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**Annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of
work**

Provisional agenda

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Annotations

1. Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the meeting

The meeting of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Technical Assistance will be convened on Monday, 1 October 2007, at 10 a.m.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The provisional agenda for the meeting was prepared in accordance with resolution 1/5, entitled "Technical assistance", adopted by the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption at its first session, held in Amman from 10 to 14 December 2006.

The proposed organization of work (see annex) was prepared pursuant to resolution 1/5 to facilitate consideration of the agenda items within the time and in accordance with the conference services available to the Working Group.

The resources available for the meeting permit the holding of two plenary meetings per day with full interpretation in the official languages of the United Nations.

2. Implementation of the mandate on technical assistance of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Conventions against Corruption

In its resolution 1/5, the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption decided to establish an interim open-ended intergovernmental working group, in accordance with article 63, paragraph 4, of the United Nations Convention against Corruption, and rule 2, paragraph 2, of the rules of procedure of the Conference of the States Parties, to advise and assist the Conference in the implementation of its mandate on technical assistance.

In the same resolution, the Conference of the States Parties also decided that the working group should perform the following functions:

(a) Review the needs for technical assistance in order to assist the Conference on the basis of the information provided by States to the Conference;

(b) Provide guidance on priorities, based on programmes approved by the Conference and its directives;

(c) Consider information gathered through the self-assessment checklist approved by the Conference;

(d) Consider information, as appropriate and readily available and in the areas covered by the Convention, on technical assistance activities of the Secretariat and States, including successful practices, as well as on projects and priorities of States, other entities of the United Nations system and international organizations;

(e) Promote the coordination of technical assistance in order to avoid duplication.

Also in the same resolution, the Conference of the States Parties decided that the working group should meet during the sessions of the Conference and as appropriate and, utilizing existing resources, should hold at least one intersessional meeting.

The Conference also decided that the working group should submit to it reports on its activities.

In its resolution 1/2, entitled “Information-gathering mechanism on the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption”, the Conference of the States Parties decided that a self-assessment checklist should be used as a tool to facilitate the provision of information on implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption prior to the second session of the Conference, and urged States parties, and invited signatories, to complete and return the checklist to the Secretariat within the deadline identified by the Secretariat.

In the same resolution, the Conference of the States Parties requested the Secretariat, within existing resources, to collate and analyse information provided by States parties and signatories through the self-assessment checklist or other means and to share that information and analysis with the relevant open-ended intergovernmental working groups established by the Conference.

Also in the same resolution, the Conference of the States Parties agreed that that resolution was not intended to prejudge the work of any open-ended working group created by the Conference or to form the exclusive basis for information to be considered by any such group in the performance of its functions.

Documentation

Background paper prepared by the Secretariat on best practices and coordination for effective technical assistance (CAC/COSP/WG.3/2007/2)

3. Conclusions and recommendations

The Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group is expected to submit its recommendations on the appropriate mechanisms for effective implementation of technical assistance to the Conference of the States Parties at its second session, for consideration and action.

4. Adoption of the report

The working group is to adopt a report on its meeting, the draft of which will be prepared by the Secretariat.

Annex

Proposed organization of work

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
Monday, 1 October	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1 (a)	Opening of the meeting
		1 (b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	3-6 p.m.	2 (a)	Review of needs for technical assistance
		2 (a)	Review of needs for technical assistance (<i>continuation</i>)
Tuesday, 2 October	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2 (b)	Guidance on priorities for technical assistance
		2 (b)	Guidance on priorities for technical assistance (<i>continuation</i>)
	3-6 p.m.	2 (c)	Coordination on technical assistance activities
		2 (c)	Coordination on technical assistance activities (<i>continuation</i>)
		2 (d)	Mobilization of resources
		3	Conclusions and recommendations
	4	Adoption of the report	