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Beirut, 14-17 November 2000

Item 4 of the provisional agenda

**PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK**Tuesday, 14 November 2000

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| 2.00 - 2.15 p.m. | Opening of the session<br>Election of officers<br>Adoption of the agenda<br>Proposed organization of work  |
| 2.15 - 2.45 p.m. | Progress made in the implementation of the programmes of work for the bienniums 1998-1999 and 2000-2001 and achievements of the Energy, Natural Resources and Environment Division in the field of water resources   |
| 2.45 - 3 p.m.    | Information of the Committee concerning the draft general orientations for the programme of work for the biennium 2002-2003 in the field of water resources  |
| 3 - 3.15 p.m.    | Brief presentation of the work and recommendations of international and regional conferences and training workshops held during the period 1999-2000 as they relate to water resources   |
| 3.15 - 3.30 p.m. | Break  |
| 3.30 - 3.45 p.m. | Brief presentation of the recommendations of the Expert Group Meeting on Legal Aspects of the Management of Shared Water Resources in the Region, held at Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt, on 8 to 11 June 2000, and progress made in the implementation of those recommendations |
| 3.45 - 4.30 p.m. | Presentation and discussion of the ESCWA proposal concerning the formation of specialized working groups on water-related issues of importance to the ESCWA region   |

Wednesday, 15 November 2000

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| 2.30 - 3.30 p.m. | Continuation of the discussion of the ESCWA proposal concerning the formation of specialized working groups on water-related issues of importance to the ESCWA region |
| 3.30 - 4.00 p.m. | Presentation of the report of the regional adviser on water resources on the water situation in the ESCWA countries   |

Thursday, 16 November 2000

2.30 - 3.00 p.m.                      Brief presentation of the progress of work on the joint ESCWA/BGR (Federal Institute for Geosciences and Natural Resources of Germany) project entitled "Advisory services to ESCWA and the ESCWA member countries" for the water programme in the ESCWA region, with particular attention to subregional cooperation in the field of shared ground water

3.00 - 4.00 p.m.                      Adoption of recommendations

Friday, 17 November 2000

1.30 - 2.30 p.m.                      Adoption of the report of the Committee on its fourth session