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Annotations

1. Opening of the session

The ninth session of the Committee will be opened by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights or his representative.

2. Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee

In accordance with rule 11 of the rules of procedure, upon assuming their duties, the newly elected members of the Committee shall make the following solemn declaration:

I solemnly declare that I shall perform my duties and exercise my powers as a member of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances independently, objectively, honourably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously.

3. Election of officers

In accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure, the Committee shall elect from among its members a Chair, three Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur, with due regard to equitable geographical representation. In electing its officers, the Committee shall also give consideration to appropriate gender balance and, to the extent possible, rotation among members.

4. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with rule 8 of the rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda for any session shall be the adoption of the agenda, except for the election of the officers. Under this item, the Committee will consider and adopt the agenda for its ninth session.

5. Minute of silence in remembrance of victims of enforced disappearances

The Committee will hold a minute of silence in remembrance of victims of enforced disappearance.

6. Information received by the Committee

The Committee will consider any information received in relation to articles 33 and 34 of the Convention.

7. Matters relating to the Committee's methods of work

(a) Methods of work relating to articles 31–34 of the Convention

The Committee will continue to develop a methodology and working procedures for the implementation of articles 31–34 of the Convention.

(b) Strategy for ratifying the Convention

The Committee will examine the rate at which the Convention is being ratified and discuss strategies to encourage both ratification of the Convention and acceptance of the competence of the Committee under articles 31 and 32 of the Convention.

(c) Other matters

The Committee will discuss any other matters relating to its methods of work.

8. Consideration of reports of States parties to the Convention

The Committee will consider the reports of Iraq and Montenegro, submitted pursuant to article 29 (1) of the Convention.

Tentative timetable for the consideration of reports:

Iraq (CED/C/IRQ/1): Monday, 7 September 2015 (afternoon) and Tuesday, 8 September 2015 (morning);

Montenegro (CED/C/MNE/1): Tuesday, 8 September 2015 (afternoon) and Wednesday, 9 September 2015 (morning).

In accordance with rule 51 of the rules of procedure, the Committee, through the Secretary-General, has informed the States parties concerned of the dates on which their respective reports are scheduled to be considered.

9. Follow-up to concluding observations on States party reports

The Committee will review information received from Argentina, Germany, the Netherlands and Spain in follow-up to its concluding observations.

10. Consideration of lists of issues

The Committee will examine and adopt lists of issues in relation to the reports submitted by Burkina Faso (CED/C/BFA/1), Kazakhstan (CED/C/KAZ/1) and Tunisia (CED/C/TUN/1), pursuant to article 29 (1) of the Convention.

11. Consideration of requests for urgent action (art. 30 of the Convention)

The special rapporteur appointed to consider urgent action requests under article 30 of the Convention will inform the Committee on requests received and the follow-up actions taken since the previous session.

12. Consideration of individual communications (art. 31 of the Convention)

The Committee will examine individual communications pursuant to article 31 of the Convention.

13. Meeting with States Members of the United Nations

The Committee will hold a meeting with States parties to the Convention, States signatories to the Convention and other States Members of the United Nations to discuss relevant topics under the Convention.

14. Meeting with United Nations agencies and mechanisms and intergovernmental organizations

The Committee will meet with United Nations agencies and mechanisms, and intergovernmental organizations that work on issues related to enforced disappearance.

15. Annual meeting with the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances

The Committee will hold its annual meeting with the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances with a view to maintaining strong and effective cooperation between the two mechanisms, avoiding duplication of duties, achieving the common goal

of eradicating the practice of enforced disappearances and ensuring the right to truth, justice and reparation for victims.

16. Meeting with national human rights institutions

The Committee will hold a meeting with national human rights institutions on matters relating to the implementation of the Convention.

17. Meeting with non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders

The Committee will hold a meeting with non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders on matters relating to the implementation of the Convention.

18. Provisional agenda of the tenth session

The Committee will discuss the provisional agenda for its tenth session, to be held from 7 to 18 March 2016.

19. Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 68/268

Under this item, the Committee will discuss issues relating to the implementation of General Assembly resolution 68/268 on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system.
