

**Annex to the methodology for conducting the work of the Ad Hoc Committee at its sixth session,
proposed by the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee**

**Discussion order of the articles of the draft text of the convention
at the plenary meetings of the sixth session of the Ad Hoc
Committee**

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To facilitate the consideration of the draft text of the convention at the plenary meetings of the sixth session of the Ad Hoc Committee and ensure the efficiency of work within the allocated time, the Committee Chair proposes that the articles of the draft text of the convention be divided into 21 thematic groups and in principle considered in the order presented in the current document. Furthermore, the identification as early as practical of the articles requiring further discussion at informal meetings was taken into account when establishing the discussion order. The thematic groups and their discussion order remains indicative and may be adapted by the Committee Chair during the conduct of the session, as needed, on the basis of the progress of work of the Ad Hoc Committee.

- **Group 1:**
 - **Article 1.** Statement of purpose

- **Group 2:**
 - **Article 2.** Use of terms

- **Group 3:**
 - **Article 4.** Protection of sovereignty
 - **Article 22.** Jurisdiction

- **Group 4:**
 - **Article 3.** Scope of application
 - **Article 23.** Scope of procedural measures
 - **Article 35.** General principles of international cooperation
 - **Article 17.** Offences relating to other international treaties
 - **Article 61.** Relation with protocols

- **Group 5:**
 - **Article 5.** Respect for human rights
 - **Article 24.** Conditions and safeguards

- **Group 6:**
 - **Article 25.** Expedited preservation of stored [computer data] [digital information]
 - **Article 26.** Expedited preservation and partial disclosure of traffic data
 - **Article 27.** Production order
 - **Article 28.** Search and seizure of stored [computer data] [digital information]
 - **Article 29.** Real-time collection of traffic data
 - **Article 30.** Interception of content data

- **Group 7:**
 - **Article 13.** Offences related to online child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation material
 - **Article 14.** Solicitation of a child for sexual purposes through [a computer system] [an information and communications technologies device]
 - **Article 15.** Non-consensual dissemination of intimate images

- **Group 8:**
 - **Article 11.** Computer-related forgery
 - **Article 12.** Computer-related theft or fraud

- **Group 9:**
 - **Article 6.** Illegal access
 - **Article 7.** Illegal interception
 - **Article 8.** Interference with [computer data] [digital information]
 - **Article 9.** Interference with [a computer system] [an information and communications technologies device]
 - **Article 10.** Misuse of devices

- **Group 10**
 - **Article 36.** Protection of personal data

- **Group 11:**
 - **Article 40.** General principles and procedures relating to mutual legal assistance
 - **Article 42.** Expedited preservation of stored [computer data] [digital information]
 - **Article 43.** Expedited disclosure of preserved traffic data
 - **Article 44.** Mutual legal assistance in accessing stored [computer data] [digital information]
 - **Article 45.** Mutual legal assistance in the real-time collection of traffic data
 - **Article 46.** Mutual legal assistance in the interception of content data

- **Group 12:**
 - **Article 37.** Extradition
 - **Article 38.** Transfer of sentenced persons
 - **Article 39.** Transfer of criminal proceedings

- **Group 13**
 - **Article 18.** Liability of legal persons
 - **Article 19.** Participation and attempt
 - **Article 20.** Statute of limitations
 - **Article 21.** Prosecution, adjudication and sanctions
 - **Article 32.** Establishment of criminal record

- **Group 14:**
 - **Article 33.** Protection of witnesses
 - **Article 34.** Assistance to and protection of victims

- **Group 15:**
 - **Article 41.** 24/7 network
 - **Article 47.** Law enforcement cooperation
 - **Article 48.** Joint investigations

- **Group 16**
 - **Article 16.** Laundering of proceeds of crime
 - **Article 31.** Freezing, seizure and confiscation of the proceeds of crime
 - **Article 49.** Mechanisms for the recovery of property through international cooperation in confiscation
 - **Article 50.** International cooperation for the purposes of confiscation
 - **Article 51.** Special cooperation
 - **Article 52.** Return and disposal of confiscated proceeds of crime or property

- **Group 17:**
 - **Article 53.** Preventive measures

- **Group 18:**
 - **Article 54.** Technical assistance and capacity-building
 - **Article 55.** Exchange of information
 - **Article 56.** Implementation of the Convention through economic development and technical assistance

- **Group 19:**
 - **Article 57.** Conference of the States Parties to the Convention
 - **Article 58.** Secretariat

- **Group 20:**
 - **Article 59.** Implementation of the Convention
 - **Article 60.** Effects of the Convention
 - **Article 62.** Settlement of disputes
 - **Article 63.** Signature, ratification, acceptance, approval and accession
 - **Article 64.** Entry into force
 - **Article 65.** Amendment
 - **Article 66.** Denunciation
 - **Article 67.** Depositary and languages

- **Group 21:**
 - **Preamble:** to be discussed last, without prejudice to the possibility of specific preambular paragraphs being discussed earlier, if relevant to any of the above-mentioned groups of articles.
