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Item 4 of the provisional agenda

#### ORGANIZATION OF WORK

##### Note by the Executive Secretary

1. The fourteenth session of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia will be held in the Conference Hall at the Commission's headquarters in Baghdad from 31 March to 5 April 1987. Meetings of the fifth session of the Commission's Technical Committee will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 31 March and will continue through Thursday 2 April. The formal opening of the Commission's fourteenth session, to be held at the ministerial level, will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday 4 April, and the session will conclude its work on 5 April. The Commission may decide to curtail or extend the duration of its session, with due regard for the financial implications of any extension.

##### Opening of the session

2. The inaugural meeting of the session at the ministerial level will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday 4 April. The Chairman of the Commission's thirteenth session, or his representative, will preside pending the election of a chairman for the fourteenth session. The inaugural meeting will be held under the patronage of His Excellency Mr. Taha Yassin Ramadhan, Member of the Revolution Command Council and First Deputy Prime Minister of Iraq.

3. A closed, informal meeting, restricted to heads of delegation and attended by the Executive Secretary, his Deputy, the Secretary of the Commission and the Chief of the Programme Planning and Co-ordination Unit, will be held in the Committee Room directly following the inaugural meeting in order to discuss matters relating to the session.

##### Organization of the work of the session

4. The Commission may decide to complete its consideration of the procedural items on the provisional agenda (items 1-5) at a meeting to be held immediately after the closed meeting in order to make optimum use of the time remaining by giving its full attention to substantive items at the meeting next following, to be scheduled as the Commission may determine.

5. After consideration of all other items on the agenda, the Commission may decide to suspend the final meeting of its session in order to enable the Rapporteur to complete the draft report of the Commission to the Economic and Social Council prior to its consideration for adoption.