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**Executive Committee of the  
High Commissioner's Programme**  
**Seventy-second session**  
Geneva, 4-8 October 2021  
Item 1 of the provisional agenda  
**Opening of the session, adoption of the agenda  
and other organizational matters**

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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-second session on Monday, 4 October 2021 at 10 a.m. (Central European Time (CET)).

The Executive Committee will consider the provisional agenda contained in document A/AC.96/LXXII/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, 6 September 2021.

### **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.96/1211);
- (ii) *Report on the work of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1219);
- (iii) *Report of the eightieth meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1210); and
- (iv) *Report of the eighty-first meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1217).

#### **(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 on the work of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1219);
- (ii) *Report of the eightieth meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1210);
- (iii) *Report of the eighty-first meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1217);
- (iv) *Report of the eighty-second meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1218);
- (v) *Financial statements for the year 2020 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 2020* (A/AC.96/1212);

- (vi) *Key issues and measures taken in response to the Report of the Board of Auditors for 2020 (A/AC.96/1212/Add.1);*
- (vii) *Internal audit in the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the period 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 (A/AC.96/1214); 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.96/1215); and*
- (ii) *Report on evaluation (A/AC.96/1216).*

**Item 6 Consideration and adoption of the programme budget for 2022**

Under this item, the Committee will review the *Programme budget 2022 of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/AC.96/1213)* and the *Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/AC.96/1213/Add.1)*.

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 2022**

The Executive Committee will consider decisions on:

- (i) the programme of work of the Standing Committee in 2022; and
- (ii) observer participation in meetings of the Standing Committee in 2021-2022.

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

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

**Item 11 Election of officers**

The Executive Committee will elect its officers to serve as of 8 October 2021 until the end of the seventy-third plenary session.

**Item 12 Any other business**

**Item 13 Adoption of the report of the seventy-second session of the Executive Committee**

The draft report of the seventy-second 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**

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**Provisional timetable (CET)\***

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item(s)</i>
Monday, 4 October 2021	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	1, 2, 3
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	3 (cont.)
Tuesday, 5 October 2021	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	3 (cont.)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	3 (cont.)
Wednesday, 6 October 2021	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	3 (cont.)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	4 (a)
Thursday, 7 October 2021	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	4 (b), 5
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	6, 7, 8, 9
Friday, 8 October 2021	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	10, 11, 12, 13, 14

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\* 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

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## List of documents

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A/AC.96/1211	Note on international protection	4 (a)
A/AC.96/1212	Financial statements for the year 2020 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 2020	4 (b)
A/AC.96/1212/Add.1	Key issues and measures taken in response to the Report of the Board of Auditors for 2020	4 (b)
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