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Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 18 September 2020, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-fifth session the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly” and to allocate it to all the Main Committees for the sole purpose of considering and taking action on their respective tentative programmes of work.
2. The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) considered the item at its 10th meeting, on 6 November.¹
3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a note by the Secretariat on the revitalization of the General Assembly ([A/C.4/75/INF/4](#)).
4. At its 10th meeting, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled “Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly” ([A/C.4/75/L.7](#)), submitted by the Bureau.
5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision [A/C.4/75/L.7](#), as orally revised (see para. 6).

¹ For an account of the Committee’s discussion of the item, see [A/C.4/75/SR.10](#).



Recommendation of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

6. The Fourth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly approves the proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly as set out below:

Proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Programme</i>
Week of 27 September–1 October	
Thursday, 30 September	
10 a.m.	Organization of work Approval of programme of work Approval of time limits for statements Establishment of Working Group of the Whole on the peaceful uses of outer space Consideration of aide-mémoire containing requests to petition on Non-Self-Governing Territories
Week of 4–8 October	
Monday, 4 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements and joint general debate on decolonization items: Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations Economic and other activities that affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples Approval of requests to petition on Non-Self-Governing Territories

*Date/time**Programme*

Tuesday, 5 October

- 3 p.m. Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
- 6 p.m. Closure of the list of speakers on decolonization items
Deadline for submission of proposals on decolonization items

Wednesday, 6 October

- 3 p.m. Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee

Thursday, 7 October

- 3 p.m. Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
- 3 p.m. Deadline for submission of proposals on “University for Peace”

Friday, 8 October

- 3 p.m. Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Joint general debate on decolonization items (*continued*)
- 3 p.m. Deadline for submission of proposals on “Effects of atomic radiation”

Week of 11–15 October**Monday, 11 October**

- 10 a.m. Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
Joint general debate on decolonization items (*continued*)

Tuesday, 12 October

- 10 a.m. Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
Joint general debate on decolonization items (*continued*)

Wednesday, 13 October

- 10 a.m. Consideration of decolonization items (*continued*)
Joint general debate on decolonization items (*concluded*)

Date/time	Programme
	Action on proposals submitted under decolonization items
Thursday, 14 October	
10 a.m.	Introductory statement, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposals University for Peace
Friday, 15 October	
10 a.m.	Introductory statements, general debate and action on proposals Effects of atomic radiation
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on "Comprehensive review of special political missions"
Week of 18–22 October	
Tuesday, 19 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue and general debate Questions relating to information
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on "International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space"
6 p.m.	Closure of the list of speakers on "Questions relating to information"
Wednesday, 20 October	
3 p.m.	Questions relating to information General debate (<i>continued</i>)
Thursday, 21 October	
3 p.m.	Questions relating to information General debate (<i>concluded</i>) Action on proposals
Friday, 22 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposals Comprehensive review of special political missions
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on "Assistance in mine action"
Week of 25–29 October	
Tuesday, 26 October	
10 a.m.	Introductory statement and general debate International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Programme</i>
	Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space
Wednesday, 27 October	
10 a.m.	International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space General debate (<i>continued</i>) Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (<i>continued</i>)
Thursday, 28 October	
10 a.m.	International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space General debate (<i>concluded</i>) Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (<i>concluded</i>) Action on proposals
Friday, 29 October	
10 a.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposals Assistance in mine action
Week of 1–5 November	
Monday, 1 November	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue and general debate Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects
6 p.m.	Closure of the list of speakers on the item on peacekeeping operations
Tuesday, 2 November	
3 p.m.	Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects General debate (<i>continued</i>)
Wednesday, 3 November	
3 p.m.	Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects General debate (<i>continued</i>)
Thursday, 4 November	
6 p.m.	Diwali ¹ Deadline for submission of proposals on “United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East” and “Report of the

¹ Diwali floating holiday (see resolutions [69/250](#) and [74/252](#)).

Date/time	Programme
	<p>Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories”</p> <p>Deadline for submission of proposals on all outstanding items</p>
Friday, 5 November	
3 p.m.	<p>Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects</p> <p>General debate (<i>concluded</i>)</p>
Week of 8–12 November	
Monday, 8 November	
10 a.m.	<p>Introductory statement, question-and-answer period and general debate</p> <p>United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East</p>
Tuesday, 9 November	
10 a.m.	<p>United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East</p> <p>General debate (<i>concluded</i>)</p>
Wednesday, 10 November	
10 a.m.	<p>Introductory statement, question-and-answer period and general debate</p> <p>Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories</p>
Thursday, 11 November	
10 a.m.	<p>Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories</p> <p>General debate (<i>continued</i>)</p>
3 p.m.	<p>Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories</p> <p>General debate (<i>concluded</i>)</p>
Friday, 12 November	
10 a.m.	<p>United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East</p> <p>Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories</p> <p>Introduction of and action on proposals</p> <p>Action on proposals on all outstanding agenda items</p>

*Date/time**Programme*

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Proposed programme of work and timetable for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly and consideration of working methods

Programme planning

Conclusion of the work of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) for the main part of the session
