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29-31 May 1994
Amman

Item 4 of the provisional agenda

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Note by the Executive Secretary

Sunday, 29 May 1994

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| 1000 - 1100 hours | <u>Item 1</u> | Opening of the session. |
| 1100 - 1130 hours | | Closed session of heads of delegations to discuss organizational questions. |
| 1130 - 1200 hours | <u>Item 2</u> | Election of officers. |
| | <u>Item 3</u> | Adoption of the agenda. |
| | <u>Item 4</u> | Organization of work. |
| | <u>Item 5</u> | Invitation to States Members of the United Nations or of the specialized agencies not members of the Commission to participate in a consultative capacity in the seventeenth session of the Commission. |
| 1200 - 1230 hours | | Recess. |
| 1230 - 1330 hours | <u>Item 6</u> | Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission: |
| | (a) | Progress made in the implementation of the programme of work for the biennium 1992-1993. |
| 1600 - 1800 hours | (b) | Follow-up action on the resolutions of the Commission adopted at its sixteenth session: |
| | (i) | Resolution 179 (XVI) on setting up a statistics committee within the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia; |
| | (ii) | Resolution 180 (XVI) on regional cooperation and coordination in the field of environment and sustainable development; |
| | (iii) | Resolution 181 (XVI) on support for the Regional Household Survey Project in the ESCWA countries; |
| | (iv) | Resolution 182 (XVI) on the Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Decade for Western Asia (1994-2003); |
| | (v) | Resolution 183 (XVI) on the reconstruction of Lebanon; |
| | (vi) | Resolution 184 (XVI) on the economic and social conditions of the Palestinian Arab people in the occupied Palestinian territories; |

- (vii) Resolution 185 (XVI) on economic and social conditions of the Syrian people under Israeli occupation in the occupied Syrian Golan.

1800 - 1830 hours

Recess.

1830 - 1930 hours

Item 6 (continued): Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission:

- (c) Follow-up action at the regional level on United Nations world conferences and ESCWA regional meetings;
- (d) Cooperation among developing countries and regional organizations.

Item 7 Financial status of the Commission's programmes.

Monday, 30 May 1994

0900 - 1000 hours

Item 8 Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic and social fields: restructuring of ESCWA programmes.

1000 - 1100 hours

Item 9 Revised medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997; second revision.

1100 - 1130 hours

Recess.

1130 - 1230 hours

Item 10 Draft revision of the programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1994-1995.

1230 - 1300 hours

Item 11 Proposed outline of the programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1996-1997.

1300 - 1330 hours

Item 12 Designation of sectoral focal points.

1600 - 1630 hours

Item 14 Current issues of importance to the ESCWA region: methods of strengthening mechanisms and techniques of activating intraregional trade among the States members of the Commission.

1630 - 1700 hours

Item 15 Adoption of the final report of the Technical Committee on its eighth session.

1700 - 1730 hours

Recess.

1730 - 1900 hours Item 13 The permanent headquarters of the Commission (Resolution 192 (XVI) on the permanent headquarters of the Commission).

Closed session.

1900 - 1930 hours Item 16 Date, venue and provisional agenda of the eighteenth session of the Commission.

Item 17 Other matters.

1930 - 2030 hours Introduction of draft resolutions.

Tuesday, 31 May 1994

1130 - 1300 hours Item 18 Adoption of the report of the Commission on its seventeenth session.

1300 - 1330 hours Conclusion of the work of the session.