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Addendum

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

A. Drawing of lots

1. In its resolution 6/1 the Conference requested the Group to, inter alia, hold intersessional meetings open to all States parties, for the purpose of the drawing of lots in accordance with paragraph 19 of the terms of reference of the Mechanism and without prejudice to the right of a State party to request that the drawing of lots be repeated at the Group's subsequent intersessional meeting or regular session.
2. In accordance with Conference resolution 6/1, an intersessional meeting of the Group open to all States parties was held on Friday, 16 June 2017.
3. With regard to the first cycle of the Mechanism, lots were drawn to select the reviewing States parties for Belize, which had acceded to the United Nations Convention against Corruption after the resumed seventh session of the Implementation Review Group. Haiti and Tuvalu were drawn as reviewing States for Belize.
4. With regard to the second cycle of the Mechanism, lots were drawn for the selection of the reviewing States parties for the second year of the second cycle. Some States requested redraws in line with the terms of reference of the Mechanism. These redraws were carried out during the eighth session of the Group. The selection of the reviewing States parties was carried out pursuant to paragraphs 19 and 20 of the terms of reference of the Mechanism. For each State party selected to be reviewed, one of the two reviewing States was selected from the same regional group and the second reviewing State was selected from a pool of all States parties (see annex II).
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B. Organization of work for 2018 and 2019 in line with the multi-year workplan

6. The secretariat introduced the schedule of meetings for 2018-2019 based on the multi-year workplan adopted by the Group at its resumed 7th session contained in document CAC/COSP/IRG/2017/CRP.2, which had been prepared pursuant to Conference resolution 6/1 requesting the Group to consider adopting a multi-year workplan to continue its analytical work during the period 2016-2019. The information on successes, good practices, challenges, observations and technical assistance needs emanating from the country reviews of one of the four chapters II, III, IV and V of the Convention would be designated as the main topic for each session or reconvened session, taking into account the provisional agendas of the Group and other subsidiary bodies established by the Conference in such a way as to avoid duplication of discussions, while respecting their mandates.

7. One speaker presented the proposal made by her delegation contained in document CAC/COSP/IRG/2017/CRP.9. It aimed at reducing the sessions of the Implementation Review Group to two per year and avoiding duplication with the meetings of other subsidiary bodies of the Conference.

8. In the ensuing discussion, speakers highlighted that the provisional agendas of the Implementation Review Group should be structured in a way as to leave sufficient time for in-depth substantive discussions on the outcome of reviews and make maximum use of the presence of experts at these meetings. It was highlighted that the functions of the Implementation Review Group, according to paragraph 44 of the Terms of Reference of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the Convention, were to have an overview of the review process in order to identify challenges and good practices and to consider technical assistance requirements in order to ensure effective implementation of the Convention. One speaker noted that there should be equal time allocated to the discussion of each substantive item, while another speaker was concerned whether the session of the Group scheduled in the margins of the 8th session of the Conference of the States parties would allow for sufficient time to discuss the important issues of criminalization and law enforcement.

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