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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Organization of the work of the session.
4. Review of developments pertaining to the promotion and protection of the rights of indigenous peoples, including their human rights and fundamental freedoms:
 - (a) General debate;
 - (b) Principal theme: “Indigenous peoples and the international and domestic protection of traditional knowledge”;
 - (c) Indigenous peoples and conflict prevention and resolution.
5. Standard-setting:
 - (a) Legal commentary on the concept of free, prior and informed consent;
 - (b) Review of the draft principles and guidelines on the protection of the heritage of indigenous peoples.

6. International Decade of the World's Indigenous People.
7. Other matters:
 - (a) Cooperation with other United Nations bodies;
 - (b) State of the Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations;
 - (c) The human rights situation of indigenous peoples in States and territories threatened with extinction for environmental reasons.
8. Presentation of elements for the conclusions and recommendations.
9. Adoption of the report.
