Note by the Secretariat on the Committee of the Whole

The Secretariat submits the structure and agenda of the Committee of the Whole as endorsed by the joint Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and Committee of Permanent Representatives at the Second Joint Preparatory Retreat of the Bureaux of the UN Environment Assembly and the Committee of Permanent Representatives, held on 9 – 10 June 2017. The Secretariat, suggests that the joint bureaux meeting consider the items under Agenda item 2: Preparations for the Committee of the Whole at the Joint Meeting of the Bureaux of UN Environment Assembly and Committee of Permanent Representatives to be held on 14 September 2017.

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United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme

Committee of the Whole
Nairobi, 4 December 2017

Provisional agenda for the Committee of the Whole

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda
2. Election of Officers.
3. Organization of work
   a) Preparation of draft resolutions
   b) Budget and Programme Performance, including implementation of the Assembly’s resolutions
   c) Update on the Sixth Global Environment Outlook
5. Adoption of the report.
6. Other matters.
7. Closure of the meeting.
Annotated provisional agenda of the third meeting of the Committee of the Whole

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda
   The Chair of the Committee of the Whole is expected to open the meeting at 11:30 am on Monday 4 December 2017 and propose the adoption of the provisional agenda as set out in UNEP/COW.3/1.

2. Election of Officers.
   Under this agenda item, the meeting will discuss its organization of work. It is expected to establish a working group for the finalization of resolutions and may establish contact groups if needed. The plenary is expected to finalize and take early action on resolutions that do not require discussion in a working group.

3. Organization of the work.
   The Committee is expected to elect a rapporteur as well as the chairs of the working group and any contact groups that may be established.

   The meeting is expected to focus on the conclusions of the consideration at the Third Open-Ended Meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives.

   Under this agenda item, the following items are expected to be considered:

   a) Preparation of draft resolutions
      On the basis of report by the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives and report of the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives, the Committee is expected to establish a working group for the finalization of resolutions and may establish contact group if needed. The plenary is expected to finalize and approve resolutions that do not require discussion in a working group.

   b) Budget and Programme Performance, including implementation of the Assembly’s resolutions
      The Committee is expected to focus on updates of the Executive Director, which have been prepared in response to the various decisions and resolutions of the previous sessions of the Environment Assembly as set out in agenda item 4 of the Third Meeting of Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives.
c) Update on the Sixth Global Environment Outlook.
The Committee is expected to endorse the draft decision on changing the date for conclusion of the Sixth Global Environment Outlook to 2019 as recommended by the Open-Ended Committee of Permanent Representatives.

5. Adoption of the report.
The Committee is expected to adopt its draft report.

6. Other matters.
The Committee will consider any other matters related to its work.

7. Closure of the meeting.
The meeting is expected to conclude its work by 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 4 December 2017.
# Proposed Structure of the Committee of the Whole of the Third Session of the Environment Assembly

26 May 2017

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| 8:00 - 10:00 | Regional Groups Meetings  
Bureau Meetings |
| 10:00 - 11:30 | 2017 Environment Assembly  
Opening Plenary  
- Functional opening [President and Executive Director]  
- Report by the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives and possible actions on resolutions  
- Establishment of the Committee of the Whole  
- General statements from Regional and Political Groups continued by National Statements |
| 11:30 - 1:00 | Committee of the Whole  
- Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda  
  - Statement by ED or his representative  
  - Election of Officers  
  - Organization of the work  
- Report of the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives on Preparation of draft resolutions  
  - Introduction of draft resolutions *(if any)* |
| 13:00 - 15:00 | Break |
| 15:00 - 18:00 | Committee of the Whole  
Plenary Session  
- Budget and Programme Performance, including implementation of the Assembly’s resolutions *(continued)*  
  - Update on the Sixth Global Environmental Outlook |
| 18:00 - 19:00 | Break |
| 19:00 - 21:00 | Committee of the Whole  
- Approval of draft resolutions and adoption of the report  
  - Other matters  
  - Closure of the meeting |

**Host Country Reception**

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