
At its 31st plenary meeting, on 11 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Committee for Development Planning on the thirtieth session.154

1996/230. Matters relating to the third and fourth sessions of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Panel on Forests of the Commission on Sustainable Development

At its 31st plenary meeting, on 11 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council approved:

(a) The request of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Panel on Forests to hold its third session at Geneva from 9 to 20 September 1996 and its fourth session in New York for a period of two weeks in 1997;

(b) The request of the Panel for provision to be made so that the two sessional working groups it intended to establish during its third and fourth sessions, as originally envisaged at its first session, could meet simultaneously.

1996/231. Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its fourth session and provisional agenda for the fifth session of the Commission

At its 31st plenary meeting, on 11 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its fourth session155 and approved the provisional agenda for the fifth session of the Commission set out below.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
4. Preparations for the special session of the General Assembly for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21.
5. Other matters.


1996/232. Review and analysis of agrarian reform and rural development

At its 33rd plenary meeting, on 12 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on review and analysis of agrarian reform and rural development prepared by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in collaboration with other concerned bodies and organizations of the United Nations system.156


At its 34th plenary meeting, on 15 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the seventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters.157


At its 37th plenary meeting, on 17 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Took note of the report of the Commission on Population and Development on its twenty-ninth session;158

(b) Approved the provisional agenda for the thirtieth session of the Commission set out below.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRTIETH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

156 E/1996/70.
3. General debate on national experience in population matters.

4. Follow-up actions to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development: international migration, with special emphasis on the linkages between migration and development and on gender issues and the family.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on world population monitoring, focusing on international migration, with special emphasis on the linkages between migration and development and on gender issues and the family

Report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of population programmes

Report of the Secretary-General on activities of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations relating to the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

Report of the Secretary-General on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

Relevant parts of the report of the Task Force on Basic Social Services for All of the Administrative Committee on Coordination dealing with the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

5. Programme questions:

(a) Programme performance and implementation;

(b) Proposed programme of work for the biennium 1998-1999.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on progress of work in the field of population, 1996

Note by the Secretary-General on the programme of work for the biennium 1998-1999

6. Provisional agenda for the thirty-first session of the Commission.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat containing the draft provisional agenda for the thirty-first session of the Commission

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

1996/235. Venue of the twenty-seventh session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

At its 40th plenary meeting, on 18 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council, having taken note of the invitation from the Government of Aruba, decided that the twenty-seventh session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean would be held in Oranjestad in 1998.

1996/236. Documents considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields

At its 40th plenary meeting, on 18 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields;

(b) Summary of the economic survey of Europe, 1995;

(c) Summary of the survey of economic and social conditions in Africa, 1995;

(d) Summary of the survey of economic and social conditions in Asia and the Pacific, 1996;

(e) Summary of the economic survey of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1995;

(f) Summary of the economic and social developments in the Western Asia region, 1995.

1996/237. Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council under special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

At its 42nd plenary meeting, on 19 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following reports:

(a) Oral reports by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs on assistance for the reconstruction of Madagascar following the natural disasters of 1994 and on

161 E/1996/47.
163 E/1996/49.
164 E/1996/50.