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Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

Status of documentation

Note by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with paragraph 8 of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX), the sixtieth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination is tentatively scheduled to be held at Headquarters from 1 to 26 June 2020.

2. In its resolution 1988/77 on its revitalization, the Council reiterated that the Secretariat should circulate relevant documentation in all working languages six weeks before the opening of the sessions of the Council and its subsidiary organs.

3. In its resolution 53/208 B on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly: (a) reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to ensure that documents were available in accordance with the six-week rule for their distribution simultaneously in the six official languages; (b) reaffirmed its decision that, if a report was issued late, the reasons for the delay should be indicated when the report was introduced; and (c) decided that, if a report was submitted late to the conference services, the reasons for the delay should be included in a footnote to the document.

4. In section IV of its resolution 64/230 on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly expressed deep concern at the unprecedented high level of late submission of documentation, which, in turn, had a negative impact on the functioning of intergovernmental bodies, and, reiterating its request in its subsequent resolutions on the pattern of conferences, the latest of which was resolution 74/252, urged author departments to fully adhere to deadlines in meeting the goal of 90 per cent submission compliance.

5. Also in its resolutions on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly reiterated its request that the Secretary-General direct all departments of the Secretariat to include the following elements in their reports:

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(a) A summary of the report;

(b) Consolidated conclusions, recommendations and other proposed actions;

(c) Relevant background information.

6. In those same resolutions, the General Assembly also reiterated its request that all documents submitted to legislative organs by the Secretariat and expert bodies for consideration and action have conclusions and recommendations in bold print.

7. In section IV, paragraph 72 of its resolution 74/252 on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly reaffirmed its decision in section III, paragraph 9, of its resolution 59/265 that the issuance of documents in all six official languages on planning, budgetary and administrative matters requiring urgent consideration by the General Assembly should be accorded priority.

Annex

Status of preparedness of documentation for the sixtieth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Agenda item	*Document symbol*	*Title or description*	*Estimated date of issuance*	*Status of issuance*
2.	**Adoption of the agenda and organization of work**			
	E/AC.51/2020/1	Annotated provisional agenda		Issued
	E/AC.51/2020/L.1/Rev.1	Note by the Secretariat: status of documentation		
	E/AC.51/2020/L.2	Note by the Secretariat: report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit (Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 59/267)		Issued
3.	**Programme questions**			
(a)	**Proposed programme budget for 2021**			
		Reports of the Secretary-General on the proposed programme budget for 2021: programme plan for programmes and subprogrammes and programme performance information (General Assembly resolution 72/266 A):		
	A/75/6 (Sect. 2)	Programme 1, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 3)	Programme 2, Political affairs		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 4)	Programme 3, Disarmament		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 5)	Programme 4, Peacekeeping operations		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 6)	Programme 5, Peaceful uses of outer space		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 8)	Programme 6, Legal affairs		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 9)	Programme 7, Economic and social affairs		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 10)	Programme 8, Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 11)	Programme 9, United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa’s Development		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 12)	Programme 10, Trade and development		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 13)	Programme 10, subprogramme 6, International Trade Centre		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 14)	Programme 11, Environment		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 15)	Programme 12, Human settlements		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 16)	Programme 13, International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice		Issued

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	A/75/6 (Sect. 17)	Programme 14, Gender equality and the empowerment of women		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 18)	Programme 15, Economic and social development in Africa		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 19)	Programme 16, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 20)	Programme 17, Economic development in Europe		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 21)	Programme 18, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 22)	Programme 19, Economic and social development in Western Asia		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 24)	Programme 20, Human rights		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 25)	Programme 21, International protection, durable solutions and assistance to refugees		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 26)	Programme 22, Palestine refugees		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 27)	Programme 23, Humanitarian assistance		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 28)	Programme 24, Global communications		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 29)	Programme 25, Management and support services		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 29A)	Programme 25, Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 29B)	Programme 25, Department of Operational Support		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 29C)	Programme 25, Office of Information and Communications Technology		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 29E)	Programme 25, Administration, Geneva		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 29F)	Programme 25, Administration, Vienna		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 29G)	Programme 25, Administration, Nairobi		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 30)	Programme 26, Internal oversight		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 31)	Programme 27, Jointly financed activities		Issued
	A/75/6 (Sect. 34)	Programme 28, Safety and security		Issued
	A/74/6/Add.1	Programme budget for 2020		Issued
(b)	**Evaluation**			
		Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its fifty-seventh session (General Assembly resolution 72/9):		

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	E/AC.51/2020/7	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of recommendations from the programme evaluation of the Department of Political Affairs		Issued
	E/AC.51/2020/2	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of recommendations from the programme evaluation of the Economic Commission for Europe		Issued
	E/AC.51/2020/3	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of recommendations from the programme evaluation of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia		Issued
	E/AC.51/2020/6	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of recommendations from the programme evaluation of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs		Issued
	E/AC.51/2020/8	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of recommendations from the programme evaluation of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees		Issued
	E/AC.51/2020/4	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of recommendations from the programme evaluation of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees		Issued
	E/AC.51/2020/5	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of recommendations from the thematic evaluation of the regional commissions		Issued
4.	**Coordination questions**			
(a)	**Report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination**			
	E/2020/5	Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2019 (Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX))		Issued
(b)	**New Partnership for Africa's Development**			
	E/AC.51/2020/9/Rev.1	Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations system support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (General Assembly resolution 60/257)		Issued
5.	**Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit**			
	See E/AC.51/2020/L.2			Issued

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6.	**Provisional agenda for the sixty-first session**			
	E/AC.51/2020/L.3	Note by the Secretariat: provisional agenda and documentation for the sixty-first session of the Committee (Economic and Social Council resolution 1894 (LVII))		
7.	**Adoption of the report of the Committee on its sixtieth session**			
	E/AC.51/2020/L.4 and addenda	Draft report of the Committee		