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Annotations to the provisional agenda

- 1. Opening of the meeting.
- 2. Election of officers.

In accordance with its rules of procedure (DP/1/Rev.4), the Council will elect a Bureau consisting of a President and four Vice-Presidents. Pursuant to rule 11 (footnote 2), "In electing the Bureau, due account should be taken of the need to ensure equitable geographical representation. In the election of the President, due regard shall be given to the geographical rotation of this office among the different regional groups".

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According to the established pattern of rotation of posts among the various regional groups, the President of the Council for 1987 would be elected from among the Council members of the Western European and other States Group.

The Council may also wish to take into account that the President will be required to designate presiding officers for the Council's Budgetary and Finance Committee and the Drafting Group.

3. Adoption of the agenda.

The provisional agenda and annotations for the organizational meeting is contained in the present document.

The list of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session is contained in document DP/1987/1.

The report on the status of documents for the organizational meeting and the special session is contained in document DP/1987/2.

4. Progress report on rationalization of the work of the Governing Council, including measures taken concerning documentation.

The Secretary of the Governing Council will report orally on steps taken to implement various decisions of the Council regarding the rationalization of its work, in particular decision 81/37,½ and on measures taken concerning the control and limitation of documentation of the Governing Council. The Council will also receive proposals on the possible biennialization of its work programme, which may contribute to a further streamlining of the annual volume of documentation.

5. Matters relating to the work of the Governing Council in 1987.

The Governing Council will have before it for consideration and approval a note by the secretariat (DP/1987/L.2) containing the draft provisional agenda and annotations for the special session, which is scheduled to begin immediately following the organizational meeting and conclude on 20 February 1987.

The list of documents is contained in document DP/1987/1. The report on the status of documents is contained in document DP/1987/2.

The Governing Council will have before it for consideration and approval a note by the secretariat (DP/1987/L.3) containing the draft provisional agenda and a tentative schedule of work for its thirty-fourth session, scheduled to take place at New York from 1 to 26 June 1987.

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In that connection, the Council may also wish to consider which items of the provisional agenda will be allocated to the Budgetary and Finance Committee and the Committee of the Whole, for their consideration. It might also be recalled that, in accordance with paragraph 4(a) of Council decision 81/37, the Budgetary and Finance Committee will have its own agenda and its own organization of work, to be issued in a separate document.

The Council will also have before it a note by the secretariat containing requests for a waiver to the 10-week deadline for certain documents (DP/1987/5).

6. Election of members of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole.

By decision 86/1, paragraph (b), the Governing Council decided that the members of the Working Group shall be elected for a term of one year and shall be eligible for re-election at the end of their term; the election shall take place during the organizational meeting of the Council.

By decision 86/2, the Council elected the members of the Working Group of the Committee of the Whole for a term of one year, to begin upon election and to expire on the day preceding the Council's organizational meeting for 1987.

Accordingly, the Governing Council will have to elect a new membership of the Working Group at its organizational meeting, with the following allocation of seats as established in decision 86/1, paragraph (a):

African States	6 seats
Asian and Pacific States and Yugoslavia	5 seats
Latin American and Caribbean States	4 seats
Western European and other States	9 seats
Eastern European States	2 seats

7. Other matters.

(a) Fourth Cycle Indicative Planning Figure for Namibia.

By its decision 86/29, 1/2 the Governing Council requested that the Administrator, taking into account the need for flexibility and understanding, and in close collaboration with the United Nations Council for Namibia and the Office of the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia, prepare new action-oriented recommendations and proposals to maximize the cost-effective utilization of the increase in the indicative planning figure for Namibia. The Council also requested that the Administrator submit a report in this regard to the Council at its organizational meeting for 1987 with a view to enabling it to consider the approval of additional funds.

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The Council will have before it a note indicating that the Commissioner for Namibia requested that the compilation and discussion of the Administrator's report be postponed until the regular session of the Governing Council in June 1987. Accordingly, the Administrator recommends such a postponement.

Documentation

Indicative Planning Figure for Namibia, Note by the Administrator (DP/1987/3).

Notes

1/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1981, Supplement No. 11 (E/1981/61/Rev. 1), annex I.