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## Ad Hoc Committee to Elaborate a Comprehensive International Convention on Countering the Use of Information and Communications Technologies for Criminal Purposes

Concluding session

New York, 29 January–9 February 2024

### Annotated provisional agenda

#### Provisional agenda

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#### Annotations

##### 1. Opening of the session

In its resolution [74/247](#), the General Assembly decided to establish an open-ended ad hoc intergovernmental committee of experts, representative of all regions, to elaborate a comprehensive international convention on countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes, taking into full consideration existing international instruments and efforts at the national, regional and international levels on combating the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes, in particular the work and outcomes of the open-ended intergovernmental Expert Group to Conduct a Comprehensive Study on Cybercrime.

The Ad Hoc Committee to Elaborate a Comprehensive International Convention on Countering the Use of Information and Communications Technologies for Criminal Purposes held an organizational session in New York from 10 to 12 May 2021.



On 26 May 2021, the General Assembly adopted resolution [75/282](#), in which it decided, inter alia, that the Ad Hoc Committee should convene at least six sessions of 10 days each, and a concluding session, and provide a draft convention to the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session. The Committee held a session on organizational matters in New York on 24 February 2022. It held its first session in New York from 28 February to 11 March 2022, its second session in Vienna from 30 May to 10 June 2022, its third session in New York from 29 August to 9 September 2022, its fourth session in Vienna from 9 to 20 January 2023, its fifth session in Vienna from 11 to 21 April 2023 and its sixth session in New York from 21 August to 1 September 2023.

At the session on organizational matters, the Ad Hoc Committee held elections to fill two vacant Vice-Chair positions, from the Asia-Pacific States and the Latin American and Caribbean States, and adopted the list of other relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions and private sector entities that may participate in the Committee, in line with paragraph 9 of resolution [75/282](#). At its first session, the Committee adopted a road map and mode of work with a view to facilitating the fulfilment of the Committee's mandate through a well-planned, organized and transparent approach, and also adopted the structure of the convention. In addition, the Committee considered the objectives and scope of the convention and held a preliminary exchange of views on key elements of the convention. At its second and third sessions, the Committee undertook a first reading of the chapters on criminalization, the general provisions, procedural measures and law enforcement, international cooperation, technical assistance, preventive measures, the mechanism of implementation and the final provisions, and the preamble, and exchanged views on the basis of the written submissions of Member States. At its fourth session, the Committee undertook a second reading of the chapters on criminalization, general provisions and procedural measures and law enforcement using a consolidated negotiating document prepared by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of the outcomes of the first reading of those chapters during the second session ([A/AC.291/16](#)). At its fifth session, the Committee undertook a second reading of the provisions on international cooperation, technical assistance, preventive measures and the mechanism of implementation, the final provisions and the preamble using a consolidated negotiating document prepared by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of the outcomes of the first reading of those chapters during the third session ([A/AC.291/19](#)). At its sixth session, the Committee undertook a reading of the draft text of the convention ([A/AC.291/22](#)), which was prepared by the Committee Chair, with the assistance of the Secretariat, on the basis of the outcomes of the second reading of the draft chapters of the convention during the fourth and the fifth sessions.

In line with the road map approved by the Ad Hoc Committee at its first session, the concluding session of the Committee will be opened in New York on Monday, 29 January 2024, at 10 a.m. The session will be held with simultaneous interpretation in the six official languages of the United Nations. Further information for participants will be made available on the website of the session.<sup>1</sup>

## **2. Organizational matters**

### **(a) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work**

The road map and mode of work for the Ad Hoc Committee ([A/AC.291/7](#), annex II), which were approved by the Committee at its first session, provide guidance for the Committee to fulfil its mandates from the first session to the concluding session, including the substantive agenda items for all meetings.

The present annotated provisional agenda was prepared in line with the road map and mode of work, which provides that the Ad Hoc Committee will finalize and approve the draft text of the convention, as well as discuss and approve a draft resolution to

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<sup>1</sup> [www.unodc.org/unodc/en/cybercrime/ad\\_hoc\\_committee/ahc\\_concluding\\_session/main](http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/cybercrime/ad_hoc_committee/ahc_concluding_session/main).

which the text of the draft convention will be annexed, for consideration and adoption by the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session, in 2024.

#### **Documentation**

Annotated provisional agenda ([A/AC.291/24](#))

#### **(b) Election of a Vice-Chair**

At its concluding session, the Ad Hoc Committee will consider the nomination of Warisawa Koichi (Japan) as a Vice-Chair representing the Asia-Pacific States, as communicated by the Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the United Nations, in its capacity as Chair of the Group of Asia-Pacific States, on 21 September 2023.

#### **3. Revised draft text of the convention**

At its concluding session, the Ad Hoc Committee will undertake a reading of the preamble, the general provisions, the provisions on criminalization, procedural measures and law enforcement, international cooperation, preventive measures, technical assistance and the mechanism of implementation, and the final provisions of a comprehensive international convention on countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes, using the revised draft text of the convention, which was prepared by the Chair, with the support of the Secretariat, on the basis of the outcomes of the sixth session, for the consideration of the Committee.

For its consideration of agenda item 3, the Ad Hoc Committee will have before it the revised draft text of the convention, which is available in the six official languages of the United Nations, in line with the road map and mode of work.

#### **Documentation**

Revised draft text of the convention ([A/AC.291/22/Rev.1](#))

#### **4. Draft General Assembly resolution**

In accordance with the road map and mode of work, at its concluding session the Ad Hoc Committee will discuss and approve a draft resolution to which the text of the draft convention will be annexed, for consideration and adoption by the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session, in 2024.

#### **5. Any other business**

The Ad Hoc Committee may address any other matters under agenda item 5. As no issues to be raised under the agenda item have come to the attention of the Secretariat, no documentation regarding the item has been prepared.

#### **6. Adoption of the report**

The Ad Hoc Committee is to adopt a report on its concluding session, the draft of which will be prepared by the Rapporteur in coordination with the Secretariat.

#### **7. Closure of the session**

The Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee is expected to close the session on Friday, 9 February 2024.

## Annex

## Proposed organization of work\*

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
<b>Monday, 29 January</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	1	Opening of the session
	2 (a)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	2 (b)	Election of a Vice-Chair
	3	Revised draft text of the convention
3–6 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Tuesday, 30 January</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Wednesday, 31 January</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Thursday, 1 February</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Friday, 2 February</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Monday, 5 February</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Tuesday, 6 February</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Wednesday, 7 February</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3	Revised draft text of the convention ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	4	Draft General Assembly resolution
<b>Thursday, 8 February</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	4	Draft General Assembly resolution ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	4	Draft General Assembly resolution ( <i>continued</i> )

\* The proposed timetable for each agenda item is indicative in nature. Should an item be finalized earlier, the following agenda item will be taken up.

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<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
<b>Friday, 9 February</b>		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	4	Draft General Assembly resolution ( <i>continued</i> )
3–6 p.m.	5	Any other business
	6	Adoption of the report
	7	Closure of the session

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