



Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime

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Meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto

Vienna, 24-26 April 2017

Annotated provisional agenda

Provisional agenda

1. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Opening of the meeting;
 - (b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
2. Consideration of a first draft of the procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2.
3. Other matters.
4. Adoption of the report.

Annotations

1. Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the meeting

The open-ended intergovernmental meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto will be opened on Monday, 24 April 2017, at 10 a.m.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

In its resolution 8/2, entitled “Mechanism for the review of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto”, the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime decided to continue the process of establishing the

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mechanism for the review of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto based on the recommendations contained in the report on the intergovernmental meeting to explore all options regarding an appropriate and effective review mechanism for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto, held in Vienna on 6 and 7 June 2016.

In the same resolution, the Conference decided to elaborate specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for consideration and adoption by the Conference at its ninth session, which shall be guided by the principles and characteristics set out in Conference resolution 5/5, and also decided to include in the specific procedures and rules certain elements as listed in the resolution.

Also in resolution 8/2, the Conference requested the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to convene, within existing resources from the regular budget and without prejudice to other mandated activities, at least one open-ended intergovernmental meeting, with interpretation, for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism, and invited States parties to remain engaged in the process, including during the intersessional period.

At its meeting held on 8 February 2017, the extended Bureau of the Conference agreed that the open-ended intergovernmental meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto would take place from 24 to 26 April 2017. The provisional agenda for the meeting was approved by the extended Bureau at the same meeting.

The proposed organization of work, contained in the annex to the present document, was prepared in accordance with Conference resolution 8/2 in order to enable the open-ended intergovernmental meeting to perform its mandated functions within the time and according to the conference services available to it. The resources available will permit the holding of five plenary meetings during two and a half days, with interpretation in the six official languages of the United Nations.

2. Consideration of a first draft of the procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2

As noted above, in its resolution 8/2, the Conference decided to elaborate specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for consideration and adoption by the Conference at its ninth session. For its consideration of this item, the open-ended intergovernmental meeting will have before it a note by the Secretariat containing draft procedures and rules of the mechanism for the review of the implementation of the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto (CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/2).

Also in resolution 8/2, the Conference requested the Secretariat, within existing resources, to support the process of establishing the mechanism for the review of the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols, in particular by providing adequate estimates of costs and indicating measures, where possible, that allow for such costs to be funded from its existing resources and workload, where appropriate. The open-ended intergovernmental meeting will also have for its consideration a note by the Secretariat containing the breakdown of costs for the envisaged review mechanism (CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/3), which is complementary to the note containing the draft procedures and rules.

Furthermore, in the same resolution, the Conference underlined that the review mechanism shall be cost-effective, concise and user-friendly and that it should make optimal and efficient use of existing information, tools, resources and technology so

that it would not impose an undue burden on States parties, their central authorities and experts involved in the review process. A note by the Secretariat on existing information, tools, resources and technology for the review of the implementation of the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto will be made available to the meeting for its consideration, as a conference room paper (CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/CRP.1).

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat containing draft procedures and rules of the mechanism for the review of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto (CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/2)

Note by the Secretariat containing the breakdown of costs for the mechanism for the review of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto (CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/3)

Note by the Secretariat on existing information, tools, resources and technology for the review of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols (CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/CRP.1)

3. Other matters

As no issues to be raised under item 3 have come to the attention of the Secretariat, no documentation regarding this item is currently foreseen.

4. Adoption of the report

Under this item, a report on the open-ended intergovernmental meeting will be adopted.

Annex**Proposed organization of work**

<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Title and description</i>
Monday, 24 April		
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	Consideration of a first draft of the procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2
	2	Consideration of a first draft of the procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2 (<i>continued</i>)
Tuesday, 25 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Consideration of a first draft of the procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2 (<i>continued</i>)
3-6 p.m.	2	Consideration of a first draft of the procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2 (<i>continued</i>)
Wednesday, 26 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	3	Other matters
	4	Adoption of the report