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**MANAGEMENT ISSUES: PROGRAMME CHANGES FOR THE
BIENNIUM 2008-2009**

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Draft report

1. The Commission had before it documents E/ESCAP/65/19 and Add.1 containing the proposed programme changes for the biennium 2008-2009.
2. The Executive Secretary stated that the proposed programme changes for the biennium 2008-2009 reflected developments since the sixty-third session of the Commission. The developments included the decision of the Commission, in its resolution 64/1, to restructure its conference structure and sharpen the focus of work under the Committee on Transport and the newly created Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction, as well as the Secretary-General's proposal to strengthen the development pillar of the United Nations, as approved by the General Assembly.
3. The Commission endorsed the proposed programme changes for the biennium 2008-2009, as contained in the above-mentioned documents.