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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 sixty-first session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination is tentatively scheduled to be held at Headquarters from 1 to 25 June 2021.
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 [75/244](#), 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:

* The dates for the substantive session are tentative.

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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 75 of its resolution [75/244](#) 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 sixty-first session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

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2.		Adoption of the agenda and organization of work		
	E/AC.51/2021/1	Annotated provisional agenda		
	E/AC.51/2021/L.1	Note by the Secretariat: status of documentation		
	E/AC.51/2021/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)		
3.		Programme questions		
(a)		Proposed programme budget for 2022		
		Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed programme budget for 2022: part II: programme plan for programmes and subprogrammes and programme performance information (General Assembly resolutions 72/266 A , 74/251 and 75/243):		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 2)	Programme 1, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 3)	Programme 2, Political affairs		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 4)	Programme 3, Disarmament		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 5)	Programme 4, Peacekeeping operations		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 6)	Programme 5, Peaceful uses of outer space		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 8)	Programme 6, Legal affairs		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 9)	Programme 7, Economic and social affairs		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 10)	Programme 8, Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 11)	Programme 9, United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 12)	Programme 10, Trade and development		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 13)	Programme 10, subprogramme 6, International Trade Centre		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 14)	Programme 11, Environment		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 15)	Programme 12, Human settlements		
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	A/76/6 (Sect. 20)	Programme 17, Economic development in Europe		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 21)	Programme 18, Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 22)	Programme 19, Economic and social development in Western Asia		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 24)	Programme 20, Human rights		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 25)	Programme 21, International protection, durable solutions and assistance to refugees		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 26)	Programme 22, Palestine refugees		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 27)	Programme 23, Humanitarian assistance		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 28)	Programme 24, Global communications		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 29A)	Programme 25, Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 29B)	Programme 25, Department of Operational Support		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 29C)	Programme 25, Office of Information and Communications Technology		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 29E)	Programme 25, Administration, Geneva		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 29F)	Programme 25, Administration, Vienna		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 29G)	Programme 25, Administration, Nairobi		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 30)	Programme 26, Internal oversight		
	A/76/6 (Sect. 34)	Programme 28, Safety and security		
	A/75/6/Add.1	Programme budget for 2021		
(b)	Evaluation			
	A/76/_	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on strengthening the role of evaluation and the application of evaluation findings on programme design, delivery and policy directives (General Assembly resolution 62/224)		
	E/AC.51/2021/_	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States		

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	E/AC.51/2021/_	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development		
	E/AC.51/2021/_	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs		
	E/AC.51/2021/_	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the inspection of the evaluation function of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)		
	E/AC.51/2021/_	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime		
	E/AC.51/2021/_	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs		
4.		Coordination questions		
(a)		Report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination		
	E/2021/_	Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2020 (Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX))		
(b)		New Partnership for Africa's Development		
	E/AC.51/2021/_	Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations system support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (General Assembly resolution 60/257)		
5.		Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit		
	A/75/_	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Review of management and administration in the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean" (JIU/REP/2020/4)		
6.		Provisional agenda for the sixty-second session		
	E/AC.51/2021/L.3	Note by the Secretariat: provisional agenda and documentation for the sixty-second session of the Committee (Economic and Social Council resolution 1894 (LVII))		
7.		Adoption of the report of the Committee on its sixty-first session		
	E/AC.51/2021/L.4	Draft report of the Committee and addenda		