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## Annotations

#### **1.** Opening of the meeting

The meeting will be opened by the Chair of the Bureau for the eleventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

#### 2. Election of the Co-Chairs

The expert group may wish to elect the two nominated candidates, one representing the North and the other the South, as the Co-Chairs of the open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc expert group on the international arrangement on forests.

#### 3. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

The expert group may wish to consider and adopt its agenda and programme of work.

#### 4. Tasks of the expert group

In carrying out its tasks, the expert group will be guided by resolution 10/2 of the Forum, in which the Forum established an open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc expert group on the international arrangement on forests, tasked with reviewing the performance and effectiveness of the international arrangement within the context of Economic and Social Council resolutions 2000/35 and 2006/49 and the attainment of the multi-year programme of work of the Forum for the period 2007-2015. It will review the input provided by various stakeholders and the outcome of the independent assessment of the international arrangement, as explained in that resolution. On the basis of that review, it will propose a set of recommendations providing a strategic direction on the function and institutional arrangements of the international arrangement for the period beyond 2015 to the Forum at its eleventh session. In performing its mandate, it should also take into account the connection with and implications of the continuing deliberations on the sustainable development goals and the post-2015 United Nations development agenda. Pursuant to resolution 10/2, the expert group will hold no more than two meetings before the eleventh session of the Forum, subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources.

#### Documentation

Provisional agenda and annotations (E/CN.18/AEG/2014/1)

Note by the Secretariat on the international arrangement on forests (E/CN.18/AEG/2014/2)

Compilation of views and proposals from stakeholders on the international arrangement on forests (E/CN.18/AEG/2014/INF/1)

#### References

Resolutions 2000/35 and 2006/49 of the Economic and Social Council

Resolutions 7/1 and 10/2 of the Forum

## 5. Other matters

The expert group may wish to discuss and make recommendations on other matters relating to its work.

#### 6. Adoption of the report of the expert group on its first meeting

The expert group may wish to adopt its report, which should contain a summary by the Co-Chairs of the discussions and key outcomes of the meeting. It will be available to the expert group at its second meeting and included as a background document for the eleventh session of the Forum.

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