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Addendum

Annotations

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

The Economic and Social Council, in its decision 2011/259, entitled “Joint meetings of the reconvened sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice”, decided that, starting in 2011, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice would hold joint meetings during their reconvened sessions for the purpose of considering agenda items included in the operational segment of the agendas of both Commissions, with a view to providing integrated policy directives to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) on administrative, budgetary and strategic management issues. The Council also decided that the practice of holding back-to-back reconvened sessions of the Commissions would be continued to enable each Commission to consider, in separate meetings, agenda items included in the normative segment of its agenda.

In accordance with that decision, two meetings of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice will be held jointly with the Commission on Narcotic Drugs during their reconvened sessions in order to consider agenda item 4, on strategic management, budgetary and administrative questions. The remaining items on the agenda will be considered thereafter in separate meetings.

The discussion under agenda item 5, entitled “Thematic discussion on effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children”, pursuant to Economic and Social Council decisions 2020/230 and 2021/219, was scheduled to be held during the regular part of the thirtieth session of the Commission. However, at the 8th meeting of that session, on 19 May 2021, the Commission decided to postpone the consideration of the agenda item to the reconvened part of the thirtieth session owing to time constraints and to allow full consideration to be given to the theme of the discussion. Agenda item 5 will be considered by the Commission on 8 December 2021. This is reflected in the proposed organization of work contained in the annex to the present document.



Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda, addendum ([E/CN.15/2021/1/Add.1](#))

- 4. Strategic management, budgetary and administrative questions**
- (a) Work of the standing open-ended intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime**
- (b) Directives on policy and budgetary issues for the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme**
- (c) Working methods of the Commission**
- (d) Staff composition of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and other related matters**

Work of the standing open-ended intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

In its decision [2021/218](#), the Economic and Social Council decided to extend the mandate of the standing open-ended intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of UNODC until the reconvened sessions of the Commissions to be held in December 2021, at which time the Commissions should carry out a thorough review of the functioning of the working group and consider the extension of its mandate beyond 2021.

At its reconvened thirtieth session, the Commission will have before it for its consideration a note by the Secretariat on the work of the working group ([E/CN.7/2021/3/Add.1-E/CN.15/2021/3/Add.1](#)).

Budgetary issues

At its reconvened twenty-ninth session, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice adopted resolution 29/1, entitled “Implementation of the budget for the biennium 2020–2021 for the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Fund”. In the resolution, the Commission, inter alia, requested UNODC to continue to fully implement Commission resolution 28/4 and regularly report on the implementation thereof to the standing open-ended intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of the Office. In the same resolution, the Commission requested the Office to continue to report on the financial and governance impact of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) crisis and on the response of the Office to the crisis, and to present recommendations that may improve the response of the Office to potential future crises. The Commission also requested the Office to present suggestions for possible solutions to the budget shortfalls, including those deriving from the liquidity crisis under the regular budget, as well as information on any savings realized and any possible reallocation of resources. In addition, the Commission requested the Executive Director of the Office to present information on the financial implications of the long-term strategy for the Office, as well as information on potential reallocations to address those implications. These matters are being considered by the working group in the course of 2021.

At its reconvened thirtieth session, the Commission will have before it for its consideration the report of the Executive Director on the consolidated budget for the biennium 2022–2023 for UNODC ([E/CN.7/2021/11-E/CN.15/2021/18](#)) and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the consolidated budget for the biennium 2022–2023 for UNODC ([E/CN.7/2021/13-E/CN.15/2021/20](#)). The Commission is expected to review and approve the consolidated budget for the biennium 2022–2023 for UNODC.

The Commission will also have before it the proposed programme budget for the year 2023 for UNODC ([E/CN.7/2021/CRP.10-E/CN.15/2021/CRP.15](#)).

Human resources issues

In its resolution 28/4, the Commission requested UNODC, in line with Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations, to enhance its efforts, with a sense of urgency, to ensure the recruitment of staff on as wide a geographical basis as possible, in particular within the Professional and higher categories, including for field representatives, by, inter alia, intensifying its outreach efforts. In the same resolution, the Commission further requested UNODC to continue to include in such reporting, as well as in the dialogue within the standing open-ended intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of the Office, disaggregated data on the composition of staff by geographical area and gender, including the staff of the Division for Management and locally recruited staff, as well as updates on measures taken to improve the geographical distribution of, and ensure gender parity among, its staff, including a description of its internal and external recruitment processes, such as measures in place to ensure transparency. These matters are being considered by the working group in the course of 2021.

At its reconvened thirtieth session, the Commission will have before it for its consideration the report of the Executive Director on gender balance and geographical representation within UNODC ([E/CN.7/2021/12-E/CN.15/2021/19](#)).

The agenda item on strategic management, budgetary and administrative questions will be considered at the joint meetings with the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, pursuant to Council decision 2011/259.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on the work of the standing open-ended intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime ([E/CN.7/2021/3/Add.1-E/CN.15/2021/3/Add.1](#))

Report of the Executive Director on the consolidated budget for the biennium 2022–2023 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime ([E/CN.7/2021/11-E/CN.15/2021/18](#))

Report of the Executive Director on gender balance and geographical representation within the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime ([E/CN.7/2021/12-E/CN.15/2021/19](#))

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the consolidated budget for the biennium 2022–2023 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime ([E/CN.7/2021/13-E/CN.15/2021/20](#))

5. Thematic discussion on effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council decision 2020/230, the thematic discussion scheduled for the twenty-ninth session of the Commission, on the prominent theme “Effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children”, has been included in the provisional agenda of the thirtieth session of the Commission.

The extended Bureau, at its meeting on 11 November 2020, endorsed the Chair’s proposal not to have sub-themes for the discussion at the thirtieth session.

During the regular part of the thirtieth session, at its 8th meeting, on 19 May 2021, the Commission decided to postpone the consideration of agenda item 5 to the reconvened part of the thirtieth session owing to time constraints and to allow full consideration to be given to the theme of the discussion.

For its consideration of the item, the Commission will have before it the notes by the Secretariat containing the discussion guides for the thematic discussion ([E/CN.15/2020/6](#) and [E/CN.15/2021/6](#)).

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat containing the guide for the thematic discussion on effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children ([E/CN.15/2020/6](#))

Note by the Secretariat containing the additional guide for the thematic discussion on effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children ([E/CN.15/2021/6](#))

9. Follow-up to the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations for the Fifteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

At the regular part of its thirtieth session, in May 2021, the Commission recommended to the Economic and Social Council the approval of a draft resolution for adoption by the General Assembly entitled “Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice”, submitted by Japan, by which the Assembly would endorse the Kyoto Declaration on Advancing Crime Prevention, Criminal Justice and the Rule of Law: Towards the Achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as approved by the Commission. In paragraph 11 of that resolution, the Commission would be requested to hold intersessional thematic discussions to effectively follow up on the Kyoto Declaration through the sharing of information, good practices and lessons learned. The workplan for the discussions was adopted by the Commission by means of a silence procedure. The first such thematic discussion, focused on the first pillar of the Kyoto Declaration, on advancing crime prevention, is scheduled to be held from 10 to 12 November 2021.

The reconvened thirtieth session will provide the opportunity for delegations to take stock of the first intersessional thematic discussions and discuss other action aimed at advancing the implementation of the Kyoto Declaration.

The session will also provide the opportunity for Member States to express formal interest in hosting the Fifteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and to discuss early preparations for the Congress.

10. Contributions by the Commission to the work of the Economic and Social Council, in line with General Assembly resolution 72/305, including follow-up to and review and implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

At its twenty-fourth session, in May 2015, the Commission decided to include a standing item on its agenda focusing on its contributions to the work of the Economic and Social Council, in line with General Assembly resolution [68/1](#). Pursuant to that resolution, the Council is expected to, inter alia, ensure the harmonization and coordination of the agendas and work programmes of the functional commissions by promoting a clearer division of labour among them and providing clear policy guidance to them. In accordance with that resolution, the Commission has been contributing, as appropriate, to the work of the Council relating to the common themes of the annual framework of the Council.

In September 2015, by its resolution [70/1](#), entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, the General Assembly adopted the outcome document of the United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda. In that outcome document, Heads of State and Government and High Representatives envisaged that thematic reviews of progress on the Sustainable Development Goals, including cross-cutting issues, would take place at the high-level

political forum on sustainable development and that those reviews would be supported by reviews by the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council and other intergovernmental bodies and forums.

In its resolution [72/305](#), on the review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution [68/1](#) on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, the Assembly requested the Council to improve its outcomes and the outcomes of its subsidiary bodies, making them more relevant, coherent and solution-oriented to address implementation challenges and ensuring their follow-up so as to strengthen the impact of the work of the Council.

In its resolution [74/298](#), the General Assembly decided to conduct the review of its resolution [72/305](#), on the review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution [68/1](#) on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, during its seventy-fifth session. The Commission submitted substantive input to the high-level political forum on sustainable development held under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council in New York from 6 to 15 July 2021, with the thematic focus “Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic that promotes the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development: building an inclusive and effective path for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development”. The Commission also contributed to the integration segment of the 2021 session of the Council, held on 2 July 2021.

On 25 June 2021, the General Assembly adopted resolutions [75/290 A](#) and [B](#), entitled “Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution [72/305](#) on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, and review of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions [67/290](#) on the format and organizational aspects of the high-level political forum on sustainable development and [70/299](#) on the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level”. In its resolution [75/290 A](#), the Assembly adopted an annex on the review of the Economic and Social Council, and called upon the Council, its subsidiary bodies and other relevant bodies and platforms of the United Nations system to implement the provisions contained therein in an expeditious manner, and also decided that all mandates contained in resolution [72/305](#) and all previous related resolutions on strengthening the Economic and Social Council would remain in effect unless updated or replaced in that resolution or subsequent resolutions of the General Assembly and that the mandates contained in the resolution and its annex should be implemented starting with the 2021–2022 cycle of the Council and its preparations. More information on the content of the annex, insofar as it relates to the work of the Commission, will be made available to the Commission at its reconvened thirtieth session.

In resolution [75/290 B](#), the Assembly decided, inter alia, that the theme for the high-level political forum to be held in 2022 would be “Building back better from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” and that the Sustainable Development Goals to be reviewed in depth in 2022 would be Goals 4, 5, 14, 15 and 17. It also decided that the high-level political forum should take into account the different and particular impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic across all Sustainable Development Goals.

The Commission may wish to use its reconvened thirtieth session to further consider how it can best contribute to the follow-up to, and support the review of, the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, within its mandates, as well as how to further enhance synergies between its work and that of other functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

11. Provisional agenda for the thirty-first session of the Commission

Under agenda item 11, the Commission may wish to consider possible topics for thematic discussions to be held in the coming years.

12. Other business

No issues to be raised under item 12 have come to the attention of the Secretariat.

13. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its thirtieth session

Under agenda item 13, the Commission is expected to adopt the report on its reconvened thirtieth session.

Opening of the thirty-first session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and election of officers

Pursuant to rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the officers of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice hold office until their successors are elected, and they are eligible for re-election.

In its resolution 2003/31, the Economic and Social Council decided that, with effect from 2004, the Commission should, at the end of each session, elect its Bureau for the subsequent session and encourage it to play an active role in the preparations for both the regular and the informal intersessional meetings of the Commission, so as to enable the Commission to provide continuous and effective policy guidance to the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme.

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/31 and rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions, the Commission is invited to open, at the end of its reconvened thirtieth session, on 10 December 2021, its thirty-first session for the sole purpose of electing the Chair, three Vice-Chairs and the Rapporteur for that session.

In view of the established practice of rotating the offices on the basis of regional distribution, the officers to be elected by the Commission for its thirty-first session will be from the regional groups as follows:

Chair: Asia-Pacific States

First Vice-Chair: African States

Second Vice-Chair: Eastern European States

Third Vice-Chair: Latin American and Caribbean States

Rapporteur: Western European and other States

In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/31, the Chairs of the five regional groups, the Chair of the Group of 77 and China and the representative of or observer for the State holding the Presidency of the European Union will be invited to participate in meetings of the Bureau, thus constituting, together with the elected officers, the extended Bureau.

Annex

Proposed organization of work

The proposed organization of work is subject to approval by the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice. As soon as discussion on an item or sub-item has been concluded, the following one will be taken up, time permitting. Suggested meeting times are from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 8 December and Thursday, 9 December, and from 3 to 5 p.m. on Friday, 10 December 2021.

It is difficult to anticipate at this stage how the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) situation will affect the format of the meetings. The Commission will continue to discuss and explore, through its extended Bureau, the possible modalities for the conduct of the December meeting on the basis of further developments with regard to the COVID-19 situation, also bearing in mind the relevant guidance received from the Crisis Management Team at the Vienna International Centre.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
Wednesday, 8 December	11 a.m.–1 p.m.		Opening of the reconvened thirtieth session of the Commission
		2	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (<i>continued</i>)
		5	Thematic discussion on effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children (<i>continued</i>)
	3–5 p.m.	5	Thematic discussion on effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children (<i>continued</i>)
Thursday, 9 December	11 a.m.–1 p.m.	2	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (<i>continued</i>)
		4	Strategic management, budgetary and administrative questions (<i>continued</i>) (<i>joint meeting</i>)
	3–5 p.m.	4	Strategic management, budgetary and administrative questions (<i>continued</i>) (<i>joint meeting</i>)
Friday, 10 December	3–5 p.m.	4	Strategic management, budgetary and administrative questions (<i>continued</i>)
		9	Follow-up to the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations for the Fifteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (<i>continued</i>)
		10	Contributions by the Commission to the work of the Economic and Social Council, in line with General Assembly resolution 72/305 , including follow-up to and review and implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (<i>continued</i>)
		11	Provisional agenda for the thirty-first session of the Commission (<i>continued</i>)
		12	Other business (<i>continued</i>)
		13	Adoption of the report of the Commission on its thirtieth session (<i>continued</i>)