



Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

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Fifth session

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Provisional agenda and annotations

Note by the Secretary-General**

1. The fifth session of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 11 to 15 April 2011. The first meeting of the session will be convened on Monday 11 April at 10 a.m.
2. In accordance with rule 8 of the rules of procedure and in consultation with the Chairperson of the Committee, the Secretary-General has prepared the attached provisional agenda for the fifth session. Annotations to the provisional agenda are also attached.
3. 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.

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Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session.
2. Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee.
3. Election of Chairperson and other officers of the Committee.
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6. Report of the Chairperson on activities undertaken between the third and fifth sessions of the Committee.
7. Adoption of the report of the fourth session of the Committee.
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9. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 35 of the Convention.
10. Adoption of lists of issues on State party reports.
11. Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other competent bodies.
12. Methods of work of the Committee.
13. Future meetings.
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Annotations

1. Opening of the session

The representative of the Secretary-General will open the fifth session of the Committee.

2. 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.”

3. Election of Chairperson and other officers of the Committee

In accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure, the Committee shall elect from amongst its members a Chairperson, three Vice-Chairpersons 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.

4. Adoption of the agenda

Under rule 9 of the Committee’s rules of procedure, the first item on the agenda of 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.

5. Organizational matters

Under this item, the Committee shall consider matters concerning the organization of the current session, in particular the adoption of its programme of work.

6. Report of the Chairperson on activities undertaken between third and fifth sessions of the Committee

Under this item, the Committee will discuss and approve the report of the Chairperson on activities undertaken between the third and fifth sessions.

7. Adoption of the report of the fourth session of the Committee

Under this item, the Committee will adopt the report of the fourth session of the Committee.

8. Submission of reports by States parties under article 35 of the Convention

The Committee has received the following initial reports which are pending consideration by the Committee:

<i>State party</i>	<i>Due</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Symbol</i>
Argentina	2010	6 October 2010	CRPD/C/ARG/1
Australia	2010	3 December 2010	CRPD/C/AUS/1
Austria	2010	2 November 2010	CRPD/C/AUT/1
Azerbaijan	2011	16 February 2011	CRPD/C/AZE/1
China	2010	30 August 2010	CRPD/C/CHN/1
El Salvador	2010	5 January 2011	CRPD/C/SLV/1
Hungary	2010	14 October 2010	CRPD/C/HUN/1
Paraguay	2010	21 October 2010	CRPD/C/PRY/1
Peru	2010	8 July 2010	CRPD/C/PER/1
Spain	2010	3 May 2010	CRPD/C/ESP/1
Sweden	2010	7 February 2011	CRPD/C/SWE/1
Tunisia	2010	1 July 2010	CRPD/C/TUN/1

9. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 35 of the Convention

At its fifth session, the Committee will consider the initial report received from the following State party: Tunisia.

In pursuance of established practice and in conformity with rule 41 of the rules of procedure, the Secretary-General has informed the State party concerned of the tentative dates on which its report is scheduled for consideration by the Committee. A schedule for the consideration of the report submitted is set forth in the annexed timetable.

10. Adoption of lists of issues on State party reports

Under this item, the Committee will adopt a list of issues on the initial report submitted by Spain.

11. Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other competent bodies

Under this item, the Committee will pursue its discussion on how existing cooperation with various relevant bodies could be further strengthened to enhance the promotion and protection of the rights of persons with disabilities.

12. Methods of work of the Committee

Under this item, the Committee will pursue its discussion concerning the organization of its future work, as well as the procedure to be followed in considering reports by States parties and their follow-up, including, where necessary, areas identified for technical assistance.

13. Future meetings

Under this item, the Committee will be informed of any developments relating to its future meetings.

14. Other matters

Under this item, the Committee will discuss such other matters relating to the work of the Committee as may be necessary.

Annex

Tentative programme of work

Monday, 11 April 2011	44th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 1	Opening of the session
		Item 2	Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee
		Item 6	Report of the Chairperson on activities undertaken between third and fifth sessions of the Committee
		Item 3	Election of Chairperson and other officers of the Committee
		Item 5	Organizational matters The adoption of its programme of work
		Item 4	Adoption of the agenda
		Item 7	Adoption of the report of the fourth session of the Committee
		Item 8	Submission of reports by States parties under article 35 of the Convention
		Item 14	Other matters
		Item 11	Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other competent bodies
			45th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)
Item 14	Other matters		
Tuesday, 12 April 2011	46th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 9	Consideration of the initial State party report of Tunisia
	47th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 9	Consideration of the initial State party report of Tunisia
Wednesday, 13 April 2011	48th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 9	Consideration of the initial State party report of Tunisia
	49th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 10	Adoption of lists of issues on State party reports: Spain

Thursday, 14 April 2011	50th meeting	Item 10	Adoption of list of issues on State party reports: Spain
	10 a.m. (closed)		
	51st meeting	Item 5	Organizational matters
	3 p.m. (closed)		
Friday, 15 April 2011	52nd meeting	Item 9	Consideration of the initial State party report of Tunisia
	10 a.m. (closed)	Item 5	Organizational matters
	53rd meeting	Item 14	Other matters
	3 p.m. (closed)	Item 13	Future meetings

The Committee will meet at Palais Wilson, Ground Floor Conference Room
