



General Assembly

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Draft provisional programme of work and timetable of the First Committee for 2016

<i>Programme/meeting</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Number of meetings</i>
Meeting for the organization of work	Friday, 7 October	1
General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items ^{a,b}	Monday, 10 October, to Tuesday, 18 October	7
Exchange with the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs on follow-up of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Committee at its previous sessions/presentation of reports		
Closure of the list of speakers for the general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items	Tuesday, 11 October, at 6 p.m.	
Thematic discussion ^c on specific subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items, including:	Wednesday, 19 October, to Tuesday, 1 November	12
(a) Exchange with the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and other high-level officials in the field of arms control and disarmament		
(b) Panel discussions and exchanges with independent experts		
Deadline for submission of draft resolutions and decisions under all agenda items	Thursday, 20 October, at 12 noon	
Closure of the list of speakers for the thematic discussion	Monday, 24 October, at 6 p.m.	
Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items	Wednesday, 2 November to Wednesday, 9 November	6

^a A rolling list of speakers will be opened about a month before the beginning of the session. Delegations are encouraged to limit their statements for the general debate to a maximum of 10 minutes; statements on behalf of a group of countries should not exceed 15 minutes. The list will give priority to high-level representatives and should be shared with the Committee on a regular basis so as to increase transparency.

^b Wide civil society participation is encouraged.

^c During thematic discussions, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to a maximum of 5 minutes; statements on behalf of a group of countries should not exceed 7 minutes.

<i>Week</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
3-7 October	3 October	4 October	5 October	6 October	7 October morning
10-14 October	10 October morning	11 October morning	12 October morning	13 October morning	14 October morning
17-21 October	17 October afternoon	18 October afternoon	19 October afternoon	20 October afternoon	21 October afternoon
24-28 October	24 October morning and afternoon	25 October morning	26 October morning	27 October morning	28 October morning
31 October - 4 November	31 October morning and afternoon	1 November afternoon	2 November afternoon	3 November afternoon	4 November afternoon
7-9 November	7 November morning	8 November morning	9 November morning ^a		

Note: The Committee will exercise flexibility on the scheduling of the meetings during the last two weeks of the session without prejudice to the decisions to be taken by the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session.

^a If necessary.