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Draft report

Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur:

Chapter _____. Organizational and other matters

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Sustainable Development held its eleventh session on 27 January and from 28 April to 9 May 2003, in accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2001/234. The Commission held ____ meetings (1st to __ meetings, as well as informal meetings and a number of associated activities).
2. At the 2nd meeting, on 28 April, the Chair opened the session and made an opening statement.
3. At the same meeting, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat made an introductory statement.
4. At the same meeting, the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) addressed the Commission.

B. Election of officers

5. At its 1st meeting, on 27 January 2003, the Commission elected the following members of the Bureau by acclamation:

Chair:

Valli **Moosa** (South Africa)

Vice-Chairs:

Nadine **Gouzee** (Belgium)
Bruno **Stagno Ugarte** (Costa Rica)
Irena **Zubcevic** (Croatia)
Hossein **Moeini Meybodi** (Islamic Republic of Iran)

C. Agenda and organization of work

6. At its 2nd meeting, on 28 April, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda, contained in document E/CN.17/2003/1, and approved its organization of work. The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Future programme, organization and methods of work of the Commission on Sustainable Development.
4. Actions and commitments to implement the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development at all levels.
5. Regional implementation forums.
6. Role of the Commission in the preparatory process for the comprehensive review of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States.
7. Other matters.
8. Provisional agenda for the twelfth session of the Commission.
9. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its eleventh session.
10. Closure of the session.

7. At the 6th meeting, on 1 May 2003, the Commission agreed to establish two working groups to be co-chaired as follows: Working Group I, Nadine Gouzee (Belgium) and Hossein Moeini Meybodi (Islamic Republic of Iran); Working Group II, Bruno Stagno Ugarte (Costa Rica) and Irena Zubcevic (Croatia).

D. Attendance

8. The session was attended by representatives of ___ States Members of the Commission on Sustainable Development. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and for the European Community, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system, and secretariats of treaty bodies, as well as observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations also attended. A list of participants is contained in annex ____ to the present report.

[to be completed]

E. Documentation

9. The documents before the Commission at its eleventh session are as follows:
- Provisional agenda and organization of work (E/CN.17/2003/1);
 - Follow-up to the World Summit on Sustainable Development and the future role of the Commission on Sustainable Development: the implementation track (E/CN.17/2003/2);
 - Letter dated 7 February 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (E/CN.17/2003/3);
 - Note by the Secretariat on proposed revisions to subprogramme 4, Sustainable development, of programme 7, Economic and social affairs, of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005 (E/CN.17/2003/4);
 - Note by the Secretariat on the draft programme of work for the biennium 2004-2005 for the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (E/CN.17/2003/5);
 - Programme of meetings and activities (E/CN.17/2003/CRP.1);
 - Summary by the Chairperson on the high-level segment of the eleventh session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (E/CN.17/2003/CRP.2);
 - Summary by the Chairperson on the multi-stakeholder segment of the Commission on Sustainable Development (E/CN.17/2003/CRP.3);
 - Summary of the third meeting of the Global Forum on Sustainable Energy: public-private partnerships for rural energy development, Graz, Austria, 27-29 November 2002 (E/CN.17/2003/BP.1);
 - Report of the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity to the Commission on Sustainable Development (E/CN.17/2003/BP.2);
 - Note by the Secretariat on national reporting to the Commission on Sustainable Development (E/CN.17/2003/BP.3).
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