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Meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto Vienna, 21–23 March 2018

Annotated provisional agenda

Provisional agenda

- 1. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Opening of the meeting;
 - (b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
- 2. Consideration of the draft procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2.
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Annotations

1. Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the meeting

The third meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto will be opened on Wednesday, 21 March 2018, at 10 a.m.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

In its resolution 8/2, entitled "Mechanism for the review of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto", the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime decided to continue the process of establishing the mechanism for the review of the implementation of the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto based on the recommendations contained in the report on the open-ended intergovernmental meeting to explore all options regarding an appropriate and effective review mechanism for the Convention and the Protocols thereto held in Vienna on 6 and 7 June 2016 (CTOC/COP/WG.8/2016/2).



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Also in its resolution 8/2, the Conference requested the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to convene, within existing resources from the regular budget and without prejudice to other mandated activities, at least one open-ended intergovernmental meeting, with interpretation, for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism, and invited States parties to remain engaged in the process, including during the intersessional period.

The first meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto was held in Vienna from 24 to 26 April 2017. The second meeting was held in Vienna from 30 October to 1 November 2017.

On 3 November 2017, the extended Bureau of the Conference, under the silence procedure, agreed that the third meeting would be held from 21 to 23 March 2018. At its meeting held on 7 December 2017, the extended Bureau agreed that the agenda for the third meeting would consist of one substantive item, entitled "Consideration of the draft procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2".

The proposed organization of work (contained in the annex to the present document) was prepared in accordance with Conference of the Parties resolution 8/2 in order to enable the mandated functions of the meeting to be performed within the time and according to the conference services available to it. The resources available will permit the holding of five plenary meetings during two and a half days, with interpretation into the six official languages of the United Nations.

2. Consideration of the draft procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2

The draft procedures and rules for the functioning of the mechanism, as contained in document CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/2, were first considered at the meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism for the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto held in April 2017. The report on that meeting is contained in document CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/4. In addition, after the meeting, the President of the Conference circulated a non-paper containing the draft procedures and rules that included a set of main points identified by the Chair of the meeting for follow-up and further discussion, as well as comments and observations made by delegations during the meeting with regard to document CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/2.

A draft proposal for the procedures and rules that had been prepared and circulated by the President prior to the second meeting for the purpose of defining the specific procedures and rules for the functioning of the review mechanism was considered at that meeting. On the last day of that meeting it was agreed that, as an outcome, a consolidated text of the draft procedures and rules would be circulated as another nonpaper for further consideration (CTOC/COP/WG.9/2018/CRP.1). Also at the second meeting, the Chair prepared a proposal regarding the participation of observers in the review mechanism, which was made available as conference room paper CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/CRP.3. The report on the second meeting is contained in document CTOC/COP/WG.9/2017/6.

Under agenda item 2, the third meeting may wish to continue considering the draft procedures and rules for the mechanism for the review of the implementation of the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto and/or discuss any particular issues or aspects of such procedures and rules.

At the time of drafting the present provisional agenda, no documentation is foreseen under item 2.

3. Other matters

As no issues to be raised under agenda item 3 have come to the attention of the Secretariat, no documentation regarding the item is currently foreseen.

4. Adoption of the report

Under agenda item 4, a report on the meeting will be adopted.

Annex

Date and time	Agenda item	Title or description
Wednesday, 21 March	2018	
10 a.m1 p.m.	1 (a)	Opening of the meeting
	1 (b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	2	Consideration of the draft procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2
3-6 p.m.	2	Consideration of the draft procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2 (<i>continued</i>)
Thursday, 22 March 2	018	
10 a.m1 p.m.	2	Consideration of the draft procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2 (<i>continued</i>)
3-6 p.m.	2	Consideration of the draft procedures and rules for a review mechanism based on the elements contained in resolution 8/2 (<i>continued</i>)
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10 a.m1 p.m.	3	Other matters
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Proposed organization of work