAZAKHSTAN and PERU, considering the agreements that they are honouring and to IRAQ, in view of the communication received from that Member, as well as to the Affiliate Member Iraqi Airways; and



2. Also decides to recommend the Assembly to maintain the temporary exemption of EL SALVADOR and LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC from the provisions of paragraph 13, albeit making it clear that these provisions will be reapplied to these Members if they are not up to date in their payment plans by 1 January 2002;

Having taken cognizance of the communications received from the Full Members BOSNIA and HERZEGOVINA, BURKINA FASO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO, GEORGIA, GUINEA, KYRGYZSTAN, MALI, SIERRA LEONE and TOGO, submitting plans for the payment of their contribution arrears in instalments and requesting suspension of the application of the provisions of paragraph 13,

3. Decides furthermore to recommend the General Assembly to comply with the requests for temporary exemption from the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules as they apply to the Full Members and Affiliate Members listed below:

FULL MEMBERS

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA  
BURKINA FASO  
GEORGIA  
GUINEA  
IRAQ  
KYRGYZSTAN  
MALI  
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO  
SIERRA LEONE  
TOGO

AFFILIATE MEMBER

IRAQI AIRWAYS

4. Requests the Secretary-General to report to it at its sixty-eighth session on the fulfilment of the commitments undertaken by these Members, with a view to deciding whether to maintain the exemption or reapply the provisions of paragraph 13;

Having been informed of the request received from the Full Member YEMEN, which is seeking cancellation of the debt corresponding to the period 1979-1989,

Considering that the Statutes of the Organization do not make provisions for the cancellation of debts and that financial obligations are inherent in membership upon acceptance of the Statutes,

5. Decides to recommend the General Assembly to renew the temporary exemption granted to Yemen since it has respected its plan for the payment of its arrear contributions in instalments up to the present year, and to propose to this country that it submit a new plan for the payment of its arrear contributions for the period 1979-1989;
6. Decides to recommend the General Assembly to reapply the application of the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules to Nicaragua;

Having observed the list of Members currently subject to the measure of suspension provided for in Article 34 of the Statutes,

7. Notes that the following Members have accumulated arrears equal to or exceeding their contributions for four financial years and that, consequently, the measure of suspension provided for in Article 34 of the Statutes could be applicable to them within a year, in accordance with paragraph 1(b) of General Assembly resolution 217(VII):

#### FULL MEMBERS

EQUATORIAL GUINEA  
ZAMBIA

#### AFFILIATE MEMBERS

ALAMO RENT A CAR  
BELINTOURIST JOINT STOCK CO.  
CONSORCIO PARA EL DESARROLLO DE LA FORMACION  
OCUPACIONAL  
EGYPTIAN HOTELS, CO.  
FEDERACION ESPAÑOLA DE EMPRESAS DE CAMPING  
FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DES CADRES SUPERIEURS DE  
L'HOTELLERIE  
FRANK – TOURISM CONSULTANT INTERNATIONAL  
FUNDACAO PARA O DESENVOLVIMENTO TURISTICO DE FORTALEZA  
INFORMATION AND DECISION SUPPORT CENTRE (IDSC) (EGYPT)  
INFA – INSTITUT NATIONAL DE FORMATION DES ADULTES  
INTERNATIONAL BUENOS AIRES HOTEL AND RESTAURANT SCHOOL  
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CONVENTION MANAGEMENT  
INTOURIST HOLDING Co.  
KOREA TOURIST ASSOC.  
MEDITERRANEAN TRAVEL AND TOURISM AGENCY  
RDE -EMPREENDIMENTOS PUBLICITARIOS  
RUSSIAN ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL TOURISM (RAST)  
RUSSIAN HOTEL ASSOCIATION  
SALAM HOTELS  
SOCIETA INCREMENTO TURISTICO ALBERGHIERO VALDAOSTANO  
THE TOURISM PARTNERSHIP  
TOURISM HOTEL SECURITY WORLDWIDE MAGAZINE  
TRAVEL AGENT MAGAZINE (USA)

CE/DEC/8(LXVI)

**Assessment of Members' contributions for the period 2002-2003  
and possible adjustment to the budget for the same period**

Agenda item 7  
(documents CE/66/6(b), CE/66/7 and CE/66/7 Add.1)

The Executive Council,

Having considered the background document in which the budget for 2002-2003 is reappraised in compliance with the Secretary-General's proposal to employ, in the interest of caution, the average of the UN operational rate of exchange corresponding to the period January 2000 to September 2001, i.e. 1 dollar / 1.0976 euros,

1. Approves the Secretary-General's proposal and the revision of budgetary appropriations for the next period according to this rate of exchange;
2. Recommends the General Assembly to approve the budget of 20,818,000 euros for 2002-2003, i.e. 10,217,000 euros for 2002 and 10,601,000 euros for 2003; and
3. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the contributions of the Full, Associate and Affiliate Members are reassessed, taking into account the new amounts to be distributed among these Members on the basis of the revised budget.

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CE/DEC/9(LXVI)

**Report of the Programme Committee**

Agenda item 8  
(document CE/66/8)

The Executive Council,

Having considered the report of the Programme Committee submitted by its Chairperson Dr. Angelika Liedler (Austria),

1. Thanks her for it;
  2. Commends the Programme Committee and its Chairwoman for their intensive and diligent activity and for the valuable insights offered by their evaluation of the programme activities; and
  3. Proposes to include in the future Organization's Mission Statement that will be proposed by the Programme Committee, references to cultural impacts of tourism and the Global Code of Ethics for Tourism.
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CE/DEC/10(LXVI)

**Affiliate Members – WTO Business Council****(a) Report of the Sub-Committee for the Review of applications for affiliate membership**

Agenda item 9(a)  
(document CE/66/9(a))

The Executive Council,

Having considered the report of its Sub-Committee for the Review of applications for affiliate membership, which met on 24 September 2001,

1. Endorses the Sub-Committee's recommendations; and
2. Decides to submit to the fourteenth session of the General Assembly the following applications for affiliate membership:
  - 1) Comité départemental du tourisme du Var (France)
  - 2) Hesselmann & Associates (Germany)
  - 3) Nordtour Tourist Marketing North Sealand (Denmark)
  - 4) Vokrug Sveta Ltd (Belarus)

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CE/DEC/11(LXVI)**Affiliate Members – WTO Business Council****(b) Public-private relations**

Agenda item 9(b)  
(document CE/66/9(b))

The Executive Council,

Having considered the document on this subject presented by the sub Working Group of the Executive Council,

Endorses the proposals it contains concerning the strengthening of public-private relations.

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CE/DEC/12(LXVI)

**Report of the Executive Council to the General Assembly**

Agenda item 10  
(document A/14/7)

The Executive Council

Having considered the draft report on this subject,

Decides to submit it to the General Assembly.

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CE/DEC/13(LXVI)

**Place and date of the sixty-seventh session of the Council**

Agenda item 11

The Executive Council

Decides to hold its sixty-seventh session at Osaka, Japan on 29 September 2001 immediately after the closure of the fourteenth session of the General Assembly.

#### **4. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS**

The sixty-sixth session of the Executive Council was attended by:

- (1) delegates of the following Members of the Council: Angola, Argentina, Brazil, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Egypt, France, Italy, Mexico, Morocco, Namibia, Poland, Spain, Sri Lanka, Thailand and United Republic of Tanzania;
- (2) the representatives of the Associate Members: Macao, China and Flemish Community of Belgium;
- (3) the Chairman of the following Regional Commissions: Africa (Ethiopia), Europe (Switzerland) and Middle East (Jordan);
- (4) the representatives of the following member States: Andorra, Ecuador, Germany and Russian Federation, as observers;
- (5) the representative of Tuvalu, non-member State of the Organization, as observer; and
- (6) the Chairman of the Programme Committee (Austria).