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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice held its fifteenth session in Vienna from 24 to 28 April 2006. The Commission held [...] meetings. The Chairman of the Commission opened the session and delivered an opening statement. The Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and Julia Ormond, UNODC Goodwill Ambassador on trafficking in human beings, made opening statements. At its opening meeting, the Commission was also addressed by the observer for Kenya (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States), the representative of Bolivia (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China), the observer for Panama (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States) and the observer for the Republic of Moldova (on behalf of GUUAM).

B. Attendance

2. The fifteenth session was attended by representatives of [...] States members of the Commission. Also attending were observers for [...] other States Members of the United Nations, [...] non-member States, representatives of entities of the United Nations system and observers for the institutes of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme network, [...] intergovernmental organizations and [...] non-governmental organizations. A list of participants is contained in annex [...] to the present report.



C. Election of officers

3. The Chairman of the Commission recalled that, in its resolution 2003/31 of 22 July 2003, entitled "Functioning of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice", the Economic and Social Council had decided that, with effect from 2004, the Commission should, at the end of its session, elect its bureau for the subsequent session and encourage it to play an active role in the preparation of the regular as well as the informal intersessional meetings of the Commission.

4. In accordance with Council resolution 2003/31 and rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, immediately following the closure of its fourteenth session, on 27 May 2005, the Commission held a meeting of the fifteenth session for the sole purpose of electing the new chairman and other members of the bureau.

5. On 27 May 2005, the Commission elected the following officers for its fifteenth session:

<i>Office</i>	<i>Regional group</i>	<i>Elected officer</i>
Chairman	Group of Western European and other States	Gabriele de Ceglie (Italy)
Third Vice-Chairman	Group of Eastern European States	Vasyl Pokotylo (Ukraine)

6. During the intersessional period, the Group of Asian States nominated Ali Sarwar Naqvi (Pakistan), who later became unavailable, for the post of first Vice-Chairman designate, and the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States nominated Carmen Lidia Richter Ribeiro Moura (Brazil) as Rapporteur designate.

7. At its opening meeting, on 24 April 2006, in accordance with rule 19 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the Commission elected the first and second Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur. The bureau of the Commission at its fifteenth session was as follows:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Gabriele de Ceglie (Italy)
<i>First Vice-Chairman:</i>	Shahbaz (Pakistan)
<i>Second Vice-Chairman:</i>	Ayman Ahmed Mokhtar El Gammal (Egypt)
<i>Third Vice-Chairman:</i>	Vasyl Pokotylo (Ukraine)
<i>Rapporteur:</i>	Carmen Lidia Richter Ribeiro Moura (Brazil)

8. A group composed of the chairmen of the five regional groups (the observers for or representatives of Bulgaria, Kenya, India, the Netherlands and Panama), as well as the representative of Bolivia (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China) and the representative of Austria (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union), was established to assist the Chairman of the Commission in dealing with organizational matters. That group, together with the elected officers, constituted the extended bureau foreseen in Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/31. During the fifteenth session of the Commission, the extended bureau met on [...] April to consider matters related to the organization of work.

D. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

9. At its 1st meeting, on 24 April, the Commission adopted by consensus its provisional agenda (E/CN.15/2006/1), which had been approved by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 2005/249 of 22 July 2005. The Commission also adopted by consensus the annotations to the provisional agenda and its organization of work, contained in the same document. The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.
4. Thematic discussion on maximizing the effectiveness of technical assistance provided to Member States in crime prevention and criminal justice.
5. Follow-up to the Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.
6. International cooperation in combating transnational crime:
 - (a) United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto;
 - (b) United Nations Convention against Corruption;
 - (c) Preventing, combating and punishing trafficking in human organs;
 - (d) Fraud, the criminal misuse and falsification of identity and related crimes.
7. Strengthening international cooperation and technical assistance in preventing and combating terrorism.
8. Use and application of United Nations standards and norms in crime prevention and criminal justice:
 - (a) Instruments for gathering information on United Nations standards and norms in crime prevention and criminal justice;
 - (b) Protection against trafficking in cultural property;
 - (c) Combating the spread of HIV/AIDS in criminal justice pre-trial and correctional facilities.
9. Strategic management and programme questions:
 - (a) Functioning of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, including its revitalization;
 - (b) Programme questions.
10. Provisional agenda for the sixteenth session of the Commission.
11. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifteenth session.

E. Documentation

10. The documents before the Commission at its fifteenth session are listed in annex [...] to the present report.
