



General Assembly Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole

**27 and 28 June 2011
United Nations, New York**

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Monday, 27 June 2011

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Item 1. Opening of the meeting

1. The Co-Chairs will open the proceedings and make opening remarks.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda

2. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider and adopt the agenda for the meeting. The schedule of agenda items is indicative: agenda items may be advanced depending on the progress made in the discussions.

Item 3. Organization of work

3. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the proposed organization of work for the meeting.

Item 4. Consideration and adoption of the revised draft documents requested pursuant to paragraph 5 of resolution 65/37 B of 4 April 2011:

(a) Draft guidelines for workshops

(b) Draft criteria for the appointment of experts

4. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider and adopt the revised draft documents prepared pursuant to paragraph 5 of resolution 65/37 B of April 2011. The revised draft documents are contained in the Annexes to the covering document entitled, “Revised draft documents for the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process”, which is available on the website. The Group of Experts will briefly introduce the Annexes.



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Item 4. Consideration and adoption of the revised draft documents requested pursuant to paragraph 5 of resolution 65/37 B of 4 April 2011 (continued):

(c) Possible outline for the first global integrated assessment of the state of the marine environment, including socio-economic aspects

5. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider and adopt the revised draft documents prepared pursuant to paragraph 5 of resolution 65/37 B of April 2011. The revised draft documents are contained in the Annexes to the covering document entitled, “Revised draft documents for the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process”, which is available on the website. The Group of Experts will briefly introduce the Annexes.

Item 5. Consideration of the establishment of a bureau to implement decisions and guidance of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole during intersessional periods

6. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the establishment of a bureau to implement decisions and guidance of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole during intersessional periods. Proposals for the establishment of a bureau are contained in paragraph 11 of the report of the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole (A/65/759).

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Item 6. Consideration of terms of reference and working methods for the Group of Experts and of provisions for communication with States

7. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the terms of reference and working methods for the Group of Experts and of provisions for communication with States, as recommended in paragraph 12 of the Annex to the report of the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole (A/65/759). The document entitled, “Draft Terms of Reference and Working Methods for the Group of Experts of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socio-economic Aspects”, dated 24 June 2011, is available on the website. The Group of Experts will briefly introduce the document.

Item 7. Consideration of the requests made pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 6 of resolution 65/37 B of 4 April 2011:

(a) Report on the establishment of appropriate means to address the communication requirements of the Regular Process, having in mind the need to avoid duplication of efforts



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(b) Report on means of leveraging existing systems to manage the information that comprises the foundation of the global marine assessment

8. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the report prepared pursuant to paragraph 2 and 6 of resolution 65/37 B of April 2011. The report entitled, “Report on communication requirements and data and information management for the Regular Process”, dated 24 June 2011, is available on the website. The report responds to the related requests on the establishment of appropriate means to address the communication requirements and the means of leveraging existing systems to manage the information that comprises the foundation of the global marine assessment. The Group of Experts will briefly introduce the report. The Office of Information and Communication Technology of the Secretariat of the United Nations will make a statement.

3 – 6 p.m.

Item 8. Consideration of the report requested pursuant to paragraph 3 of resolution 65/37 B of 4 April 2011:

(a) Preliminary inventory of capacity-building for assessments

(b) Preliminary inventory of types of experts for workshops

9. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to consider the report prepared pursuant to paragraph 3 of resolution 65/37 B of April 2011. The report entitled, “Report on preliminary inventory of capacity-building for assessments and types of experts for workshops”, dated 22 June 2011, is available on the website. The secretariat of the Regular Process and the Group of Experts will briefly introduce the report.

Item 9. Adoption of recommendations to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

10. The Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole will be invited to adopt recommendations to be submitted to the General Assembly for consideration at its sixty-sixth session under the agenda item, entitled “Oceans and the law of the sea”.

Item 10. Other matters.

11. Delegations will be invited to raise any other matters if they so wish.

Item 11. Closure of the meeting.

12. The meeting will be closed by the Co-Chairs.