

Committee of Permanent Representatives
Bureau Meeting
Wednesday 2 August 2017
11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.,
United Nations Office at Nairobi, Gigiri
Executive Office Boardroom
Agenda Item 3

Note by the Secretariat of the Organization of Work of the Bureau

The Secretariat is pleased to present a note in support of discussions under agenda item 3 on the organization of work of the Bureau during inter-sessional period up to the third Open Ended meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives. Annex one, contains a preliminary proposal for consultations on resolutions during this period. Annex two presents possible areas to guide the division of work among Bureau members. Annex three contains subject areas for draft resolutions based on communication by Member States. The note has been revised based on discussions at Committee Bureau meeting held on 6 July 2017.

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Annex One: Preliminary Proposal on Consultations on Resolutions during the Inter-Sessional Period up to The Third Open Ended Meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives

Considerations

- Maximum number of Resolutions (Estimate 10)
- Proposed number of clusters (2)
- Maximum number of readings per resolutions in Sub-Committee setting bearing in mind that some resolutions may not undergo such readings (2)
- Start date for inter-sessional period of consultations on resolutions: 7 September 2017
- Time for sponsor led informal consultations ahead of first Sub-committee reading
- More time for consultations with capitals and regional groups between readings
- Sufficient time for sound and timely document management
- Send off date for draft resolutions: 140th meeting of the Committee: 12 October 2017

Date	Agenda	Remarks
7 September 2017	Organization of work	Start of inter-sessional period of consultations
19 September 2017	Cluster one	First reading
21 September 2017	Cluster two	First reading
28 September 2017	Cluster one	Second reading
3 October 2017	Cluster two	Second reading
5 October 2017	Procedural matters	
10 October 2017	All	Endorsement of draft resolutions
12 October 2017	140 th Meeting of the Committee	Send off to 3 rd Open Ended Meeting of the Committee

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Annex Two: Possible Division of Work among Bureau Members

AREA	RESPONSIBILITY	REMARKS
Overall Coordination	Overall Leadership and Coordination, sensitive issues, Ministerial Outcome document	Chair
Cluster One	Sound Management of Chemicals, Air Pollution Cross Cutting Issues	
Cluster Two	Marine, Water and Land Pollution	
Procedural matters	Date and agenda of next Session of the Assembly and any other procedural matters	

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Annex Three: Subject Matter for Draft Resolutions

THEME	SUBJECT MATTER	RESOLUTION STATUS
Air Pollution	Air quality	Substantially improve air quality in cities to within healthy levels for human consumption <i>(Submitted Sudan)</i>
Water Pollution	Water quality monitoring	
	(Fresh) Water pollution	
Marine Pollution	Marine litter and micro-plastics	Outline received from Norway
	Marine pollution	
Land Pollution	Soil pollution	
Sound management of Chemicals and Waste	Lead in paint	Eliminating Exposure to Lead Paint <i>(Submitted U.S.A.)</i>
Cross-cutting Issues	Innovative Solution Partnerships Platforms	
	Environment and Health Nexus	Provisional note on proposal for a resolution on Environment and Health, (received from European Union and its Member States)
	Pollution in areas affected by armed conflict	
Procedural Matters	Date and agenda of the 4 th Session of the Assembly	