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Annotations

1. Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the meeting

The meeting of the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants will be opened on Wednesday, 18 November 2015, at 3 p.m.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

In its resolution 7/1, entitled “Strengthening the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols Thereto”, the Conference of the Parties decided, inter alia, that the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants would be a constant element of the Conference of the Parties, forwarding its reports and recommendations to the Conference, and encouraged the Working Group to consider meeting on an annual basis, as needed,



and to hold its meetings consecutively, in order to ensure the effective use of resources.

At its meeting held on 27 March 2015, the extended Bureau of the Conference of the Parties agreed on the provisional agenda for the third session of the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants.

The proposed organization of work, contained in the annex to the present document, was prepared in accordance with Conference resolution 5/3 in order to enable the Working Group to perform its mandated functions within the time and according to the conference services available to it. The resources available to the Working Group will permit the holding of two plenary meetings per day with interpretation in the six official languages of the United Nations, for a total of five plenary meetings held over two and a half days.

2. Smuggling of migrants by sea

At its meeting held in Vienna from 11 to 13 November 2013, the Working Group recommended to the Conference a number of topics, including the smuggling of migrants by sea, to be considered at future meetings of the Working Group.

For its consideration of this item, the Working Group will have before it a note prepared by the Secretariat presenting an overview of the issue of smuggling of migrants by sea.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on smuggling of migrants by sea (CTOC/COP/WG.7/2015/2)

3. Practical measures to prevent the smuggling of migrants and children, in particular unaccompanied children, such as the issuance of visas on arrival, public information campaigns and training sessions on fraudulent documents

At its meeting held in November 2013, the Working Group recommended to the Conference that the Working Group, at its future meetings, should consider the topic of practical measures to prevent the smuggling of migrants, such as the issuance of visas on arrival, public information campaigns and training sessions on fraudulent documents.

For its consideration of this item, the Working Group will have before it a note prepared by the Secretariat presenting practical measures to prevent the smuggling of migrants and children, in particular unaccompanied children, such as the issuance of visas on arrival, public information campaigns and training sessions on fraudulent documents.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on practical measures to prevent the smuggling of migrants and children, in particular unaccompanied children, such as the issuance of visas on arrival, public information campaigns and training sessions on fraudulent documents (CTOC/COP/WG.7/2015/3)

4. Organized crime aspects of the smuggling of migrants, including financial investigations and responses targeting the proceeds of crime

Furthermore, at its meeting held in November 2013, the Working Group recommended to the Conference that the topic of organized crime aspects of the smuggling of migrants, including financial investigations and responses targeting the proceeds of crime, should be considered at a future meeting of the Working Group.

For its consideration of this item, the Working Group will have before it a note prepared by the Secretariat presenting an analysis of the organized crime aspects of the smuggling of migrants, including financial investigations and responses targeting the proceeds of crime.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on organized crime aspects of the smuggling of migrants, including financial investigations and responses targeting the proceeds of crime (CTOC/COP/WG.7/2015/4)

5. Other matters

At its meeting held on 14 July 2015, the extended Bureau of the Conference approved the preparation of a background document for the meeting of the Working Group to be held from 18 to 20 November, in which all recommendations made by previous meetings of the Working Group would be consolidated.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on consolidated recommendations of the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants (CTOC/COP/WG.7/2015/5)

6. Adoption of the report

The Working Group is to adopt a report on its meeting, the draft of which will be prepared by the Secretariat.

Annex

Proposed organization of work

<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
Wednesday, 18 November		
3-6 p.m.	1 (a)	Opening of the meeting
	1 (b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	2	Smuggling of migrants by sea
Thursday, 19 November		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2	Smuggling of migrants by sea (<i>continued</i>)
	3	Practical measures to prevent the smuggling of migrants and children, in particular unaccompanied children, such as the issuance of visas on arrival, public information campaigns and training sessions on fraudulent documents
3-6 p.m.	3	Practical measures to prevent the smuggling of migrants and children, in particular unaccompanied children, such as the issuance of visas on arrival, public information campaigns and training sessions on fraudulent documents (<i>continued</i>)
	4	Organized crime aspects of the smuggling of migrants, including financial investigations and responses targeting the proceeds of crime
Friday, 20 November		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	4	Organized crime aspects of the smuggling of migrants, including financial investigations and responses targeting the proceeds of crime (<i>continued</i>)
3-6 p.m.	5	Other matters
	6	Adoption of the report