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Addendum

Annotations

1. Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the session

The resumed seventh session of the Implementation Review Group will be convened on Monday, 14 November 2016, at 10 a.m., in the Vienna International Centre, C-Building, Boardroom D.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The agenda for the seventh session of the Implementation Review Group was adopted by the Group at the first part of its seventh session, held from 20 to 24 June 2016. The proposed organization of work for the resumed seventh session (see annex) was prepared in line with the guidance provided by the Conference and the Group, in order to enable consideration of the agenda items within the time and resources available.

The resources available will permit the holding of six plenary meetings with interpretation in the six official languages of the United Nations.

2. Review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

Drawing of lots

On the margins of the first part of the seventh session, lots were drawn for the selection of States parties under review and reviewing States parties, in accordance with paragraphs 14 and 19 of the terms of reference of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption.



During the resumed seventh session, lots may be drawn to select the reviewing States parties for any States parties requesting redraws.

Progress report

The Secretariat will provide an oral update on progress made in the conduct of the reviews in the first and the second review cycles.

With regard to the first review cycle, this update will focus on the responses received to the self-assessment checklist, the direct dialogues carried out and the executive summaries and country review reports finalized. For the second cycle, the update will focus on the nominations of focal points and governmental experts received by the Secretariat, the first teleconferences held and the responses received to the self-assessment checklist.

Outcome of reviews

Pursuant to paragraph 36 of the terms of reference, the executive summaries of the country review reports finalized by the time of the resumed seventh session will be translated and made available in the six official languages of the United Nations as documents of the Implementation Review Group for information purposes only. In addition, several executive summaries will be made available as conference room papers and will subsequently be made available in all six official languages to the Group at its eighth session, in June 2017.

Conduct of the second review cycle

In its resolution 6/1, the Conference requested the Group to consider adopting a multi-year workplan to continue its analytical work during the period 2016-2019, designating the information on successes, good practices, challenges, observations and technical assistance needs emanating from the country reviews of one of four chapters (II, III, IV or V) of the Convention as the main topic for each session or reconvened session. Working papers prepared by two delegations and a note by the Secretariat were submitted to the Group to facilitate deliberations at its seventh session (CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/CRP.2, CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/CRP.17 and CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/CRP.18).

Documentation

Executive summary of country review report (first year of the first cycle)
(CAC/COSP/IRG/I/1/1/Add.19)

Executive summaries of country review reports (second year of the first cycle)
(CAC/COSP/IRG/I/2/1/Add.35-36)

Executive summaries of country review reports (third year of the first cycle)
(CAC/COSP/IRG/I/3/1/Add.26-29)

Executive summaries of country review reports (fourth year of the first cycle)
(CAC/COSP/IRG/I/4/1/Add.40-42)

3. Performance of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

In its decision 5/1, the Conference of the States Parties decided that the Implementation Review Group should include a new item on the agenda of its future sessions allowing for discussion of relevant information, collected with the support of the Secretariat, in order to facilitate the assessment of the performance of the Review Mechanism and its terms of reference, in accordance with paragraph 48 of the terms of reference, following the completion of the first review cycle.

The Conference also decided that, in the collection of such information, the Group should take into account future requirements for follow-up in accordance with paragraphs 40 and 41 of the terms of reference.

In its resolution 6/1, the Conference encouraged States parties to continue voluntarily sharing information on good practices, experiences and relevant measures taken after the completion of their country review reports, including information on technical assistance, and to consider providing such information to the Secretariat for publication on its website (see www.unodc.org/unodc/en/treaties/CAC/IRG-session7-resumed.html). Subsequently, a note verbale was sent by the Secretariat inviting States to outline steps they had taken in that regard. A compilation of the responses received is made available to the Group at its resumed seventh session (CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/12).

Documentation

Good practices, experiences and relevant measures taken after the completion of the country reviews, including information related to technical assistance (CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/12)

4. Technical assistance

In its resolution 3/1, the Conference of the States Parties decided that the Implementation Review Group would be in charge of following up and continuing the work undertaken previously by the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Technical Assistance.

To facilitate deliberations, the Secretariat has prepared a report containing consolidated information on technical assistance provided and activities undertaken by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to support the implementation of the Convention at the global, regional and national levels (CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/11).

In its resolution 6/1, the Conference invited States parties under review, together with the Secretariat, to jointly inform the local representatives of international, bilateral and multilateral technical assistance providers and donors, as well as relevant non-governmental organizations, where appropriate, about the technical assistance needs identified in the country review. The Secretariat will provide an updated analysis of the technical assistance needs emerging from the country reviews (CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/13).

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on technical assistance provided in support of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (CAC/COSP/2016/11)

Good practices, experiences and relevant measures taken after the completion of the country reviews, including information related to technical assistance (CAC/COSP/IRG/2016/12)

Note by the Secretariat on analysis of technical assistance needs emerging from the country reviews (CAC/COSP/2016/13)

5. Financial and budgetary matters

In its resolution 3/1, the Conference of the States Parties underlined that the Review Mechanism would require a budget that ensured its efficient, continued and impartial functioning. Pursuant to that resolution, the General Assembly, in its resolution 64/237, requested the Secretary-General to ensure that the Mechanism was adequately funded.

In its resolution 4/1, the Conference decided that the Implementation Review Group should assist it in the fulfilment of its responsibility to consider the budget biennially by engaging with the Secretariat during the intersessional period with regard to expenditures and projected costs related to the Mechanism.

At its resumed seventh session, the Group will have before it a note by the Secretariat (CAC/COSP/2016/10) containing budgetary information on expenditures incurred so far for the operation of the Mechanism, resources received at the time of writing, both from the regular budget and from voluntary contributions, projected expenditures for the first and second cycles and the current shortfall on resource requirements for the functioning of the Mechanism.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on financial and budgetary matters (CAC/COSP/2016/10)

6. Other matters

The Implementation Review Group may wish to discuss any other matters.

8. Adoption of the report of the Implementation Review Group on its seventh session

The Implementation Review Group is to adopt a report on its resumed seventh session, the draft of which will be prepared by the Secretariat.

Annex

Proposed organization of work

<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
Monday, 14 November		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1 (a)	Opening of the session
	1 (b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	3	Performance of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption
3-6 p.m.	3	Performance of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (<i>continued</i>)
Tuesday, 15 November		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	3	Performance of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (<i>continued</i>)
	2	Review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption
3-6 p.m.	2	Review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (<i>continued</i>)
	4	Technical assistance
Wednesday, 16 November		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	4	Technical assistance (<i>continued</i>)
	5	Financial and budgetary matters
3-6 p.m.	6	Other matters
	8	Adoption of the report of the Implementation Review Group on its resumed seventh session