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**Programme questions: proposed programme budget
for the year 2020**

Proposed programme plan for 2020

Review of the proposed programme plan, by sectoral, functional and regional bodies

Note by the Secretariat

1. The Secretariat provides herewith information on the review of the proposed programme plan for 2020 by relevant sectoral, functional and regional bodies. An update has been made to programme 4, to reflect the agreement of the respective body on the proposed programme plan.
2. The annex provides an overview of action taken or planned by the relevant intergovernmental bodies. The relevant documents, when available, can be provided to the Committee for Programme and Coordination, as necessary.
3. During its fifty-ninth session, the Committee will be informed of any modifications to the proposed programme plan for 2020 resulting from decisions made by relevant intergovernmental bodies before the conclusion of the session.



Annex

Overview of action taken on the proposed programme plan for 2020 by relevant intergovernmental bodies and the Secretariat

<i>Programme and subprogramme</i>	<i>Sectoral, functional or regional body</i>	<i>Document</i>	<i>Comments</i>
1. General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	Committee on Conferences	—	The proposed programme plan was being finalized at the time of the organizational session on 24 April 2019. The Committee will hold its substantive session from 3 to 9 September 2019
2. Political affairs			
Subprogramme 4, Decolonization	Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples	—	The Special Committee will meet from 17 to 28 June 2019
Subprogramme 5, Question of Palestine	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People	—	The Bureau of the Committee will review the proposed programme plan at its next meeting, scheduled to be held before the end of July 2019
3. Disarmament	None	—	—
4. Peacekeeping operations	Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations	—	—
5. Peaceful uses of outer space	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space	A/AC.105/L.318/Add.7	The Committee, at its sixty-second session, from 12 to 21 June 2019, agreed on the proposed programme plan for 2020 and noted that the highlighted results better illustrated and facilitated understanding of the work of the Office
6. Legal affairs			
Subprogramme 3, Progressive development and codification of international law	International Law Commission	—	The Commission will hold its seventy-first session from 29 April to 7 June and from 8 July to 9 August 2019
Subprogramme 5, Progressive harmonization, modernization and unification of the law of international trade	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law	—	The Commission will hold its fifty-second session from 8 July to 19 July 2019

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7. Economic and social affairs			
Subprogramme 2, Inclusive social development	Commission for Social Development	E/2019/26-E/CN.5/2019/10	A representative of the subprogramme made a statement at the fifty-seventh session of the Commission on 14 February 2019
Subprogramme 4, Statistics	Statistical Commission	E/2019/24-E/CN.3/2019/34	The Commission, at its fiftieth session held from 5 to 8 March 2019, took note of the oral report presented by a representative of the subprogramme, including the current plans. It requested the Bureau to review substantively the programme proposals for 2020
Subprogramme 5, Population	Commission on Population and Development	E/2018/25-E/CN.9/2018/7	The Commission, at its fifty-first session held from 9 to 13 April 2018, heard statements by representatives of the subprogramme
Subprogramme 8, Sustainable forest management	United Nations Forum on Forests	E/2019/42-E/CN.18/2019/9	The Forum held its fourteenth session from 6 to 10 May 2019. No documentation on the proposed programme plan for 2020 was presented to the Forum as the Department's programme plan had yet to be finalized at the time. The report of the fourteenth session of the Forum includes a Chair's summary on item 10 of the Forum's agenda: Information on the reform of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs pertaining to the Forum
8. Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States	None	—	—
9. United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	None	—	—
10. Trade and development			

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Subprogrammes 1 to 5 (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))	Trade and Development Board, Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget	TD/B/WP(77)/CRP.1 TD/B/WP(77)/CRP.1/Rev.1 TD/B/WP/295	The Working Party reviewed the proposed programme plan for 2020 at its seventy-seventh session, held from 30 January to 1 February 2019, and requested the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to take full account of and reflect appropriately the comments and inputs provided by member States
Subprogramme 6, Operational aspects of trade promotion and export development (International Trade Centre)	Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/World Trade Organization	–	The Advisory Group will hold its fifty-third annual meeting on 2 July 2019
11. Environment	United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme	UNEP/EA.4/1	All substantive elements of the proposed programme plan for 2020 are derived from biennial programme of work and budget for 2020–2021. This was adopted at the fourth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly, held from 11 to 15 March 2019
12. Human settlements	United Nations Habitat Assembly (UN-Habitat Assembly) of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and the Executive Board of UN-Habitat	–	<p>The UN-Habitat Assembly will hold its first session from 27 to 31 May 2019. At its first session, the Assembly will establish an Executive Board with responsibility, inter alia, to review and approve the programme of work and budget of UN-Habitat. The Executive Board will consider the 2020 proposed programme of work and budget during its first substantive session in the autumn of 2019</p> <p>Pending review by the Executive Board, the proposed programme plan for 2020 was reviewed by the Subcommittee on Policy and Programme of Work of the Committee of the Permanent Representatives on 25 January 2019 and the budget component of the 2020 programme of work was reviewed on 13 February 2019 without recommending changes</p>

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13. International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and Commission on Narcotic Drugs	E/2018/30/Add.1 E/CN.15/2018/15/Add.1	At their joint reconvened sessions, held on 6 and 7 December 2018, the two commissions reviewed the proposed programme plan
14. Gender equality and the empowerment of women	Commission on the Status of Women	–	By its resolution 64/289 , the General Assembly established the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) as a composite entity to function as a secretariat and to carry out operational activities under a dual intergovernmental governance structure. Together with the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, which are part of the governance structure for both the normative functions and operational activities of UN-Women, the Commission on the Status of Women constitutes the governance structure for the normative support functions and provides normative policy advice to the entity, while the Executive Board of UN-Women constitutes the governance structure for the operational activities and provides operational policy guidance to the entity. The Commission will hold its sixty-fourth session from 9 to 20 March 2020
15. Economic and social development in Africa	Economic Commission for Africa Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development	E/ECA/CM/52/2	At its fifty-second session, held on 25 and 26 March 2019, the Conference endorsed the proposed programme plan for 2020
16. Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission	E/2019/39-ESCAP/75/35	At its 5th plenary meeting, on 31 May 2019, the Commission endorsed the proposed programme plan for 2020 (ESCAP/75/26) and took note of the supplementary information on the programme plan and performance information (ESCAP/75/INF/2/Rev.2).

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17. Economic development in Europe	Economic Commission for Europe, Executive Committee	ECE/EX/2018/7	At its 102nd meeting, on 14 December 2018, the Executive Committee reviewed and took note of the proposed programme plan for 2020
18. Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean	ECLAC resolution 728 (XXXVII)	The proposed programme plan for 2020 was submitted to, and adopted in its entirety by, the Commission at its thirty-seventh session, held in Havana from 7 to 11 May 2018.
19. Economic and social development in Western Asia	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	E/ESCWA/2015/EC.2/5	The Commission's Executive Committee reviewed the proposed programme plan for 2020 at its fifth meeting, held on 18 and 19 December 2018. The summary of the discussion is contained in paragraphs 45 to 50 of the report of the Committee meeting (E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/14/Report)
20. Human rights	Human Rights Council	—	The United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights shared the proposed programme plan with Member States at an informal briefing on 24 May 2019
21. International protection, durable solutions and assistance to refugees	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Standing Committee	EC/70/SC/CRP.8	At its seventy-fourth meeting, held from 5 to 7 March 2019, the Committee took note of the UNHCR programme and protection policy
22. Palestine refugees	None	—	—
23. Humanitarian assistance	None	—	—
24. Global communications	Committee on Information	—	No documentation on the proposed programme plan for 2020 was presented to the Committee
25. Management and support services	None	—	—
26. Internal oversight	None	—	—
27. Jointly financed activities	None	—	—
28. Safety and security	None	—	—