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Annotations

1. Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee

In accordance with rule 14 of the rules of procedure, new members of the Committee shall make the following solemn declaration:

“I solemnly declare that I will perform my duties and exercise my powers as a member of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities honourably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously.”



2. Election of the Chair and other officers of the Committee

In accordance with rule 15 of its rules of procedure, the Committee shall elect from among its members a Chair, three Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur. In accordance with rules 16 and 17, the officers of the Committee shall be elected for a term of two years and elections shall be held by secret ballot, unless the Committee decides otherwise in the case of an election to fill a place for which there is only one candidate.

3. Adoption of the agenda

Under rule 9 of the Committee's rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda for any session shall be the adoption of the agenda, unless the election of officers is required under rule 20. In accordance with rule 10, the Committee may revise the agenda during a session and may, as appropriate, add, defer or delete items.

The provisional agenda for the thirty-second session was prepared by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Chair of the Committee, pursuant to rule 8 of the rules of procedure.

4. Organizational matters

The thirty-second session of the Committee will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva, in Room XVI at the Palais des Nations, from 3 to 21 March 2025. The 1st meeting of the session will be convened on Monday, 3 March, at 10 a.m. A representative of the Secretary-General will open the session.

Pursuant to rule 29 of the rules of procedure, the meetings of the Committee shall be held in public, unless otherwise decided by the Committee.

The Committee will consider matters concerning the organization of the thirty-second session, in particular the adoption of its programme of work.

5. Report of the Chair on activities undertaken between the thirty-first and thirty-second sessions of the Committee

The Committee will consider the report of the Chair on activities undertaken between the thirty-first and thirty-second sessions.

6. Submission of reports by parties to the Convention under article 35

The Committee will be updated on the reports received from parties to the Convention under article 35. As at the time of issuance of the present provisional agenda, the following reports had been received and were pending consideration by the Committee:

<i>Party</i>	<i>Due</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Symbol</i>
Afghanistan	2014	1 December 2020	CRPD/C/AFG/1
Armenia	2020	14 September 2020	CRPD/C/ARM/2-3
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	2023	14 December 2023	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2020	20 October 2020	CRPD/C/BIH/2-3
Botswana	2023	11 December 2023	-
Burundi	2016	3 December 2021	-
Cabo Verde	2013	12 August 2024	-
Canada	2020	7 November 2022	CRPD/C/CAN/2-3
Chad	2021	4 April 2023	-
Chile	2022	29 December 2022	-
Colombia	2021	9 June 2021	CRPD/C/COL/2-4

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Croatia	2021	20 December 2021	-
Czechia	2020	23 November 2022	-
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	2019	19 December 2018	CRPD/C/PRK/1
Democratic Republic of the Congo	2017	22 May 2024	-
Dominican Republic	2019	30 October 2023	CRPD/C/DOM/2-3
Egypt	2010	4 February 2020	CRPD/C/EGY/1
Eswatini	2014	24 August 2022	-
Ethiopia	2020	9 January 2023	-
European Union	2023	18 April 2023	CRPD/C/EU/2-3
Finland	2018	9 August 2019	CRPD/C/FIN/1
Guinea-Bissau	2016	5 December 2024	-
Honduras	2022	12 July 2022	CRPD/C/HND/2-4
Iceland	2018	5 May 2021	CRPD/C/ISL/1
Ireland	2020	8 November 2021	CRPD/C/IRL/1
Kiribati	2015	12 February 2019	CRPD/C/KIR/1
Kyrgyzstan	2021	30 March 2022	-
Latvia	2020	17 September 2021	CRPD/C/LVA/2-3
Liberia	2014	1 October 2019	CRPD/C/LBR/1
Lithuania	2020	15 February 2021	CRPD/C/LTU/2-3
Maldives	2012	8 October 2018	CRPD/C/MDV/1
Mali	2010	24 June 2019	CRPD/C/MLI/1
Marshall Islands	2017	22 August 2019	CRPD/C/MHL/1
Micronesia (Federated States of)	2019	28 April 2022	-
Monaco	2019	18 October 2019	CRPD/C/MCO/1
Mozambique	2014	3 January 2020	CRPD/C/MOZ/1
Namibia	2010	1 May 2020	CRPD/C/NAM/1
Nepal	2024	17 September 2024	-
Nigeria	2012	26 March 2021	CRPD/C/NGA/1
Oman	2023	22 December 2023	-
Pakistan	2013	18 October 2019	CRPD/C/PAK/1
Palau	2015	2 February 2018	CRPD/C/PLW/1
Panama	2021	29 September 2021	-
Philippines	2022	17 October 2023	-
Qatar	2022	3 August 2022	-

<i>Party</i>	<i>Due</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Symbol</i>
Republic of Moldova	2020	28 October 2020	CRPD/C/MDA/2-3
Romania	2013	3 March 2022	-
Russian Federation	2022	5 October 2022	-
Sierra Leone	2012	29 August 2020	CRPD/C/SLE/1
Slovakia	2020	30 September 2020	CRPD/C/SVK/2-3
Slovenia	2024	30 October 2024	-
Sri Lanka	2018	5 December 2019	CRPD/C/LKA/1
State of Palestine	2016	14 June 2019	CRPD/C/PSE/1
Trinidad and Tobago	2017	9 June 2021	CRPD/C/TTO/1
Turkmenistan	2020	9 November 2022	-
Tuvalu	2016	9 March 2018	CRPD/C/TUV/1
Uganda	2022	28 March 2023	-
United Arab Emirates	2023	12 February 2024	-
Uzbekistan	2023	1 August 2023	-
Viet Nam	2017	4 April 2018	CRPD/C/VNM/1
Zimbabwe	2015	8 June 2022	-

7. Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35

At its thirty-second session, the Committee will consider the initial reports of Palau, Tuvalu and Viet Nam and the combined second and third periodic reports of Canada, the Dominican Republic and the European Union.

In pursuance of established practice and in conformity with rule 41 of the rules of procedure, the Secretary-General has informed the parties concerned of the tentative dates on which their reports have been scheduled for consideration by the Committee. A schedule for the consideration of the reports will be set forth in the tentative programme of work, which will be made available on the web page of the Committee.

8. Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, organizations of persons with disabilities and other competent bodies

The Committee will discuss how to strengthen cooperation with United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, non-governmental organizations, including organizations of persons with disabilities, and other competent bodies in order to enhance the promotion and protection of the rights of persons with disabilities, including the empowerment and promotion of the rights of women and girls with disabilities. Representatives of such organizations and bodies may seek to address the Committee.

9. General comments

The Committee will continue its work on drafting a general comment on article 11 of the Convention, on situations of risk and humanitarian emergencies. It will also hold a day of general discussion on article 29 of the Convention, on participation in political and public life.

10. Methods of work of the Committee

The Committee will consider its methods of work.

11. Activities under the Optional Protocol to the Convention

The Committee will consider the communications submitted under the Optional Protocol to the Convention. It will also consider matters related to inquiries under the Optional Protocol.

12. Future meetings

The Committee will be informed of any developments relating to its future meetings. It will also consider its future organization of work.

13. Other matters

Members will discuss any other matters relating to the work of the Committee, as considered necessary.

14. Adoption of the report on the thirty-second session

Pursuant to rule 38 bis of its rules of procedure, the Committee may consider and adopt the report on its thirty-second session.

15. Adoption of the biennial report (2023–2024) to the General Assembly and to the Economic and Social Council

Under this item, the Committee will adopt its biennial report to the General Assembly and to the Economic and Social Council.
