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Preparations for the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Draft decision**

Draft provisional organization of work for the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The open-ended preparatory meeting, convened during the twelfth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development:

(a) Recommends that the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, to be held in Port Louis, Mauritius, from 30 August to 3 September 2004, consider the following provisional organization of work (see annex for timetable):

Plenary

The plenary will start with the opening of the International Meeting. It will proceed to the consideration of organizational matters, as required, including the election of the President and other officers, the adoption of the agenda and organization of work, and the report of the Credentials Committee.

Main Committee

The Main Committee will meet in parallel with the plenary to consider all outstanding matters relating to the draft outcome documents of the International Meeting.

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** Submitted by the Bureau of the Commission on Sustainable Development on the basis of informal consultations.

General debate and special events

The general debate will be held during the plenary, and will focus on a comprehensive review of the implementation of the Programme of Action.

Three special events, in the form of panel discussions, will be organized in the plenary, focusing on the environmental, social and economic vulnerabilities of small island developing States.

High-level segment

The high-level segment will be convened on 2 and 3 September 2004. Representatives of non-State entities, including intergovernmental organizations, United Nations bodies, funds and programmes and specialized agencies, and major groups at the appropriate level will be invited to speak during the general debate.

(b) Recognizing the need for further work on the draft outcome documents, decides, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 58/213, that informal consultations should be organized on 28 and 29 August 2004 to facilitate continuing negotiations;

(c) Notes that, in conjunction with the International Meeting, the host Government will make arrangements for ceremonies preceding the official opening and following the official closing of the International Meeting.

Annex

Provisional organization of work

	<i>Saturday, 28 August</i>	<i>Sunday, 29 August</i>	<i>Monday, 30 August</i>	<i>Tuesday, 31 August</i>	<i>Wednesday, 1 September</i>	<i>Thursday, 2 September</i>	<i>Friday, 3 September</i>
8-10 a.m.	Regional groups					Alliance of Small Island States summit	
10 a.m.- 1 p. m.	Informal consultations	Informal consultations	Opening of the International Meeting	Main Committee and plenary discussions	Main Committee and plenary discussions	Opening of the high-level segment	High-level segment and closing of the International Meeting
1.15- 2.45 p.m.	Side events						
3-6 p.m.	Informal consultations	Informal consultations	Main Committee and plenary discussions	Main Committee	Main Committee	High-level segment and Main Committee	
6.30- 7.45 p.m.	Side events						