

Distr.: Limited 23 May 2013

Original: English

Committee for Programme and Coordination Fifty-third session Organizational session, 25 April 2013 Substantive session, 3-28 June 2013 Item 2 of the provisional agenda\* Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

## Status of documentation

### Note by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with paragraph 8 of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX), the fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held at Headquarters from 3 to 28 June 2013.

2. In its resolution 1988/77 on its revitalization, the Council reiterated that the Secretariat should circulate relevant documentation in all working languages six weeks before the opening of sessions of the Council and its subsidiary organs.

3. In its resolution 53/208 B on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly: (a) reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to ensure that documents were available in accordance with the six-week rule for their distribution simultaneously in the six official languages; (b) reaffirmed its decision that, if a report was issued late, the reasons for the delay should be indicated when the report was introduced; and (c) decided that, if a report was submitted late to the conference services, the reasons for the delay should be included in a footnote to the document.

4. In section IV of its resolution 64/230 on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly expressed deep concern at the unprecedented high level of late submission of documentation, which, in turn, had a negative impact on the functioning of intergovernmental bodies, and, reiterating its request in its subsequent resolutions on the pattern of conferences, urged author departments to fully adhere to deadlines in meeting the goal of 90 per cent submission compliance.

5. Also in its resolutions on the pattern of conferences, the latest of which was resolution 67/237, the General Assembly reiterated its request that the Secretary-General direct all departments of the Secretariat to include the following elements in their reports:







- (a) A summary of the report;
- (b) Consolidated conclusions, recommendations and other proposed actions;
- (c) Relevant background information.

6. In those same resolutions, the General Assembly also reiterated its request that all documents submitted to legislative organs by the Secretariat and expert bodies for consideration and action have conclusions and recommendations in bold print.

## Annex

# Status of preparedness of documentation for the fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Agenda item	Document symbol	Title or description	Estimated date of issuance	Status of issuance		
2.	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work					
	E/AC.51/2013/1	Annotated provisional agenda		Issued		
	E/AC.51/2013/L.1	Note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation		Issued		
	E/AC.51/2013/L.2	Note by the Secretariat on the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 59/267)		Issued		
3.	Programme question	IS				
(a)	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015					
	A/68/75	Report of the Secretary-General on consolidated changes to the biennial programme plan as reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 (General Assembly resolutions 58/269, 62/224 and 67/236)	30/31 May			
	A/67/6/Rev.1	Biennial programme plan and priorities for the period 2014-2015		Issued		
	A/68/6 (Sect. 4)	Disarmament	30 May			
	A/68/6 (Sect. 12)	Trade and development	25 May			
	A/68/6 (Sect. 14)	Environment	30 May			
	A/68/6 (Sect. 15)	Human settlements	25/26 May			
	A/68/6 (Sect. 18)	Economic and social development in Africa	25 May			
	A/68/6 (Sect. 19)	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	30 May			
	A/68/74	Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed revisions to the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (General Assembly resolution 67/236)	30 May			

#### E/AC.51/2013/L.1/Rev.1

Agenda item	Document symbol	Title or description	Estimated date of issuance	Status of issuance	
(b)	Evaluation				
	A/68/70	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on strengthening the role of evaluation and the application of evaluation findings on programme design, delivery and policy directives (General Assembly resolution 62/224)		Issued	
	E/AC.51/2013/2	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on programme evaluation of the United Nations Environment Programme (General Assembly resolution 66/8)		Issued	
	E/AC.51/2013/3	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on evaluation of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (General Assembly resolution 66/8)		Issued	
	E/AC.51/2013/4	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on evaluation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (General Assembly resolution 66/8)		Issued	
	E/AC.51/2013/5	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on review of the evaluation capacity of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 66/8)		Issued	
4.	Coordination questions				
(a)	Report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination				
	E/2013/60	Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2012 (Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX))	31 May		
(b)	New Partnership for Africa's Development				
	E/AC.51/2013/6	Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations system support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (General Assembly resolution 60/257)		Issued	
5.	Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit				
	A/67/873	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Strategic planning in the United Nations system"		Issued	
	A/67/873/Add.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Strategic planning in the United Nations system"	31 May		

### E/AC.51/2013/L.1/Rev.1

Agenda item	Document symbol	Title or description	Estimated date of issuance	Status of issuance	
	A/67/867	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Financing for humanitarian operations in the United Nations system"		Issued	
	A/67/867/Add.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Financing for humanitarian operations in the United Nations system"	31 May		
	A/67/400	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Evaluation of UN-Oceans"		Issued	
	A/67/400/Add.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Evaluation of UN-Oceans"		Issued	
6.	Provisional agenda for the fifty-fourth session				
	E/AC.51/2013/L.3	Note by the Secretariat: provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-fourth session of the Committee (Economic and Social Council resolution 1894 (LVII))			
7.	Adoption of the report of the Committee on its fifty-third session				
	E/AC.51/2013/L.4 and addenda	Draft report of the Committee			