Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme Seventy-third session

Geneva, 10-14 October 2022

Draft provisional agenda and annotations

Note by the Secretariat

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II. Annotations

Item 1 Opening of the session, adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

The Chairperson of the Executive Committee will open the seventy-third session on Monday, 10 October 2022 at 10 a.m. (Central European Time).

The Executive Committee will consider the provisional agenda contained in document A/AC.96/LXXIII/1 as the basis for adoption of the agenda of the session.

Item 2 Statement by the High Commissioner

The High Commissioner's statement will provide an overview of the operational and policy priorities of his Office.

Item 3 General debate

The general debate is articulated around issues raised in the statement of the High Commissioner. The Committee will have received an outline of the High Commissioner's statement in advance of the session. The Committee will also have before it brief updates on developments at the regional and global levels. The list of speakers for the general debate will be opened on Monday, 12 September 2022.

Item 4 Consideration of reports on the work of the Standing Committee

Under this item, the Committee will review the results of the work of the Standing Committee on international protection and on programme budgets, management, financial control and administrative oversight.

(a) International protection

Of particular relevance to the deliberations of the Committee under this sub-item are:

- (i) Note on international protection (A/AC.96/1222);
- (ii) Report of the eighty-third meeting of the Standing Committee (A/AC.96/1221); and
- (iii) Report of the eighty-fourth meeting of the Standing Committee (A/AC.96/1228).

(b) Programme budgets, management, financial control and administrative oversight

The Committee will have before it the following reports of relevance to these matters:

- (i) Report of the eighty-third meeting of the Standing Committee (A/AC.96/1221);
- (ii) Report of the eighty-fourth meeting of the Standing Committee (A/AC.96/1228);
- (iii) Report of the eighty-fifth meeting of the Standing Committee (A/AC.96/1229);
- (iv) Financial statements for the year 2021 as contained in the Report of the Board of Auditors to the General Assembly on the financial report and audited financial statements of the voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the year ended 31 December 2021 (A/AC.96/1223);
- (v) Key issues and measures taken in response to the Report of the Board of Auditors for 2021 (A/AC.96/1223/Add.1);
- (vi) Internal audit in the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 (A/AC.96/1225); and

Item 5 Consideration of reports relating to programme and administrative oversight and evaluation

This item will include review of the following reports:

- (i) Report on activities of the Inspector General's Office (A/AC.96/1226); and
- (ii) Report on policy development and evaluation (A/AC.96/1227).

Item 6 Consideration and adoption of the programme budget for 2023

Under this item, the Committee will review the *programme budget 2023 of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees* (A/AC.96/1224) and the *Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions* (A/AC.96/1230).

In light of its discussions under agenda items 4(b) and 6, the Executive Committee will consider for adoption a draft general decision on administrative and financial matters.

Item 7 Review of the consultations with non-governmental organizations

The Rapporteur of the consultations with non-governmental organizations will brief the Committee.

Item 8 Other statements

The Chairperson of UNHCR's Staff Council will make a statement to the Committee.

Item 9 Meetings of the Standing Committee in 2023

The Executive Committee will consider decisions on:

- (i) the programme of work of the Standing Committee in 2023; and
- (ii) observer participation in meetings of the Standing Committee in 2022-2023.

Item 10 Consideration of the provisional agenda of the seventy-fourth plenary session of the Executive Committee

The Committee will consider a draft provisional agenda for the seventy-fourth plenary session of the Executive Committee.

Item 11 Election of officers

The Executive Committee will elect its officers to serve as of 14 October 2022 until the end of the seventy-fourth plenary session.

Item 12 Any other business

Item 13 Adoption of the report of the seventy-third session of the Executive Committee

The draft report of the seventy-third session presented to the Committee for adoption will include decisions identified under the preceding agenda items.

Item 14 Closing of the plenary session

The High Commissioner and the Chairperson will make brief closing remarks.

Annex I

Provisional timetable*

Date	Time	Item(s)
Monday, 10 October 2022	10 a.m. − 1 p.m.	1, 2, 3
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	3 (cont.)
Tuesday, 11 October 2022	10 a.m. − 1 p.m.	3 (cont.)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	3 (cont.)
Wednesday, 12 October 2022	10 a.m. − 1 p.m.	3 (cont.)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	3 (cont.)
Thursday, 13 October 2022	10 a.m. − 1 p.m.	4 (a), 4 (b)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Friday, 14 October 2022	10 a.m. − 1 p.m.	10, 11, 12, 13, 14

^{*} The timings are merely an estimate provided for the convenience of the Committee. Actual time spent in debate may vary from the estimate.

Annex II

List of documents

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A/AC.96/1223	Financial statements for the year 2021 as contained in the Report of the Board of Auditors to the General Assembly on the financial report and audited financial statements of the voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the year ended 31 December 2021	4 (b)
A/AC.96/1223/Add.1	Key issues and measures taken in response to the Report of the Board of Auditors for 2021	4 (b)
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A/AC.96/1225	Internal audit in the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022	4 (b)
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^{*} English and French only