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All Migrant Workers and
Members of Their Families**

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**Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant
Workers and Members of Their Families**

Sixteenth session

16-27 April 2012

Provisional annotated agenda and programme of work

Note by the Secretariat*

1. The sixteenth session of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva (Palais Wilson) from 16 to 27 April 2012. The first meeting of the session will be convened on Monday, 16 April at 10 a.m.
2. The attached provisional annotated agenda and programme of work for the sixteenth session of the Committee have been prepared by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Chairperson of the Committee, in accordance with rule 5 of the Committee's provisional rules of procedure.

* Late submission

Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session.
2. Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee under rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure.
3. Election of officers, according to rules 12 and 13 of the provisional rules of procedure.
4. Adoption of the agenda.
5. Organizational matters.
6. Submission of reports by States parties.
7. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 73 of the Convention.
8. Methods of work of the Committee.
9. Promotion of the Convention.
10. Issues pertaining to the Convention.
11. Adoption of the annual report to the General Assembly.

Annotations

1. Opening of the session

The representative of the Secretary-General will open the sixteenth session of the Committee.

2. Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee under rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure

In accordance with rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure, before assuming his or her duties after his or her first election, each new member of the Committee elected at the Fifth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention, held on 8 December 2011, will make the following solemn declaration:

“I solemnly declare that I will perform my duties and exercise my powers as a member of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families honourably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously.”

3. Election of officers, according to rules 12 and 13 of the provisional rules of procedure

In accordance with article 75, paragraph 2, of the Convention and rule 14, paragraph 1, of the provisional rules of procedure, the Committee shall elect its officers for a term of two years. Pursuant to rules 12 and 13 of the provisional rules of procedure, the Committee shall elect from among its members a Chairperson, three Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur.

Under rule 13 of the provisional rules of procedure, where there is only one candidate for election of one of its officers, the Committee may decide to elect that person by acclamation. Where there are two or more candidates for election as one of its officers, or where the Committee otherwise decides to proceed with a ballot, the person who obtains a simple majority of the votes cast shall be elected. Elections shall be held by secret ballot.

4. Adoption of the agenda

Under rule 6 of the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the first item on the agenda of any session shall be the adoption of the agenda, unless the election of officers is required under rule 12. In accordance with rule 7, the Committee may revise the agenda during a session and may, as appropriate, defer or delete items.

5. Organizational matters

Under this item, the Committee will consider its programme of work for the session as well as other issues relevant to the Committee's business, including the dates for the future sessions of the Committee.

6. Submission of reports by States parties

The Committee has received the following initial reports, which are pending consideration by the Committee:

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Symbol</i>
Tajikistan	1 January 2004	3 December 2010	CMW/C/TJK/1
Paraguay	1 January 2010	10 January 2011	CMW/C/PRY/1
Rwanda	1 April 2010	21 October 2011	CMW/C/RWA/1

The Committee has received the following second periodic reports, which are pending consideration by the Committee:

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date received</i>	<i>Symbol</i>
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 May 2011	12 August 2011	CMW/C/BIH/2
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	1 July 2009	18 October 2011	CMW/C/BOL/2
Colombia	1 May 2011	18 October 2011	CMW/C/COL/2
Azerbaijan	1 May 2011	26 October 2011	CMW/C/AZE/2

The following initial reports were due, but had not yet been received as at 1 February 2012:

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Belize	1 July 2004
Burkina Faso	1 March 2005
Cape Verde	1 July 2004
Ghana	1 July 2004
Guinea	1 July 2004
Honduras	1 December 2006
Jamaica	1 January 2010
Kyrgyzstan	1 January 2005
Lesotho	1 January 2007
Libya	1 October 2005
Mauritania	1 May 2008
Morocco	1 July 2004
Nicaragua	1 February 2007
Niger	1 July 2010
Nigeria	1 November 2010

Peru	1 January 2007
Seychelles	1 July 2004
Timor-Leste	1 May 2005
Turkey	1 January 2006
Uganda	1 July 2004

Uruguay 1 July 2004

The following second periodic reports were due, but had not yet been received as at 1 February 2012:

<i>State party</i>	<i>Date due</i>
Egypt	1 July 2009
El Salvador*	1 December 2010
Mali	1 October 2009
Philippines*	1 May 2011
Sri Lanka	1 November 2011
Syrian Arab Republic	1 October 2011

7. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 73 of the Convention

At its sixteenth session, the Committee will consider the initial reports received from Paraguay (CMW/C/PRY/1) and Tajikistan (CMW/C/TJK/1), respectively.

The Secretary-General has informed the States parties concerned of the dates on which their reports are scheduled for consideration by the Committee, in accordance with the provisional programme of work (see annex).

8. Methods of work of the Committee

Under this item, the Committee will discuss its methods of work, harmonization of treaty body working methods and other issues arising out of the ongoing treaty body strengthening process. In particular, the Committee will review the emerging list of proposals regarding treaty body strengthening and the Dublin II Outcome Document.

9. Promotion of the Convention

Under this item, the Committee will discuss its involvement in and support for various events to continue promoting the Convention, including follow-up on the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention.

10. Issues pertaining to the Convention

Under this item, the Committee will discuss the adoption of a general comment on the rights of migrant workers in an irregular situation and members of their families, following its day of general discussion at its fifteenth session.

* States parties that have accepted the optional reporting procedure under which their written replies to the Committee's list of issues prior to reporting will constitute their subsequent periodic reports under article 73, paragraph 1 (b), of the Convention.

11. Adoption of the annual report to the General Assembly

In accordance with article 74, paragraph 7, of the Convention, the Committee shall submit an annual report to the General Assembly on the implementation of the Convention.

Annex

Provisional programme of work

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Documentation/programme</i>
Monday, 16 April 2012		
185th meeting		
10:00-11:30	1	Opening of the session (<i>public</i>)
	2	Solemn declarations by the newly elected members of the Committee (<i>public</i>)
	3	Election of officers (<i>public</i>)
	4, 5	Adoption of the agenda and consideration of the programme of work (<i>public</i>)
11:30-12:30	9	Activities to promote the Convention (<i>public</i>)
		Informal meeting with the United Nations bodies and specialized agencies (<i>closed</i>)
12:30-13:00		Informal meeting with non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions (<i>public</i>)
186th meeting		
15:00-18:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 73 of the Convention: initial report of Paraguay (CMW/C/PRY/1) (<i>public</i>)
Tuesday, 17 April		
187th meeting		
10:00-13:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: initial report of Paraguay (cont'd) (<i>public</i>)
188th meeting		
15:00-18:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 73 of the Convention: initial report of Tajikistan (CMW/C/TJK/1) (<i>public</i>)
Wednesday, 18 April		
189th meeting		
10:00-13:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: initial report of Tajikistan (cont'd) (<i>public</i>)
190th meeting		
15:00-16:00		Informal meeting with the United Nations bodies and specialized agencies (<i>closed</i>)
16:00-16:30		Informal meeting with non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions (<i>public</i>)
16:30-18:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of lists of issues (<i>closed</i>)
Thursday, 19 April		
191st meeting		
10:00-13:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of lists of issues (<i>closed</i>)
192nd meeting		
15:00-18:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of lists of issues (<i>closed</i>)
Friday, 20 April		
193rd meeting		
10:00-13:00	10	Discussion on draft general comment No. 2 (<i>closed</i>)

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Documentation/programme</i>
194th meeting 15:00-18:00	10	Discussion on draft general comment No. 2 (cont'd) (<i>closed</i>)
Monday, 23 April		
195th meeting 10:00-11:30	8	Discussion on methods of work of the Committee (<i>closed</i>)
11:30-12:30		Informal meeting with the United Nations bodies and specialized agencies (<i>closed</i>)
12:30-13:00		Informal meeting with non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions (<i>public</i>)
196th meeting 15:00-18:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of lists of issues (<i>closed</i>)
Tuesday, 24 April		
197th meeting 10:00-13:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of lists of issues (<i>closed</i>)
198th meeting 15:00-18:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of lists of issues prior to reporting (<i>closed</i>)
Wednesday, 25 April		
199th meeting 10:00-13:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of concluding observations (<i>closed</i>)
200th meeting 15:00-18:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of concluding observations (<i>closed</i>)
Thursday, 26 April		
201st meeting 10:00-13:00	7	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of lists of issues prior to reporting (<i>closed</i>)
202nd meeting 15:00-18:00	8	Discussion on methods of work of the Committee (<i>closed</i>)
Friday, 27 April		
203rd meeting 10:00-13:00	7, 11	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties: adoption of concluding observations (<i>closed</i>); adoption of the annual report (<i>closed</i>)
204th meeting 15:00-18:00	5	Organizational matters (<i>closed</i>) Closing of the session (<i>public</i>)