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Organization of the session

A. Informal pre-session consultations

1. At its reconvened twenty-seventh session, held on 6 and 7 December 2018, the Commission agreed that its twenty-eighth session would be held from 20 to 24 May 2019, with informal pre-session consultations to be held on 17 May 2019, the working day preceding the first day of the session.

2. At the informal pre-session consultations on 17 May 2019, which were chaired by the First Vice-Chair of the Commission, Jose Antonio Marcondes De Carvalho (Brazil), the Commission conducted a preliminary review of the draft resolutions that had been submitted by the deadline of 23 April 2019 and dealt with organizational matters for the twenty-eighth session.

B. Opening and duration of the session

3. The Commission held the regular part of its twenty-eighth session in Vienna from 20 to 24 May 2019, during which time there were [...] plenary meetings and [...] meetings of the Committee of the Whole.

4. The Chair of the Commission opened that part of the session. At the 1st meeting, on 20 May 2019, video messages by the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council were shown. The Executive Director of UNODC made an opening statement, during which he also conveyed a message from the Secretary-General.

5. Opening statements were made by the representative of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the representative of Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of African States), the representative of Japan (on behalf of the Group of Asia-Pacific States) and the observer for the European Union (on behalf of the European Union and its member States and Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, North Macedonia, the Republic of Moldova, San Marino, Serbia and Ukraine).





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C. Attendance

6. The twenty-eighth session was attended by representatives of [...] States members of the Commission. Also attending were observers for [...] other States Members of the United Nations, observers for [...] non-member States, representatives of [...] entities of the United Nations system and observers for [...] institutes of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme network, [...] intergovernmental organizations and [...] non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. A list of participants is contained in document E/CN.15/2019/INF/2.

D. Election of officers

7. Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/31 and rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, the Commission, at the end of its reconvened twenty-seventh session, on 7 December 2018, opened its twenty-eighth session for the sole purpose of electing its Bureau for that session. In view of the rotation of offices based on regional distribution, the officers elected for the twenty-eighth session of the Commission and their respective regional groups are listed below.

8. On 7 December 2018, the Commission elected the Chair, the Second Vice-Chair and the Third Vice-Chair. The nomination for the office of First Vice-Chair remained pending until 8 January 2019, when the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States nominated Jose Antonio Marcondes De Carvalho of Brazil for that office. The nomination for the Rapporteur remained pending until 19 February 2019, when the Group of African States nominated Ahmed Tareq Ibrahim Maaty of Egypt for that office. The Commission elected the First Vice-Chair and the Rapporteur during its consideration of item 1.

9. The officers of the Commission at its twenty-eighth session were as follows:

Chair	Eastern European States	Alena Kupchyna (Belarus)
First Vice-Chair	Latin American and Caribbean States	Jose Antonio Marcondes De Carvalho (Brazil)
Second Vice-Chair	Western European and other States	Gabriela Sellner (Austria)
Third Vice-Chair	Asia-Pacific States	Kazem Gharib Abadi (Islamic Republic of Iran)
Rapporteur	African States	Ahmed Tareq Ibrahim Maaty (Egypt)

10. A group composed of the Chairs of the five regional groups (the representatives of Nigeria and Japan, and the observers for Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chile and Sweden), the representative of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and the observer for Romania (on behalf of the European Union) was established to assist the Chair of the Commission in dealing with organizational matters. That group, together with the elected officers, constituted the extended Bureau foreseen in Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/31. During the twenty-eighth session of the Commission, the extended Bureau met on [...] and [...] May 2019 to consider matters related to the organization of work.

E. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

11. At its 1st meeting, on 20 May 2019, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda and proposed organization of work (E/CN.15/2019/1), which had been approved by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 2018/244.

F. Documentation

12. The documents before the Commission at its twenty-eighth session are listed in conference room paper E/CN.15/2019/CRP.[...].