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Provisional agenda, annotations and provisional timetable

Addendum

Annotations

A. Substantive items

9. Administrative and budgetary questions.

In its resolution 13 (XXXVI), the Commission on Narcotic Drugs established a budget cycle for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP) and a methodology that it would follow in its consideration of budgetary matters. That methodology was revised by the Commission in its resolutions 7 (XL) and 8 (XL), in which it adopted budget proposals in line with the harmonized budget model followed also by the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (now called the United Nations Population Fund). According to the budget cycle and revised methodology, the Commission approves the final budget for the current biennium and the initial budget for the next biennium for the Fund of UNDCP at its reconvened session, held in December of odd-numbered years. At its session held in the first half of odd-numbered years, the Commission reviews and approves the revised biennial programme and support budget for the current biennium and the proposed outline for the budget of the Fund for the next biennium.

In its resolution 46/10 of 15 April 2003, the Commission approved the revised budget for the biennium 2002-2003 and the outline for the biennium 2004-2005 for the Fund of UNDCP.

At its reconvened forty-sixth session, the Commission is expected to review and approve the final budget for the biennium 2002-2003 and the initial budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for the Fund of UNDCP.



For its consideration of item 9, the Commission will have before it the report of the Executive Director on the proposed final budget for the biennium 2002-2003 and initial budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (E/CN.7/2003/20 and Add.1), together with the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed final budget for the biennium 2002-2003 and the proposed initial budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (E/CN.7/2003/21).

Documentation

Report of the Executive Director on the consolidated budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (E/CN.7/2003/20 and Add.1)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed final budget for the biennium 2002-2003 and the proposed initial budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (E/CN.7/2003/21)

B. Organizational and other matters

15. Provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission

In its decision 2001/243, the Economic and Social Council decided that the Commission should meet for a period not exceeding five working days at its forty-fifth session with a view to reviewing the duration of subsequent sessions. The forty-fifth session was held for a duration of five days. In its resolution 45/7, the Commission decided that the ministerial segment of its forty-sixth session should be held for a period of two days, which, as an exception should be added to the six days scheduled for its regular session. The Commission is invited to consider the duration of its subsequent sessions, starting with its forty-seventh session, to be held in 2004, taking into consideration its experiences in organizing sessions of five days' duration (its forty-fifth session), six days' duration (its forty-sixth session) and eight days' duration (sessions held prior to its forty-fifth session).

16. Other business

No issues that need to be raised under item 16 have come to the attention of the Secretariat and no documentation on the item is currently foreseen.

17. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-sixth session

It is expected that the Commission will adopt the report on its reconvened forty-sixth session by the afternoon of the last day of the session.

Opening of the forty-seventh session of the Commission and election of officers

In accordance with rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, officers of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs will hold office until their successors are elected and will be eligible for re-election.

As regards the arrangements for the election of the bureau of the Commission, in section I of its resolution 1999/30, the Economic and Social Council decided that, with effect from the year 2000, the Commission should, at the end of its session, elect its bureau for the subsequent session and encourage it to play an active role in the preparations of the regular as well as the intersessional meetings of the Commission, so as to enable the Commission to provide continuous and effective policy guidance to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme.

In accordance with section I of Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/30 and rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions, the Commission, at the end of its reconvened forty-sixth session, on 28 November 2003, is invited to hold the first meeting of its forty-seventh session to elect a Chairman, three Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur for its forty-seventh session. In view of the rotation of offices based on regional distribution, the officers to be elected by the Commission will be from the following regional groups:

<i>Office</i>	<i>Regional group</i>
Chairman	Group of African States
First Vice-Chairman	Group of Asian States
Second Vice-Chairman	Group of Eastern European States
Third Vice-Chairman	Group of Western European and Other States
Rapporteur	Group of Latin American and Caribbean States

A group composed of the five chairmen of the regional groups will be established to assist the Chairman in dealing with organizational matters. That group, together with the elected officers, will constitute the extended bureau foreseen in Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39.

Annex

Provisional timetable

The timetable shown below is subject to approval by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs. As soon as discussion on an item has been finished, the following one will be taken up, time permitting. Suggested meeting times are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Reconvened forty-sixth session, 26-28 November 2003

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
Wednesday, 26 November	10 a.m.-1 p.m.		Opening of the reconvened forty-sixth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs
		9	Administrative and budgetary questions
	3-6 p.m.	9	Administrative and budgetary questions (continued)
Thursday, 27 November	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	9	Administrative and budgetary questions (continued)
	3-6 p.m.	9	Administrative and budgetary questions (concluded)
Friday, 28 November	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	15	Provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission
		16	Other business
	3-6 p.m.	17	Adoption of the report of the Commission on its reconvened forty-sixth session Opening of the forty-seventh session of the Commission and election of officers