

DECISIONS

ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION FOR 1991

1991/201. Establishment of an ad hoc committee of the whole of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 7 February 1991, the Economic and Social Council, recalling General Assembly resolution 45/179 of 21 December 1990 on the enhancement of the United Nations structure for drug abuse control, by which the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its thirty-fourth session was requested to consider ways and means of improving its functioning as a policy-making body and to submit its recommendations to the Council at its first regular session of 1991; recognizing that the mandate given by the General Assembly in resolution 45/179 concerning the improvement of the functioning of the Commission should be implemented forthwith; and taking note of the proposal made by the Chairman and the Bureau of the Commission to the Secretary-General¹⁰⁴ that the Commission should establish an ad hoc committee of the whole which would meet for four to five days simultaneously with the Commission at its thirty-fourth session in order to enable the Commission to consider this important question in depth and that the ad hoc committee of the whole should be provided with full interpretation in the six official languages, decided to request the Commission to establish, in accordance with the proposal of the Chairman and the Bureau of the Commission, an ad hoc committee of the whole at its thirty-fourth session, following the relevant procedures of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

1991/202. Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 1991

A. Major policy theme for the special high-level meeting of the Council with ministerial participation in 1991 (Geneva, 4 and 5 July 1991)

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 7 February 1991, the Economic and Social Council confirmed, pursuant to its decision 1990/205 of 9 February 1990, that the major policy theme to be considered at its special high-level meeting with ministerial participation in 1991 would be "The impact of the recent evolution of East-West relations on the growth of the world economy, in particular on the economic growth and development of the developing countries, as well as on international economic cooperation".

B. Items for consideration at the first regular session of 1991 (New York, 7-31 May 1991)

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 7 February 1991, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the

proposed basic programme of work for 1991 and 1992 submitted by the Secretary-General,¹⁰⁵ approved the following list of items for consideration at its first regular session of 1991:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters¹⁰⁶
2. Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination
3. Non-governmental organizations
4. United Nations University
5. Statistical and cartographic questions:
 - (a) Statistics
 - (b) Cartography
6. World social situation
7. Social development
8. Human rights questions
9. Advancement of women
10. Narcotic drugs¹⁰⁷
11. Elections and nominations
12. Provisional agenda for the second regular session of 1991

C. Allocation of items for the first regular session of 1991

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 7 February 1991, the Economic and Social Council decided to allocate the items for consideration at its first regular session of 1991 as follows:

Items for consideration in plenary meeting

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
2. Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination
3. Non-governmental organizations
4. United Nations University
5. Statistical and cartographic questions:
 - (a) Statistics
 - (b) Cartography
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Items for consideration by the Second (Social) Committee

6. World social situation
7. Social development
8. Human rights questions

¹⁰⁵ E/1991/1 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

¹⁰⁶ Under this item the Council will hear oral reports on emergency assistance to Somalia (General Assembly resolution 45/229) and on emergency assistance for the economic and social rehabilitation of Liberia (Assembly resolution 45/232).

¹⁰⁷ To be considered by the Council at its resumed first regular session of 1991.

¹⁰⁴ See E/1991/12.