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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Note by the Secretary-General: In accordance with Rules 4 and 5 of the Rules of Procedure of the Functional Commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the Secretary-General has the honour to state that the fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will open at Lake Success, New York, at 11.00 a.m. on Monday, 23 April 1951 and to communicate herewith the provisional agenda for that session. An annotated list of relevant documents on each agenda item is annexed.

1. Election of Officers
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Political Rights of Women
 - (a) Report of the Secretary-General relating to political rights of women (Economic and Social Council resolution 120 A (VI); and Report of the Fourth Session of the Commission, document E/1712, paragraph 25)
 - (b) Consideration of a draft convention on political rights of women (Economic and Social Council resolution 304 B (XI); and E/1712, paragraph 25)
 - (c) Study of information on programmes of political education for women (Economic and Social Council resolution 304 C (XI); and E/1712, paragraph 30)
 - (d) Information concerning the status of women in Trust and non-self-governing territories (E/1712, paragraphs 25 and 42)
4. The status of women in public law (E/1712, paragraph 42)
 - (a) Public Services and functions
 - (b) Civil Liberties
 - (c) Fiscal Law

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5. The status of women in private law (E/1712, paragraph 42):
 - (a) Family Law
 - (b) Property Rights
6. Educational Opportunities for Women (Economic and Social Council resolution 304 G (XI); and E/1712, paragraph 70)
7. Equal Pay for Equal Work for men and women workers (E/1712, paragraph 59)
8. The Status of Nurses (Item proposed by the World Health Organization)
9. Report of the Secretary-General on the plight of survivors of Nazi concentration camps (Economic and Social Council resolution 305 (XI); and E/1712, paragraph 79)
10. Participation of Women in the work of the United Nations (E/1712, paragraph 48)
11. Communications concerning the Status of Women (Economic and Social Council resolutions 76 (V) and 304 I (XI); and E/1712, paragraph 75)
12. Adoption of the Report to the Economic and Social Council

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Annotated list of documents on agenda itemsItem

3. (a) Report prepared by the Secretary-General for the fifth session of the General Assembly on Constitutions, electoral laws and other legal instruments relating to the franchise of women and their eligibility to public office, with annexed tables showing the countries where women may vote on equal terms with men, where they have limited or no voting rights, and those where action has been taken since the signing of the United Nations Charter, extending full or limited political rights to women. A/1342
- (b) Memorandum by the Secretary-General presenting a draft Convention on political rights for women. E/CN.6/160
- (c) Report by the Secretary-General on the preparation of a study-guide or pamphlet which would serve as a guide to non-governmental organizations working for the political education of women in countries where women have recently acquired the right to vote or are beginning to participate in public affairs. (Not yet issued)
- (d) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing information on the status of women in Trust Territories drawn from the annual reports of the Administering Authorities concerning the administration of the territories in 1949. E/CN.6/160
- Report by the Secretary-General on the status of women in certain non-self-governing territories in respect of Civil Services and Functions, Civil Liberties, Fiscal Laws and aspects of family law governing marriage, matrimonial causes and domicile of women and children, based upon replies to part I, sections C, E and F, of the Questionnaire on the Legal Status and Treatment of Women and to the Supplementary List of Questions on Nationality and Domicile, transmitted by Member Governments responsible for the administration of those territories. E/CN.6/15
4. Report of the Secretary-General on women in public services and functions in independent countries including civil service, jury, military and labour service, based on replies of Member Governments to Part I, section C, of the Questionnaire on the Legal Status and Treatment of Women. E/CN.6/15
- Report of the Secretary-General on Civil Liberties for women, based on replies of Member Governments to Part I, section E, of the Questionnaire on the Legal Status and Treatment of Women. E/CN.6/15
- Report of the Secretary-General on Fiscal Laws as they affect women, based on replies of Member Governments to Part I, section F, of the Questionnaire on the Legal Status and Treatment of Women. E/CN.6/15

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5. Preliminary report on Family Law prepared by the Secretary-General, based on information received in reply to the list of simplified questions on family law, and to Part III, Family Law, of the Questionnaire on the Legal Status and Treatment of Women. E/CN.6/165
- Preliminary report of the Secretary-General on Property Rights of Women, based on information received in reply to the list of simplified questions on property rights of women. E/CN.6/166
6. Report on educational opportunities for women, prepared by the Secretary-General in collaboration with UNESCO. (Not yet issued)
7. Report by the Secretary-General on the proceedings of and action taken by the International Labour Conference at its 33rd session on the subject of equal pay for equal work for men and women workers. (Not yet issued)
8. Report on the First Session of the World Health Organization's Expert Committee on Nursing, containing recommendations for improving the status of nurses. E/CN.6/162
(WHO Technical Report Series No.24)
9. Report of the Secretary-General on the plight of survivors of Nazi concentration camps, submitted to the 12th session of the Economic and Social Council. E/1915
10. Memorandum by the Secretary-General on the nature and proportion of positions occupied by women in the United Nations Secretariat, and on the number of women included in delegations of Member Governments to the various organs of the United Nations and its specialized agencies. E/CN.6/167
11. Non-confidential list prepared by the Secretary-General containing a brief summary of communications dealing with the principles relating to the promotion of women's rights in political, economic, civil, social and educational fields. E/CN.6/CR.4
Confidential list prepared by the Secretary-General containing a brief summary of communications concerning the status of women, other than those to be included in the non-confidential list. S/W.1