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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the twentieth session

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10 a.m. on
Tuesday, 11 January 2011*

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
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10. Presentation of the main decisions taken and closing of the session.

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II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda

1. This provisional agenda was prepared by the secretariat in agreement with the Chair, in accordance with rule 9 of the operating rules of the Implementation Committee, adopted by the fourth session of the Meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.EIA/10, decision IV/2, annex IV).

2. Follow-up to decision IV/2 regarding Ukraine (paras. 7–14)

2. Discussion under this agenda item will not be open to observers, unless the Committee decides otherwise, further to rule 17 of the operating rules.

3. The Committee is expected to continue its review of the strategy adopted by the Government of Ukraine to implement the provisions of the Convention, further to a request by the Meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.EIA/10, decision IV/2, para. 12).

4. The Committee is also expected to continue its review of information provided by the Government of Ukraine regarding the negotiation of bilateral agreements or other arrangements with neighbouring Parties, further to a request by the Meeting of the Parties (decision IV/2, para. 14).

3. Follow-up to decision IV/2 regarding Armenia (paras. 15–19)

5. Discussion under this agenda item will not be open to observers, unless otherwise decided, as above.

6. The Committee is expected to continue its review of steps being taken by the Government of Armenia to implement fully the Convention (decision IV/2, para. 19).

4. Submissions

7. Discussion under this agenda item will not be open to observers, except if invited by the Committee.

8. The Committee will examine any submissions by Parties received since the Committee's previous session.

5. Committee initiative

9. Discussion under this agenda item will not be open to observers, unless otherwise decided (see para. 2).

10. The Committee is expected to consider further its initiative on Azerbaijan.

11. The Committee is expected to consider replies from Belarus and the Republic of Moldova regarding activities proposed or implemented in their countries.

12. In accordance with rule 15 of its operating rules, the Committee will also consider other information provided by sources regarding the implementation of the Convention.

6. Third review of implementation

13. The secretariat will report on the status of the draft third review of implementation in preparation for the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.EIA/10, decision IV/1, para. 5). The secretariat will also list those Parties that have not submitted by 31 December 2010 completed questionnaires on their implementation of the Convention.

7. Structure, functions and operating rules

14. The Committee is expected to keep under review and, if necessary, to develop its structure and functions, as well as its operating rules, in the light of the experience it has gained (ECE/MP.EIA/10, decision IV/2, para. 6).

8. Preparations for the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties

15. The Chair will report on the relevant outcomes of the third session of the Meeting of the Signatories to the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (22–23 November 2010) and the fourteenth meeting of the Working Group on Environmental Impact Assessment (24–26 November 2010). The Committee is expected to discuss preparations for the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties, including drafts of a decision on the review of compliance and of the Committee's report on its activities (ECE/MP.EIA/6, annex II, decision III/2, appendix).

9. Other business

16. Members of the Committee wishing to raise other business should contact the Chair and the secretariat as soon as possible.

10. Presentation of the main decisions taken and closing of the session

17. The Committee is expected to agree on the main decisions taken at the meeting and to confirm the date and location of its next session before the Chair formally closes the session.
