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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 17 September 2021, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-sixth 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 16th meeting, on 11 November 2021.¹
3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a note by the Secretariat on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly ([A/C.4/76/INF/4](#)).
4. At its 16th meeting, on 11 November, 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-seventh session of the General Assembly” ([A/C.4/76/L.16](#)), submitted by the Bureau.
5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision [A/C.4/76/L.16](#).

¹ For an account of the Committee’s discussion of the item, see [A/C.4/76/SR.16](#).



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-seventh 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-seventh 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-seventh session of the General Assembly

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Programme</i>
Week of 26–30 September	
Thursday, 29 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 3–7 October	
Monday, 3 October	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements and joint general debate on decolonization items:
	Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 <i>e</i> 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

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Programme</i>
Tuesday, 4 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>) 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, 5 October	Yom Kippur ¹
Thursday, 6 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>) Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Friday, 7 October	
3 p.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>) Statements by representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories as well as petitions on Non-Self-Governing Territories approved to be heard by the Committee
Week of 10–14 October	
Monday, 10 October	
10 a.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>) 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 (<i>continued</i>)
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on “Effects of atomic radiation”
Tuesday, 11 October	
10 a.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>) Joint general debate on decolonization items (<i>continued</i>)
Thursday, 13 October	
10 a.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>) Joint general debate on decolonization items (<i>continued</i>)
Friday, 14 October	
10 a.m.	Consideration of decolonization items (<i>continued</i>) Joint general debate on decolonization items (<i>concluded</i>) Action on proposals submitted under decolonization items

¹ Yom Kippur floating holiday (see resolutions [69/250](#) and [75/244](#)).

Week of 17–21 October**Monday, 17 October**

3 p.m. Introductory statement, general debate and action on proposals

Effects of atomic radiation**Wednesday, 19 October**

3 p.m. Introductory statements, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposals

Questions relating to information

6 p.m. Closure of the list of speakers on “Questions relating to information”

Thursday, 20 October

3 p.m. **Questions relating to information**

General debate (*continued*)

Friday, 21 October

3 p.m. **Questions relating to information**

General debate (*concluded*)

Action on proposals

Week of 24–28 October**Monday, 24 October**

Diwali²

3 p.m. Deadline for submission of proposals on “International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space”

Wednesday, 26 October

10 a.m. Introductory statement and general debate

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

Thursday, 27 October

10 a.m. **International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**

Joint panel discussion of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability

Friday, 28 October

10 a.m. **International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**

General debate (*continued*)

² Diwali floating holiday (see resolutions [69/250](#) and [75/244](#)).

Date/time	Programme
	Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (<i>continued</i>)
3 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on “Comprehensive review of special political missions”
Week of 31 October–4 November	
Monday, 31 October	
3 p.m.	International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space Working Group of the Whole on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (<i>concluded</i>) Action on proposals
Tuesday, 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
Wednesday, 2 November	
3 p.m.	Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects General debate (<i>continued</i>)
Thursday, 3 November	
3 p.m.	Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects General debate (<i>concluded</i>)
Friday, 4 November	
3 p.m.	Introductory statements, interactive dialogue, general debate and action on proposals Comprehensive review of special political missions
6 p.m.	Deadline for submission of proposals on “United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East” and “Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories” Deadline for submission of proposals on all outstanding items
Week of 7–11 November	
Monday, 7 November	
	Gurpurab ³

³ Gurpurab floating holiday (see resolutions [69/250](#) and [75/244](#)).

Tuesday, 8 November

10 a.m. Introductory statements, question-and-answer period and general debate

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

3 p.m. **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**

General debate (*concluded*)

Wednesday, 9 November

Introductory statements, question-and-answer period and general debate

3 p.m. **Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories**

Thursday, 10 November

10 a.m. **Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories**

General debate (*continued*)

3 p.m. **Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories**

General debate (*concluded*)

Consideration of outstanding agenda items (*if any*)

Friday, 11 November

10 a.m. **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**

Israeli practices and settlement activities affecting the rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories

Introduction of and action on proposals

Action on proposals on all outstanding agenda items

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-eighth 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