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**MANAGEMENT ISSUES****STREAMLINING THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION**

This sub-item, entitled “Streamlining the work of the Commission”, comprises three issues. The first is related to the lessons learned from the evaluation of 8 sessions of the Commissions and its subsidiary bodies, held between February 2008 and December 2009, and is presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/26/6(Part I)/A. The second is related to the proposal to upgrade the Centre for Women (subprogramme 6) in ESCWA to a division, as other subprogrammes at ESCWA, and will be presented in document E/ESCWA/26/6(Part I)/B. The third is related to the proposal to upgrade the Section for Emerging and Conflict-Related Issues (subprogramme 7) to a division, as other subprogrammes at ESCWA and establish an intergovernmental committee concerned with emerging issues and development in times of crises, and it will be presented in document E/ESCWA/26/6(Part I)/C.

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