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AGENDA

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12. Designating the sessions of the Commission as the forum for a biennial pledging conference: resolution 236 (XXI).
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15. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twenty-second session.