

ECOSOC Resolution 2001/4

Proposals for a multi-year programme of work for the Commission on the Status of Women for 2002-2006

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Adopts* a multi-year work programme for the effective implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action¹ and the outcome documents of the special session of the General Assembly entitled “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century”,² which will provide a framework to assess the progress achieved in the implementation of the Platform for Action and the outcome documents of the special session and will be in line with the coordinated follow-up to major forthcoming United Nations conferences and summits;

2. *Decides* that the work of the Commission on the Status of Women in relation to the programme of work shall be closely related to its mandate and the relevant provisions of the Platform for Action and the outcome documents of the special session with a view to ensuring their effective implementation through more practical and action-oriented initiatives and outcomes. For this effective implementation, the work of the Commission should take into account relevant cross-cutting issues, such as, institutional capacity-building;

3. *Decides* that the agenda for the sessions of the Commission shall consist of the following:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the special session of the General Assembly entitled “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century”:
 - (a) Review of gender mainstreaming in entities of the United Nations system;
 - (b) Emerging issues, trends and new approaches to issues affecting the situation of women or equality between women and men;
 - (c) Implementation of strategic objectives and actions in the critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives.
4. Communications concerning the status of women.
5. Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolutions.

¹ *Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, 4-15 September 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.13), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

² General Assembly resolutions S-23/2, annex, and S-23/3, annex.

6. Provisional agenda for the next session of the Commission.

7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its present session.

4. *Decides* on the following calendar:

2002

Item 1

Eradicating poverty, including through the empowerment of women throughout their life cycle in a globalizing world.

Item 2

Environmental management and mitigation of natural disasters: a gender perspective.

2003

Item 1

Participation and access of women to the media, and information and communication technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women.

Item 2

Women's human rights and elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls as defined in the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century".

2004

Item 1

The role of men and boys in achieving gender equality.

Item 2

Women's equal participation in conflict prevention, management and conflict resolution and in post-conflict peace-building.

2005

Item 1

Review of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century".

Item 2

Current challenges and forward-looking strategies for the advancement and empowerment of women and girls.

2006

Item 1

Enhanced participation of women in development: an enabling environment for achieving gender equality and the advancement of women, taking into account, inter alia, the fields of education, health and work.

Item 2

Equal participation of women and men in decision-making processes at all levels.

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