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Annotations

1. Election of officers

In accordance with rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, each year, at the commencement of its first meeting, the Committee elects its Chair and four Vice-Chairs. In accordance with rule 19, Bureau members are eligible for re-election. One Vice-Chair is later designated also to serve as Rapporteur.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

In accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Council, the Committee, at the beginning of each session, after the election of its officers, adopts the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda. The provisional agenda for the current session was approved by the Council in its decision 2022/308.

3. Applications for consultative status with the Council and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

(a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee

The Committee will consider applications and requests for reclassification deferred from the sessions of previous years.

Documentation

Applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held during the period 2008–2021 (E/C.2/2022/CRP.1).

(b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification

The Committee will consider new applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification from non-governmental organizations and will act thereon.

Documentation

New applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: memorandums by the Secretary-General ([E/C.2/2022/R.2](#) and [E/C.2/2022/R.2/Add.1–21](#)).

No new requests for reclassification have been received.

(c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status

The Committee will consider applications from non-governmental organizations in consultative status that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.

Documentation

No new applications have been received.

4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

- (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status**
- (b) New quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status**

In accordance with Council resolution 1996/31, organizations in consultative status with the Council are required to submit, every fourth year, a report on their activities relating to, or in support of, the United Nations. The Committee will consider deferred quadrennial reports (2006–2021) and quadrennial reports submitted for the period 2017–2020.

Documentation

Compilation of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions (E/C.2/2022/CRP.2).

Quadrennial reports for the period 2017–2020: notes by the Secretary-General (E/C.2/2022/2, E/C.2/2022/2/Add.1–5 and E/C.2/2022/CRP.5–39).

5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch

The Secretariat will report orally on the item.

6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304

In its resolution 72/305, the General Assembly invited the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to examine in a timely manner how it could accommodate effectively the growing number of applications of non-governmental organizations for consultative status, in line with its mandate set out in Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996.

- (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations**
- (b) Issues on the agenda of the informal working group**

At its 2000 session, the Committee established an informal working group, open to all members of the Committee, to review its methods of work, including accreditation issues, procedures, coordination with the secretariat of the Commission on Human Rights, enhancement of the non-governmental organizations information process and security issues. At its 2019 resumed session, the Committee established an informal working group to consider proposals regarding the screening of applications and to make specific proposals to the Committee, in consultation with the Secretariat, for the implementation of the screening of applications for consultative status against the United Nations Security Council Consolidated List. At its regular session for 2020, following a recommendation by the informal working group, the Committee decided to amend the application questionnaire to include screening questions aimed at establishing whether organizations applying for consultative status, members of their executive or governing bodies or members or participating entities other than

individuals were included in the Consolidated List or funded by individuals or entities therein.

(c) Other related matters

Organizations requesting a change of name.

Organizations requesting the withdrawal of status owing to the dissolution of the organization.

Documentation

Compilation of requests for a change of name received by the Secretariat (E/C.2/2022/CRP.3).

7. Special reports

The Committee has before it a letter dated 4 January 2021 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations, regarding nine organizations in consultative status with the Council and the responses provided by those organizations in answer to questions posed by the Committee.

8. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network

In its decision 2002/225, the Council established the general voluntary trust fund and requested the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch to identify and obtain the necessary financial, human and technical resources needed to carry out, in partnership with non-governmental organizations, Governments and other interested stakeholders, the development projects envisaged in the future framework of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.

The Secretariat will report orally thereon.

9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2023 session of the Committee

In its resolution [1894 \(LVII\)](#), the Council requested the Secretary-General to submit at each session of a subsidiary body of the Council, a draft provisional agenda for its following session, together with information relating to documentation.

10. Adoption of the report of the Committee

The Committee is required to report to the Council on its 2022 session.
