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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TENTH SESSION OF THE
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

After consultation with the President, the Secretary-General has the honour to submit, in accordance with rules 7, 9 and 10, the provisional agenda for the tenth session of the Economic and Social Council, commencing at 11:00 a.m., 7 February 1950, at Lake Success.

1. Election of President and Vice-Presidents for 1950.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Report of the ad hoc Committee on the factors bearing upon the establishment of an Economic Commission for the Middle East.
4. Report of the Transport and Communications Commission (second session): inland transport in the Middle East.
5. Question of the election of three members of the Economic Board for Palestine.
6. World economic situation.
7. Report of the Economic and Employment Commission (fifth session).
8. Full employment.
 - (a) Report of the group of experts appointed by the Secretary-General under Council resolution 221 (IX) E, on national and international measures required to achieve full employment.
 - (b) General Assembly resolution 308 (IV) of 25 November 1949.
9. Economic Development of under-developed countries:
 - (a) Third report by the Secretary-General on technical assistance for economic development under General Assembly resolution 200 (III).
 - (b) General Assembly resolution 306 (IV) of 16 November 1949 on economic development of under-developed countries.
 - (c) Methods of financing economic development of under-developed countries.
 - (d) General Assembly resolution 307 (IV) of 16 November 1949 on economic development and international economic and commercial policy.
10. International centre for training in public administration.
11. Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East: action arising out of

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- resolutions of the fifth session of the Commission:
12. Report by the Secretary-General on the United Nations Scientific Conference on Conservation and Utilization of Resources.
 13. Report by the Secretary-General on the United Nations Conference on Road and Motor Transport.
 14. Report of the Commission on Human Rights (fifth session): completion of the consideration of the report, begun at the ninth session.
 15. Survey of forced labour and measures for its abolition.
 16. Trade union rights (freedom of association).
 17. Draft Convention on Freedom of Information.
 18. Report of the Social Commission (fifth session).
 19. Housing and town and country planning.
 20. Report of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.
 21. United Nations Appeal for Children.
 22. Report of the Permanent Central Opium Board.
 23. Implementation of recommendations on economic and social matters.
 24. Co-ordination between the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies
 - (i) Report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination.
 - (ii) Report by the Secretary-General on particular co-ordination matters.
 25. Report of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.
 26. Report of the International Monetary Fund.
 27. General Assembly resolution 266 (III) of 17 May 1949:
"Problems of economic development and social progress of the former Italian colonies".
 28. Application of the Republic of Korea for membership of UNESCO.
Item proposed by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.
 29. Inter-governmental organizations.
 30. Non-governmental organizations:
 - (i) Applications and reapplications for consultative status.
 - (ii) Review of consultative arrangements.
 - (iii) Question of Non-governmental organizations Handbook.
 31. Study of the economic situation of Africa.
Item proposed by the World Federation of United Nations Associations.
 32. International reduction of working hours as a consequence of rising labour productivity.

Item proposed by the American Federation of Labor.

33. Procedure for a study of world oil resources.

Item proposed by the International Co-operative Alliance.

34. Abolition of discriminatory measures of an economic and social character from which workers suffer on grounds of race or colour.

Item proposed by the World Federation of Trade Unions.

35. Revision of rules of procedure of functional commissions.
36. Calendar of conferences for 1950: adjustments consequent upon decisions of the General Assembly and other changes.
37. Calendar of conferences for 1951: budgetary and administrative assumptions relating to the programme of conferences for 1951.
38. Summary of financial implications of actions of the Council.
39. Confirmation of members of commissions.
40. Election of members of the Agenda Committee for 1950.
41. Election of members of the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for 1950.

I. In accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure, the order in which the above items will be taken up by the Council will form the subject of recommendations by the Agenda Committee for consideration by the Council at its first plenary meeting. The Agenda Committee (consisting of the representative of Australia as alternate for the President of the Council, the representative of Poland as alternate for the first Vice-President and the representative of Brazil as alternate for the Second Vice-President of the Council, and the representatives of Belgium and India) is scheduled to meet at Lake Success on Wednesday, 1 February 1950.

II. The Secretary-General also draws the attention of the members of the Council to resolution 218 (VIII) by which the Council, in order to facilitate the work of the Agenda Committee, decided to invite members of the Council to communicate to the Secretary-General any comments which they might have on the provisional agenda of the ninth session. The Secretary-General would similarly appreciate receiving any observations which members may wish to make for the benefit of the Agenda Committee, as soon as possible and, if at all practicable, before 20 January 1950.

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1. See rules 19 and 20 of the rules of procedure.
2. See rule 23 of the rules of procedure.
Report of the Agenda Committee.
The Agenda Committee is scheduled to meet on 1 February 1950.
3. Item deferred from the ninth session; see document E/SR.283.
Council resolution 107 (VI).
General Assembly resolution 199 (III)
E/AC.26/16; report of the ad hoc Committee on the proposed Economic Commission for the Middle East, distributed on 3 June 1948.
E/AC.26/16/Add.3, E/AC.26/16/Corr.1.
E/850, distributed on 10 July 1948.
E/919, letter from the representative of Egypt concerning headquarters of proposed commission, distributed on 4 August 1948.
E/814: letter from the representative of Pakistan on application of Pakistan for membership in proposed commission, distributed on 10 June 1948.
4. Item deferred from the ninth session: see document E/SR.283.
Documents E/789, part III, paragraph 2a and resolution 4, distributed on 19 May 1948, E/789/Add.1 and E/789/Add.2.
5. Item deferred from the ninth session: see document E/SR.283.
General Assembly resolutions 181 (II) and 186 (S-2).
Council resolution 122 (VI).
6. Report by the Secretary-General on "Major Economic Changes in 1949" to be distributed in mid-January. (It should be understood that the item is "World Economic Situation" as formulated in the provisional agenda, not the report in itself, which is made available to facilitate the discussion).
"Review of International Commodity Problems, 1949" prepared by the Interim Co-ordinating Committee for International Commodity Arrangements, published in December 1949.
7. Report to be distributed after the fifth session of the Commission, to convene on 18 January 1950.
8. (a) Report to be distributed early in January.
Communication from the International Labour Organisation, document E/1571, distributed on 19 December 1949.

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- It is anticipated that the section of item 7 dealing with questions of employment and unemployment will be considered together with item 8 (a).
9. (a) The report (document E/1576 to be distributed at the end of December 1949) will also refer, inter alia to General Assembly resolutions 304 (IV) and 305 (IV) of 16 November 1949 on the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance for Economic Development and on Technical Assistance under General Assembly Resolution 200 (III), and to two resolutions adopted by the fifth session of ECAFE (E/CN.11/226 and E/CN.11/231). (See Item 11).
- (c) Council resolution 222 (IX) D.
Studies by the Secretary-General on:
- (i) "Methods of increasing domestic savings and of ensuring their most advantageous use for the purpose of economic development".
Document E/1562 to be distributed on 27 December 1949.
- (ii) "A survey of policies affecting private foreign investments" to be distributed in the latter half of January 1950.
- See also the two recently published Secretariat studies on "International Capital Movements During the Inter-War Period" and on "Methods of Financing Economic Development of Under-developed Countries" and also the study on "Relative Prices of Exports and Imports of Under-developed Countries" to be published on 3 January 1950.
10. Council resolution 253 (IX).
Report by the Secretary-General on arrangements to co-ordinate the programme of training in public administration with the programme for technical assistance.
Document E/1577 to be distributed at the end of December 1949.
11. Document E/1578 to be distributed early in January 1950.
For resolutions see documents E/CN.11/216 to 236.
12. Council resolution 32 (IV).
Document E/1579 to be distributed at the end of December 1949.
13. Council resolution 147 (VII).
Document E/1559 distributed on 9 November 1949.
14. E/1371, E/1371/Corr.1 and E/1371/Add.1.
15. Council resolution 237 (IX).
Report by the Secretary-General to be distributed in January 1950.

16. Council resolution 239 (IX).
Progress report by the Secretary-General and the Director-General of the International Labour Office, document E/1566 distributed on 9 December 1949.
17. General Assembly resolution 313 (IV) of 20 October 1949.
Document E/1560 distributed on 20 November 1949.
18. Document E/1568 to be distributed at the end of December 1950.
19. Council resolution 243 (IX) C.
Reports by the Social Commission (document E/1568, paragraphs 11-24) and by the Secretary-General (document E/1580, to be distributed at the end of December 1949).
20. Council resolution 257 (IX).
Report to be distributed early in February 1950.
21. Council resolution 258 (IX).
Report by the Secretary-General on the 1948 campaigns to be distributed mid-January.
22. See Article 27 of the Convention of 1925; this report deals with statistics of narcotics for 1948 and the work of the Board in 1949.
Report to be distributed in January 1950.
23. Council resolution 255 (IX).
Report of the ad hoc Committee to be distributed at the end of December.
See documents E/1561, E/1561/Add.1, E/1561/Add.2, E/1567.
24. (i) Report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination: document E/1572 to be distributed at the beginning of January 1950.
(ii) Report by the Secretary-General on particular co-ordination matters: document E/1573 to be distributed in January 1950.
25. Documents E/1557 and E/1557/Add.1 distributed on 21 November 1949.
26. Documents E/1556 and E/1556/Add.1 distributed on 1 and 8 November 1949 respectively.
27. General Assembly resolution 266 (III) of 17 May 1949.
Note by the Secretary-General to be distributed early in January.
28. Document E/1558 distributed on 9 November 1949.
29. Council resolution 262 (IX).
Document E/1574: report by the Secretary-General to be distributed in the beginning of January 1950.
Document E/1575: List of Inter-governmental organizations to be distributed at the end of December.

30. (i) Memoranda to be distributed at the end of December.
 - (ii) Council resolution 214 (VIII) E (See documents E/C.2/224, E/C.2/230, E/C.2/231, E/C.2/233, E/C.2/235).
 - (iii) Council resolution 263 (IX) F (See documents E/C.2/224 and E/1583, note by the Secretary-General to be distributed early in January).
- Reports of the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on items 30 (i), (ii) and (iii) to be distributed after the meetings of the Committee. The Committee will meet from 23-27 January 1950 and during the Council session. (See document E/C.2/L.1).
31. Documents E/1555 and E/1555/Add.1 distributed on 28 October and 13 December 1949 respectively.
 32. Document E/1564 distributed on 8 December 1949.
 33. Documents E/1565, E/1366/Add.1 and E/1366/Add.1/Corr.1 distributed on 8 December, 17 June and 9 December 1949 respectively.
 34. See documents E/1563 and E/1563/Add.1 distributed on 8 December and 30 December 1949 respectively.
 35. Report of the Committee on Procedure. (The Committee on Procedure is scheduled to commence its meetings on 9 January 1950).
 36. Document E/1569 distributed on 15 December 1949.
General Assembly resolution 357 (IV) paragraph C.
 37. Document E/1582, to be distributed early in January 1950.
 38. See rule 33 of the rules of procedure.
Note by the Secretary-General to be distributed.
 39. Document to be distributed towards the end of the Council session.
 40. See rule 14 of the rules of procedure.
 41. See rule 78 of the rules of procedure.
