

TURKEY'S COMMENTS (9 and 10 October 2019)

Process for review by the CPR

- Turkey welcomes the consolidated proposal by the Chair for a consensual process for CPR-based review.
- We are ready to engage constructively in this process to fulfil the mandate given by UNEA-4 Resolution No.2.
- We would like to thank Secretariat for providing us a plethora of options.
- All these options merit considering and befit the approach of thinking out of the box.
- Still, from our standpoint, the principle that will guide us during the CPR-based review process should be “do not try to fix it, if it is not broken”.
- This is especially relevant for the options that may escalate to the level requiring amendments for Rules of Procedure.
- Taking such a direction may result in losing precious time in debates and divert focus from the target of improving the current procedures.
- As an example, we find the proposal to rename OECPR as PrepCom appealing, only if we can avoid a discussion on rules of procedure.
- We believe the main difficulty to handle many resolutions prior to UNEA-4 stemmed from inefficient use of time.
- We observed that time and meetings before the OECPR were not effectively utilized to discuss and streamline draft resolutions.
- We will be ready to consider proposals towards making better use of CPR SubCommittee and Informal Working Groups prior to OECPR.
- We can also entertain certain measures that would reinforce the efforts to consolidate and merge draft resolutions timely.

Implementation and follow-up of UNEA Resolutions

- We would like to thank Secretariat for laying out three options to improve reporting mechanisms in line with UNEA-4/Res.22.
- We believe all three options have their own merits.
- We should take into account the fact that the real intention behind this resolution is how to improve implementation. This eventually should go hand in hand with a genuine effort to lower reporting burden.
- With these in mind, we do not see Option I improving the status quo.
- Option II and III remain as the real viable choices in front of us.

- We should aim towards making full use of web-based monitoring mechanism to ensure transparency and oversight while reducing duplications and eliminating the need for excessive reporting and presentations.
- In that vein, Option III, “the minimalist” approach stands out as our preferred option, as it enforces and centralizes the use of the online mechanism.
- Nevertheless, we will not object to further considering this issue during the CPR-based process with a view to converging Options II and III.