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**INVITATION TO STATES MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND/OR OF
THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES NOT MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CAPACITY OF OBSERVER IN THE
TWENTY-SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMISSION**

Note by the Executive Secretary

1. Pursuant to rule 63 of the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, the Commission may invite any Member of the United Nations or of a specialized agency that is not a member of the Commission to participate in its deliberations on any matter which the Commission considers to be of particular concern to that State. A State thus invited shall not have the right to vote, but may submit proposals which may be put to the vote at the request of any member of the Commission.
2. The Executive Secretary receives requests from Governments that wish to participate in the work of the twenty-second session of the Commission in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned rule.
3. She then submits such requests to the Commission for consideration and for a decision on the invitations that should be issued.
