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Item 4 of the provisional agenda

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Monday, 14 April 2003

9 - 10 a.m. Registration of participants. 10 - 11 a.m. Item 1 Opening of the twenty-second session. 11 - 11.30 a.m. Closed session for heads of delegations in order to discuss organizational matters. 11.30 a.m. - noon Item 2 Election of officers. Item 3 Adoption of the agenda. Item 4 Proposed organization of work. Item 5 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.

Noon - 2.30 p.m. <u>Item 9 (a)</u> The impact of the lack of stability in the Western Asia region on economic and social development.

4.30 - 6 p.m. <u>Item 8</u> Adoption of the Agreement on International Railways in the Arab Mashreq.

Tuesday, 15 April 2003

9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission: general review.

<u>Item 7</u> General debate: summary of the issues of which the

twenty-second session is seized.

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<u>Item 6</u> (continued) Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the

Commission.

2.30 - 6 p.m. <u>Item 6 (continued)</u> Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the

Commission.

Wednesday, 16 April 2003

9 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. <u>Item 9 (b)</u> The strengthening of Arab regional cooperation.

<u>Item 10</u> Draft programme of work and priorities for the biennium

2004-2005.

<u>Item 11</u> The role of ESCWA in coordinating regional activities of

the United Nations system.

<u>Item 12</u> Designating the sessions of the Commission as the forum

for a biennial pledging conference: resolution 236 (XXI).

<u>Item 13</u> Time and venue of the twenty-third session of the

Commission.

Item 14 Other business.

12.30 - 3.30 p.m. Closed session for heads of delegations.

Thursday, 17 April 2003

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. <u>Item 15</u> Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twenty-

second session.

Note: If the discussion of an agenda item is concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward for discussion.