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Note by the secretariat

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I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. The provisional agenda presented for adoption is as follows:
 1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
 2. Implementation of the Convention:
 - (a) Review of reports on implementation of affected country Parties, including on the participatory process, and on experience gained and results achieved in the preparation and implementation of national action programmes;
 - (b) Review of the report on progress made in the formulation and implementation of subregional and regional action programmes;
 - (c) Review of reports by developed country Parties on measures taken to assist in the preparation and implementation of action programmes of affected country Parties, including information on financial resources they have provided, or are providing, under the Convention;
 - (d) Review of information provided by organs, funds and programmes of the United Nations system, as well as other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, on their activities in support of the preparation and implementation of action programmes under the Convention.
 3. Report of the session.

II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Introduction

Venue

2. By its decision 1/COP.4¹, the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) decided that the Ad Hoc Working Group (AHWG) shall conclude the process of reviewing all remaining reports submitted at its third and fourth sessions, during the period between the fourth and fifth sessions, by convening an inter-sessional meeting of up to 15 working days. By the same decision, the Executive Secretary of the Convention was requested to make all necessary arrangements for the AHWG to fulfil its mandate. Decision 2/COP.4 recommended that the resumed session of the AHWG take place at a location that facilitates maximum participation.

3. The inter-sessional meeting of the AHWG will be opened by the Executive Secretary at the International Congress Centre Bundeshaus in Bonn, Germany, on Monday, 19 March 2001.

Logistic arrangements

4. A few weeks before the opening of the session, the secretariat will distribute an information note detailing registration and security procedures, as well as other logistic arrangements for the session.

Participants

5. In accordance with article 36, paragraph 2, of the UNCCD, for each State or regional economic integration organization which ratifies, accepts or approves the Convention or accedes thereto after the deposit of the fiftieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Convention enters into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit with the Depositary of the relevant instrument. Consequently, the Parties as of the opening of the inter-sessional meeting of the AHWG on 19 March 2001 will be the States and regional economic integration organizations that have deposited their instruments by 19 December 2000. Those that deposit their instruments after 12 September 2000 and by 6 January 2001 will become Parties during the session. Those that do so after 6 January 2001 will not become Parties until after the closure of the session but can participate in the session as observers. The intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations accredited at the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties are listed in ICCD/COP(4)/9 and Add.1. Relevant information on the status of ratifications is contained in ICCD/COP(4)/INF.2.

¹ For decisions of the Conference of the Parties at its fourth session, see ICCD/COP(4)/11/Add.1.

6. The Ad Hoc Working Group is composed of:
- (a) Representatives of affected country Parties which have submitted their reports to the third and fourth sessions of the Conference of the Parties;
 - (b) Representatives of developed country Parties;
 - (c) Representatives of observers, intergovernmental and accredited non-governmental organizations, the United Nations and its specialized agencies;
 - (d) The chairmen of the regional and interest groups;
 - (e) The Chairman of the Committee on Science and Technology.

7. By its decision 1/COP.4, the Conference of the Parties invited the Committee on Science and Technology (CST) and the Global Mechanism (GM) to provide advice and information to be used for the review of the implementation of the Convention. By decision 2/COP.4, the CST and the GM were also invited to bring their contribution to the review of implementation at the resumed session of the AHWG in conformity with the COP's decision on its procedures. It is expected that the Global Mechanism would provide information, in particular on support it can provide to countries in the light of its mandate.

Bureau

8. In accordance with the provisions contained in decision 1/COP.4, the Bureau of the Ad Hoc Working Group is composed of two co-chairpersons and three vice-chairpersons, one of whom shall act as Rapporteur. The chairpersons and the other officers of the AHWG were elected at the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties by decision 2/COP.4.

Agenda

9. By its decision 1/COP.4, the COP decided that:
- (a) All national reports submitted at its third and fourth sessions shall be reviewed individually by the AHWG before the beginning of the fifth session of the COP;
 - (b) The AHWG will organize its work according to its experience and in accordance with the provisions of decision 1/COP.4;

These have been taken into account in the provisional agenda prepared for the inter-sessional meeting of the AHWG, in addition to issues arising from other decisions taken at the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties.

Documentation

10. A list of documents for the session and other relevant documents is provided in annex I. In addition to normal distribution, official COP 4 documents as well as full reports from country Parties have been made available on the secretariat's World Wide Web site at the following address on the Internet: <http://www.unccd.int>.

1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

11. The AHWG will have before it the provisional agenda (see section I, above) to consider for adoption. A tentative schedule of work for the session, on which the subsections below elaborate, is contained in annex II.

Purpose of the session

12. The Convention provides, in article 22, paragraph 2(a), that the COP shall regularly review the implementation of the Convention and the functioning of its institutional arrangements. The Conference of the Parties, by decision 6/COP.3, established the AHWG to review and analyse in-depth the reports submitted at its third and fourth sessions in order to draw conclusions and propose concrete recommendations on further steps in the implementation of the Convention.

13. In accordance with decision 1/COP.4, the AHWG, without neglecting other issues contained in reports, shall review and analyse reports by adopting thematic approaches, as appropriate, based on, *inter alia*, the following topics:

- (a) Identification of best practices and successes in implementing the Convention;
- (b) Identification of main difficulties, obstacles and challenges in implementing the Convention;
- (c) Level of participation of all actors, including financial and technical support from developed countries, in the implementation process;
- (d) Linkages and synergies with other conventions on the environment and development;
- (e) Strategies established within the framework of sustainable development plans and/or policies;

The proposed organization of work of the session is designed to facilitate such activities and takes into account the recommendations as contained in the interim report of the AHWG.

Opening meeting

14. As to the structure of the opening session, the AHWG may wish to consider the following scenario. The Co-Chairmen would make statements and the Executive Secretary of the Convention would then present an overview of issues before the AHWG and introduce the documents prepared by the secretariat. The AHWG may wish then to consider the tentative agenda for adoption.

Regional segments

15. Having taken into account the recommendations contained in decision 2/COP.4, it is proposed in the tentative schedule that the resumed session of the AHWG be divided into three segments. During the initial segment, from 19 to 23 March, national reports from affected African country Parties will be reviewed. During the second segment, from 26 to 30 March, the AHWG will analyze

reports from affected Asian country Parties. At the third segment, from 2 to 6 April, reports from Latin American and the Caribbean, Northern Mediterranean, Central and Eastern Europe and other affected country Parties will be considered.

16. It is proposed that each meeting start with the presentation of national reports delivered by the representative of affected country Parties. In light of the considerable number of reports to be submitted during the resumed session of the AHWG, Parties are invited to present their reports within the time allocated and, to the extent possible, to make use of multi-media equipment. Comments by developed country partners and concerned international organizations, together with advice and information provided by the representative from the CST and the GM, are then expected to bring added value to this exercise.

17. Subregional activities will be presented and discussed at the end of the country review for the Asian and Latin America and the Caribbean annexes.

18. For each regional implementation annex, the presentations from countries, subregional and regional organizations will be concluded by an informal wrap up session to review the main lessons learnt and priority themes to be addressed.

19. At the end of the first two regional segments, it is proposed to accommodate, within the time available, a review of the reports of developed country Parties and relevant international organizations.

Concluding session

20. The proposed schedule allows for the concluding session of the AHWG on 6 April 2001. During the concluding session the final report of the AHWG containing its conclusions and recommendations will be presented and adopted.

Times of meetings

21. The tentative schedule aims to make the best use of the facilities available during normal working hours. No scheduling or budgetary provision has been made for evening or weekend sessions. Consistent with local working hours and to avoid incurring overtime expenses, the normal working hours of the inter-sessional meeting of the AHWG will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. No provision has been made for more than one meeting to be held with interpretation services at any one time.

2. Implementation of the Convention

22. Pursuant to article 22, paragraphs 2(a) and 2(b), and article 26, of the Convention, the COP is to review the implementation of the UNCCD and its institutional arrangements.

23. By its decision 6/COP.3, the Conference of the Parties decided to establish an ad hoc working group to review and analyse in depth, at the fourth session, reports submitted at its third session and reports that will be submitted at its fourth session in order to draw conclusions and propose concrete recommendations on further steps in the implementation of the Convention.

24. At its first session, from 15 to 21 December 2001, the AHWG considered 23 national reports from affected country Parties as well as 8 subregional and regional reports. An interim report was submitted by the co-chairmen of the AHWG to COP 4.

25. By its decision 1/COP.4, the Conference of the Parties decided that the Ad Hoc Working Group shall conclude the process of reviewing all remaining reports submitted at the third and fourth sessions of the Conference of the Parties, during the period between the fourth and fifth sessions, by convening an inter-sessional meeting of up to 15 working days. By the same decision, the Executive Secretary of the UNCCD was requested to make all necessary arrangements for the above-mentioned ad hoc working group to fulfil its mandate.

(a) Review of reports on implementation of affected country Parties, including on the participatory process, and on experience gained and results achieved in the preparation and implementation of national action programmes

26. By its decisions 2/COP.2 and 4/COP.3, the COP decided to review the reports of affected country Parties of Africa and of regions other than Africa respectively. In accordance with procedures detailed in decision 11/COP.1, the secretariat has compiled the summaries of such reports. The summaries of reports from affected country Parties of the African region are contained in ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2 (B) to (E), while ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/1 to 4 contain the summaries of reports from Asian, Latin America and the Caribbean, Northern Mediterranean and other affected country Parties.

27. In accordance with the same decision 11/COP.1, the secretariat has prepared a synthesis of such reports, setting out the trends emerging in the implementation of the Convention. The synthesis of national reports from affected African country Parties are contained in ICCD/COP(5)/5/Add.2 (A), while ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.1 (D), ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.2 (D) and ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.3 (B) contain synthesis of reports from Asian, Latin America and the Caribbean, Northern Mediterranean and other affected country Parties.

(b) Review of the report on progress made in the formulation and implementation of subregional and regional action programmes

28. By the same decisions 2/COP.2 and 4/COP.3, the COP also decided to consider the progress made in the formulation and implementation of subregional and regional action programmes in Africa and in regions other than Africa. The relevant information for the Africa region is contained in ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.5, while subregional and regional activities of regions other than Africa are described in the annexes to ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.1, ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.2 and ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.3.

(c) Review of reports by developed country Parties on measures taken to assist in the preparation and implementation of action programmes of affected country Parties, including information on financial resources they have provided, or are providing, under the Convention

29. By its decisions 2/COP.2 and 4/COP.3, the COP decided to review the measures undertaken by developed country Parties in assisting the preparation and implementation of action programmes of affected country Parties. A

compilation of reports received from developed country Parties is provided in ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.1 (Africa) and ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.4 (regions other than Africa).

- (d) *Review of information provided by organs, funds and programmes of the United Nations system, as well as other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, on their activities in support of the preparation and implementation of action programmes under the Convention*

30. By the same decisions 2/COP.2 and 4/COP.3, the COP decided to review the activities of United Nations organizations, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in support of the preparation and implementation of action programmes. The secretariat has prepared syntheses of the information provided by such organizations, and they are contained in ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.3 (support provided to affected African country Parties) and ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.5 (support provided to affected country Parties of regions other than Africa).

3. Report of the session

31. As requested by decision 1/COP.4, an interim report of the work undertaken by the AHWG was submitted to the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties, and it is attached to decision 2/COP.4.

32. Pursuant to the same decision 1/COP.4, the AHWG is to submit to the Conference of the Parties at its fifth session a comprehensive report on its conclusions and concrete recommendations on further steps on the implementation of the Convention.

33. In accordance with decision 3/COP.4, the Executive Secretary of the Convention will circulate the comprehensive report of the AHWG at least eight weeks prior to the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties.

Annex I

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

Documents available at the intersessional meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group:

<u>Document symbol</u>	<u>Title or description</u>
ICCD/COP(3)/5	Review of the implementation of the Convention, including support to regional action programmes
ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.1	Reports by developed country Parties on measures taken to assist affected African country Parties in the preparation and implementation of action programmes
ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2	Reports on implementation of the Convention by affected African country Parties
ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.3	Information provided by United Nations organizations, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations on their support to the preparation and implementation of action programmes in Africa
ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.5	Progress made in the formulation and implementation of subregional and regional action programmes in Africa
ICCD/COP(4)/3	Implementation of the Convention - Review of the report of the secretariat on progress made by affected country Parties in the implementation of the Convention
ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.1	Implementation of the Convention - Reports on implementation of affected country Parties of regions other than Africa, including on the participatory process and on experience gained and results achieved in the preparation and implementation of national action programmes - Review of the report on progress made in the formulation and implementation of subregional and regional action programmes in regions other than Africa (Asia)
ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.2	Implementation of the Convention - Reports on implementation of affected country Parties of regions other than Africa, including on the participatory process and on experience gained and results achieved in the preparation and implementation of national action programmes - Review of the report on progress made in the formulation and implementation of subregional and regional action programmes in regions other than Africa (Latin America and the Caribbean)

<u>Document symbol</u>	<u>Title or description</u>
ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.3	Implementation of the Convention - Reports on implementation of affected country Parties of regions other than Africa, including on the participatory process and on experience gained and results achieved in the preparation and implementation of national action programmes - Review of the report on progress made in the formulation and implementation of subregional and regional action programmes in regions other than Africa (Northern Mediterranean and other affected country Parties)
ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.4	Implementation of the Convention - Reports by developed country Parties on measures taken to assist in the preparation and implementation of action programmes, including information on financial resources they have provided, or are providing, under the Convention
ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.5	Implementation of the Convention - Review of information provided by organs, funds and programmes of the United Nations system, as well as other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, on their activities in support of the preparation and implementation of action programmes under the Convention - Review of available information regarding the financing of the implementation of the Convention by multilateral agencies and institutions, including information on the activities of the Global Environment Facility concerning desertification that relate to its four focal areas, as specified in article 20, paragraph 2(b) of the Convention
ICCD/COP(4)/9	Accreditation of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, admission of observers
ICCD/COP(4)/9/Add.1	Accreditation of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, admission of observers
ICCD/COP(4)/11/Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties at the fourth session. Part II: Decisions taken by the Conference
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/1	Summaries of national reports from affected African country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/1/Add.1	Summaries of national reports from affected African country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2	Summaries of national reports from affected Asian country Parties

ICCD/COP(4)/2/Add.1	Summaries of national reports from affected Asian country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/2/Add.2	Summaries of national reports from affected Asian country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/2/Add.3	Summaries of national reports from affected Asian country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3	Summaries of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1	Summaries of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2	Summaries of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4	Summaries of national reports from Northern Mediterranean and other affected country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1	Summaries of national reports from Northern Mediterranean and other affected country Parties
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/5	Ad Hoc Working Group - Tentative agenda - Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/INF.1	Ad Hoc Working Group - Preliminary information for participants
ICCD/COP(4)/INF.2	Status of ratification of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
ICCD/COP(4)/CST/5	Synthesis of scientific and technical information contained in the reports from country Parties, in particular on benchmarks and indicators, for review by the CST

Other documents:

Third session of the Conference of the Parties

ICCD/COP(3)/20	Report of the Conference of the Parties at its third session: Proceedings
ICCD/COP(3)/20/Add.1	Report of the Conference of the Parties at its third session: Action taken

Second session of the Conference of the Parties

ICCD/COP(2)/14	Report of the Conference of the Parties at its second session: Proceedings
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ICCD/COP(2)/14/Add.1 Report of the Conference of the Parties at its second
session: Action taken

First session of the Conference of the Parties

ICCD/COP(1)/11 Report of the Conference of the Parties at its first
session: Proceedings

ICCD/COP(1)/11/Add.1 Report of the Conference of the Parties at its first
session: Action taken

Annex II

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF WORK

MONDAY, 19 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Opening of the session by the Executive Secretary of CCD</p> <p>2. Statements by the co-Chairmen of the AHWG</p> <p>3. Adoption of the agenda and of the organization of work (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/5)</p> <p>4. Statements by Parties and observers</p> <p>5. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties Burundi (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/1/Add.1) Cameroon (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(A)) Rwanda (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(D))</p>	<p>5. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued Chad (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B)) Cote D'Ivoire (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B)) Gambia (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B)) Ghana (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B))</p>

TUESDAY, 20 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued Guinea (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B)) Guinea Bissau (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/1/Add.1) Niger (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(D)) Nigeria (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(D))</p>	<p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued Togo (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(E)) Djibouti (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B)) Eritrea (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B)) Ethiopia (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B))</p>

WEDNESDAY, 21 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued</p> <p>Kenya (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(C)) Sudan (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(E)) Uganda (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(E)) Angola (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(A))</p>	<p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued</p> <p>Botswana (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(A)) Democratic Republic of Congo (ICCD/COP(4)AHWG/1/Add.1) Madagascar (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(C)) Malawi (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(C))</p>

THURSDAY, 22 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued</p> <p>Mozambique (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(D)) South Africa (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(D)) Zambia (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(E)) Zimbabwe (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(E))</p>	<p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued</p> <p>Algeria (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(A)) Egypt (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B)) Libya (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(C)) Morocco (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(D))</p>

FRIDAY, 23 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected African country Parties - continued</p> <p>Mauritania (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.2(B))</p> <p>2. Implementation of the Convention: wrap up session (Africa)</p>	<p>3. Implementation of the Convention: review of reports from developed country Parties and relevant United Nations agencies and other intergovernmental organizations</p> <p>(ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.1; ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.3; ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.4; (ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.5 and (A))</p>

MONDAY, 26 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties Bangladesh (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1) Cambodia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1) India (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1) Indonesia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1)	2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties - continued Iran (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1) Malaysia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2) Myanmar (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2) Nepal (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)

TUESDAY, 27 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties - continued Pakistan (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/add.2) Philippines (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2) Republic of Korea (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2) Singapore (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)	2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties - continued Sri Lanka (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.3) Viet Nam (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.3) Bahrain (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1) Jordan (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1)

WEDNESDAY, 28 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties - continued</p> <p>Kuwait (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1)</p> <p>Lebanon (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)</p> <p>Oman (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)</p> <p>Qatar (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)</p>	<p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties - continued</p> <p>Saudi Arabia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)</p> <p>Syrian Arab Republic (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.3)</p> <p>United Arab Emirates (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.3)</p> <p>Yemen (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.3)</p>

THURSDAY, 29 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of subregional action programmes in Western Asia (ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.1(D))</p> <p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties - continued</p> <p>Kazakhstan (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1)</p> <p>Kyrgystan (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1)</p> <p>3. Implementation of the Convention: review of subregional action programmes in Central Asia (ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.1(D))</p>	<p>4. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Asian country Parties - continued</p> <p>Fiji (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.1)</p> <p>Niue (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)</p> <p>Palau (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.2)</p> <p>Tuvalu (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/2/Add.3)</p>

FRIDAY, 30 MARCH 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	1. Implementation of the Convention: wrap up session (Asia)	2. Implementation of the Convention: review of reports from developed country Parties and relevant United Nations agencies and other intergovernmental organizations (ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.1; ICCD/COP(3)/5/Add.3; ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.4; (ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.5 and (A))

MONDAY, 2 APRIL 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties Mexico (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2) Panama (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2) Guatemala (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)	2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties - continued El Salvador (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1) Costa Rica (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1) Nicaragua (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2) Belize (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)

TUESDAY, 3 APRIL 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties - continued</p> <p>Barbados (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p> <p>Jamaica (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Antigua and Barbuda (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p> <p>Dominican Republic (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p>	<p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties - continued</p> <p>Haiti (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Saint Lucia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Dominica (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p>

WEDNESDAY, 4 APRIL 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties - continued</p> <p>Grenada (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p> <p>Guyana (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Saint Kitts and Nevis (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Peru (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p>	<p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties - continued</p> <p>Brazil (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p> <p>Ecuador (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p> <p>Paraguay (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Uruguay (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p>

THURSDAY, 5 APRIL 2001		
	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from affected Latin America and the Caribbean country Parties - continued</p> <p>Venezuela (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.2)</p> <p>Colombia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/3/Add.1)</p> <p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of subregional activities in Latin America and the Caribbean</p> <p>El Chaco Americano (ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.2(D))</p> <p>La Puna Americana (ICCD/COP(4)/3/Add.2(D))</p> <p>3. Implementation of the Convention: wrap up session (Latin America and the Caribbean)</p>	<p>4. Implementation of the Convention: wrap up session (Latin America and the Caribbean) - continued</p> <p>5. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from Northern Mediterranean and other affected country Parties</p> <p>Spain (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1)</p> <p>Greece (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1)</p> <p>Turkey (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1)</p>

<i>FRIDAY, 6 APRIL 2001</i>		
	<i>10 a.m. - 1 p.m.</i>	<i>3 p.m. - 6 p.m.</i>
A H W G	<p>1. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from Northern Mediterranean and other affected country Parties - continued Israel (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1)</p> <p>2. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from Central and Eastern European affected country Parties Romania (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1) Armenia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1) Azerbaijan (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1)</p>	<p>3. Implementation of the Convention: review of national reports from Central and Eastern European affected country Parties - continued Georgia (ICCD/COP(4)/AHWG/4/Add.1)</p> <p>4. Implementation of the Convention: wrap up session (Northern Mediterranean, Central and Eastern European and other affected country Parties)</p> <p>5. Presentation and adoption of the report</p>

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