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## Draft legislative guide on insolvency law

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## **Background remarks**

1. This note sets forth the revised structure for the commentary section of the draft Guide. The order of commentary contained in documents A/CN.9/WG.V/WP.57 and A/CN.9/WG.V/WP.58 will be revised in accordance with the chapter and section headings set forth below.

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#### Effective and efficient insolvency regimes

## Part one. Key objectives

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  - (a) Maximize value of assets
  - (b) Strike a balance between liquidation and reorganization
  - (c) Ensure equitable treatment of similarly situated creditors
  - (d) Provide for timely and efficient commencement of proceedings and for impartial resolution of insolvency

<sup>\*</sup> The submission of this document was late because of the need to accommodate the completion of consultations

- (e) Prevent premature dismemberment of the debtor's assets by creditors
- (f) Provide for a procedure that is transparent and contains incentives for gathering and dispensing information
- (g) Recognize existing creditor rights and respect priority claims with a predictable process
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