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**VIEWS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES ON THE WORK OF ESCWA:  
SUCCESES AND AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT**

With a view to promoting cooperation and coordination between the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) and member countries, strengthening the exchange of expertise and information to benefit from and mainstream successful experiences, enhancing ESCWA services to member countries, implementing activities tailored to their development needs, and therefore increase the efficiency of ESCWA work and achieve the desired outcomes, the Technical Committee has included this item in its agenda since its fourth meeting in order to examine the views of member countries on the work of ESCWA. Under this item, member countries shall focus on strengths and weaknesses of ESCWA performance and offer proposals for improvement.

In the two previous meetings of the Technical Committee, the representatives of Bahrain, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, and the Sudan presented the views of their respective countries on ESCWA work. In this meeting, the views of Kuwait and Oman will be presented.

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