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## Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme

### Sixty-sixth session

Geneva, 5 - 9 October 2015

Item 2 of the provisional agenda

**Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

## Provisional agenda and annotations

### Note by the Secretariat

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\* Please note that the sequencing of the statement by the High Commissioner and general debate (item 3) and the high-level segment (item 4) may change.



13. Any other business.
14. Adoption of the report of the sixty-sixth session of the Executive Committee.
15. Closing of the session.

## **II. Annotations**

### **Item 1 Opening of the session**

The Chairperson of the Executive Committee will open the sixty-sixth session on Monday, 5 October 2015 at 10 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

### **Item 2 Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

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

### **Item 3 Statement by the High Commissioner and general debate**

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

The general debate is articulated around issues raised in the statement of the High Commissioner. For its preparation, 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 7 September 2015.

### **Item 4 High-level segment on the Afghan refugee situation**

The objective of the high-level segment is to reinvigorate support for the Afghan Solutions Strategy to support Voluntary Repatriation, Sustainable Reintegration and Assistance to Host Countries. The year 2015 is considered a pivotal one for Afghanistan, opening up opportunities to make progress in pursuit of durable solutions. The Committee will, therefore, consider measures to achieve this end.

The list of speakers for the high-level segment will be opened on 7 September 2015.

### **Item 5 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.96/1145);
- (ii) *Report on the work of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1153);

- (iii) *Report of the sixty-second meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1144); and
- (iv) *Report of the sixty-third meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1151).

**(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.96/1153);
- (ii) *Report of the sixty-second meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1144);
- (iii) *Report of the sixty-third meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1151);
- (iv) *Report of the sixty-fourth meeting of the Standing Committee* (A/AC.96/1152);
- (v) *Financial statements for the year 2014 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 2014* (A/AC.96/1146);
- (vi) *Key issues and measures taken in response to the Report of the Board of Auditors for 2014* (A/AC.96/1146/Add.1); and
- (vii) *Internal Audit in the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (2014-2015)* (A/AC.96/1148).

**Item 6 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.96/1149); and
- (ii) *Report on policy development and evaluation* (A/AC.96/1150).

**Item 7 Consideration and adoption of the biennial programme budget 2016-2017**

Under this item, the Committee will review the *Biennial programme budget 2016-2017 of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees* (A/AC.96/1147) and the *Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions* (A/AC.96/1147/Add.1).

In light of its discussions under agenda items 5 (b) and 7, the Executive Committee will consider for adoption a draft general decision on administrative and financial matters.

**Item 8 Review of the annual consultations with non-governmental organizations**

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

**Item 9 Other statements**

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

**Item 10 Meetings of the Standing Committee in 2016**

The Executive Committee will consider decisions on:

- (i) the programme of work of the Standing Committee in 2016; and
- (ii) observer participation in meetings of the Standing Committee in 2015-2016.

**Item 11 Consideration of the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the Executive Committee**

The Committee will consider a draft provisional agenda for the sixty-seventh session of the Executive Committee.

**Item 12 Election of officers**

The Executive Committee will elect its officers to serve as of 9 October 2015 until the end of the sixty-seventh plenary session.

**Item 13 Any other business**

**Item 14 Adoption of the report of the sixty-sixth session of the Executive Committee**

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

**Item 15 Closing of the session**

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

## Annex I

### Provisional timetable\*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item(s)</i>
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	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	3 (cont.)
Tuesday, 6 October 2015	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	3 (cont.)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	4
Wednesday, 7 October 2015	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	4 (cont.)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	4 (cont.)
Thursday, 8 October 2015	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	5 (a)
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	5 (a) (cont.), 5 (b)
Friday, 9 October 2015	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	12, 13, 14, 15

\* 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.96/1145 and Corr.1*	Note on international protection	5 (a)
A/AC.96/1146	Financial statements for the year 2014 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 2014	5 (b)
A/AC.96/1146/Add.1	Key issues and measures taken in response to the Report of the Board of Auditors for 2014	5 (b)
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