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**Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia**

 Technical Committee  
 Eleventh session  
 Beirut, 25-26 May 1999

Item 4 of the provisional agenda

**PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK**
Tuesday, 25 May 1999

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| 9.30 - 10 a.m.         |               | Registration of participants.  |
| 10 - 10.30 a.m.        | <u>Item 1</u> | Opening of the Technical Committee session.  |
| 10.30 - 11 a.m.        |               | Closed meeting for heads of delegation to discuss organizational matters.  |
|                        |               | Break.   |
| 11 - 11.30 a.m.        | <u>Item 2</u> | Election of officers.  |
|                        | <u>Item 3</u> | Adoption of the agenda.  |
|                        | <u>Item 4</u> | Proposed organization of work.   |
|                        | <u>Item 5</u> | Invitation to States Members of the United Nations and/or of the specialized agencies not members of the Commission to participate in the capacity of observer in the eleventh session of the Technical Committee. |
| 11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. | <u>Item 6</u> | Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission:   |
|                        |               | (a) Progress made during 1998 in the implementation of the programme of work for the biennium 1998-1999;   |
|                        |               | (b) Follow-up action on the resolutions of the Commission adopted at its nineteenth session:   |
|                        |               | (i) Resolution 209 (XIX) on the programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1996-1997;   |

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- (ii) Resolution 210 (XIX) on the medium-term plan of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia for the period 1998-2001;
- (iii) Resolution 211 (XIX) on the draft programme of work and priorities for the biennium 1998-1999;
- (iv) Resolution 213 (XIX) on the establishment of a committee on transport in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia;
- (v) Resolution 214 (XIX) on the establishment of a technical committee on liberalization of foreign trade and economic globalization in the countries of the ESCWA region;

1.30 - 3.30 p.m.

Lunch break.

3.30 - 6.30 p.m.

- (vi) Resolution 217 (XIX) on the call for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, to be held in 1999 in conjunction with its twentieth session, and discussion of the role of the Commission in the coming century in view of global and regional developments;
- (c) Follow-up action at the regional level on United Nations world conferences and ESCWA regional meetings;
- (d) Summaries of reports of sessions of the Commission's subsidiary bodies;
- (e) Draft programme of work and priorities for the biennium 2000-2001;
- (f) ESCWA draft medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005;
- (g) Financial status of the Commission's programmes;
- (h) Programme and organizational changes and modifications made by ESCWA since 1997.

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Item 7 Redesignation of the Technical Committee.

Item 8 Other matters.

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10 a.m. - noon

Item 9 Adoption of the report of the Technical Committee on its eleventh session.

Conclusion of the work of the Technical Committee.

Note: If the discussion of an agenda item is concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward for discussion.

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