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Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 16 September 2016, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-first session the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly” and to allocate it to all the Main Committees for the sole purpose of considering and taking action on their respective tentative programmes of work.
2. The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) considered the item at its 23rd meeting, on 8 November 2016.¹
3. At its 23rd meeting, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled “Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly” ([A/C.4/71/L.16](#)), submitted by the Bureau.
4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision [A/C.4/71/L.16](#) (see para. 5).

Recommendation of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

5. The Fourth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

¹ See [A/C.4/71/SR.23](#).



Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly approves the proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-second session of the Assembly as set out in the report of the Fourth Committee.

Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Programme</i>
Week of 25-29 September	
Thursday, 28 September	
10-11 a.m.	Organization of work
	Approval of programme of work
	Approval of time limits for statements
	Establishment of Working Group of the Whole
	Consideration of aide-mémoire containing requests to petition on Non-Self-Governing Territories
Week of 2-6 October	
Monday, 2 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements and joint general debate on decolonization items:
	Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 <i>e</i> of the Charter of the United Nations
	Economic and other activities that affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories
	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations
	Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories
	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
	Approval of requests to petition on Non-Self-Governing Territories

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Programme</i>
6 p.m.	Closure of the list of speakers on decolonization items Deadline for submission of proposals on decolonization items
Tuesday, 3 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>): Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Wednesday, 4 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>): Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Thursday, 5 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>): Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Friday, 6 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>): Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee Joint general debate on decolonization items (<i>continued</i>)
Week of 9-13 October	
Monday, 9 October	
10 a.m.	Joint general debate on decolonization items (<i>continued</i>)
Tuesday, 10 October	
10 a.m.	Joint general debate on decolonization items (<i>concluded</i>) Action on proposals submitted under decolonization items
Wednesday, 11 October	
10 a.m.	Introductory statement and general debate on: International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

Date/time

Programme

Thursday, 12 October

10 a.m.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability

Friday, 13 October

10 a.m.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

General discussion (*continued*)

Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (*continued*)

Week of 16-20 October**Tuesday, 17 October**

3 p.m.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

General discussion (*concluded*)

Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (*concluded*)

Wednesday, 18 October

3 p.m.

Introductory statement, interactive dialogue and general debate on:

Questions relating to information**Thursday, 19 October****Diwali****Friday, 20 October**

3 p.m.

Questions relating to information

General debate (*continued*)

6 p.m.

Closure of the list of speakers on “Questions relating to information”

Week of 23-27 October**Tuesday, 24 October**

10 a.m.

Questions relating to information

General debate (*concluded*)

Action on proposals

Date/time

Programme

Wednesday, 25 October

- 10 a.m. Introductory statement, interactive dialogue and general debate on:
Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects
- 1 p.m. Closure of the list of speakers on “Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects”

Thursday, 26 October

- 10 a.m. **Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects**
General debate (*continued*)

Friday, 27 October

- 10 a.m. **Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects**
General debate (*continued*)

Week of 30 October-3 November**Monday, 30 October**

- 3 p.m. **Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects**
General debate (*concluded*)

Tuesday, 31 October

- 3 p.m. Introductory statements, general debate and action on proposal on:
Comprehensive review of special political missions

Wednesday, 1 November

- 3 p.m. Introductory statements, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposal on:
Assistance in mine action

Thursday, 2 November

- 3 p.m. Introductory statements, general debate and action on proposal on:
Effects of atomic radiation

Friday, 3 November

- 3 p.m. Introductory statement, question-and-answer period and general debate on:
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
- 6 p.m. Deadline for submission of proposals on “United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East” and “Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories”
- Deadline for submission of proposals on all outstanding items

Week of 6-10 November**Monday, 6 November**

- 10 a.m. **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**
General debate (*concluded*)

Tuesday, 7 November

- 10 a.m. Introductory statement, question-and-answer period and general debate on:
Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories

Wednesday, 8 November

- 10 a.m. **Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories**
General debate (*continued*)

Thursday, 9 November

- 10 a.m. **Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories**
General debate (*concluded*)

Friday, 10 November

- 10 a.m. **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**
Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories
Introduction of and action on proposals

*Date/time**Programme*

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Proposed programme of work and timetable for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-third session of the General Assembly and consideration of working methods

Action on proposals on all outstanding agenda items

Conclusion of the work of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the main part of the session
