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of all Forms of
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OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION
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PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND ANNOTATIONS

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The seventy- fifth session of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination will be held at the United Nations Office in Geneva from 3 to 28 August 2009. The first meeting of the session will be convened at 10 a.m., on Monday 3 August 2009.
2. This document contains the provisional agenda for the session, prepared by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee in accordance with rule 6 of the rules of procedure, together with annotations relating thereto.
3. The attention of States parties is drawn, in particular to the annex which contains a tentative timetable for the consideration of reports submitted by States parties and for the consideration of States parties whose reports are seriously overdue, pursuant to the review procedure.
4. In accordance with rule 64 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the States parties are invited to be present at the meetings of the Committee when their reports are examined.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Filling of casual vacancy.
3. Organizational and other matters.
4. Prevention of racial discrimination, including early warning measures and urgent action procedures.
5. Consideration of reports, comments and information submitted by States parties under article 9 of the Convention.
6. Submission of reports by States parties under article 9, paragraph 1, of the Convention.
7. Consideration of communications under article 14 of the Convention.
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9. Follow-up to the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the Durban Review Conference.
10. Universal Periodic Review Procedure of the Human Rights Council.

ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

Under rule 8 of the rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda of any session shall be the adoption of the agenda, except for the election of the officers when required under rule 15. In accordance with rule 9, the Committee may revise the agenda during a session and may, as appropriate, add, defer, or delete items.

2. Filling of casual vacancy

In accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure, following the resignation of a member, the name of the expert appointed by the concerned States parties from among their nationals to serve for the remainder of their predecessors' term will be submitted to the Committee for approval.

3. Organizational and other matters

Under this item, the Committee will consider its programme of work for the seventy-fifth session. It will also discuss a draft text for general recommendation No. 32 on special measures within the meaning of article 1, paragraph 4, and article 2, paragraph 2, of the Convention

4. Prevention of racial discrimination, including early warning measures and urgent action procedures

The Committee decided at its forty-fifth session to establish this item as one of its regular and principal agenda items. Within the framework of its efforts to prevent racial discrimination, the Committee may decide to take early warning measures aimed at preventing existing problems from escalating into conflicts or it may decide to initiate urgent action procedures aimed at responding to problems requiring immediate attention to prevent or limit the scale or number of serious violations of the Convention.

5. Consideration of reports, comments and information submitted by States parties under article 9 of the Convention

At its seventy-fifth session, the Committee will consider periodic reports received from the following States parties: Azerbaijan, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Ethiopia, Greece, Philippines, Peru, Poland and the United Arab Emirates.

It has also scheduled for a review of the implementation of the Convention in the following States parties for which periodic reports are seriously overdue: Kuwait and Maldives.

In pursuance of established practice and in conformity with rule 64 of the rules of procedure, the Secretary-General has informed the States parties concerned of the tentative dates on which their reports are scheduled for consideration by the Committee. The scheduling of the consideration of reports submitted and the review of the implementation of the Convention in States parties whose reports are seriously overdue is set forth in the annexed timetable.

6. Submission of reports by States parties under article 9, paragraph 1, of the Convention

At its seventy- fifth session, the Committee will have before it a note by the Secretary-General concerning the status of submission of reports by States parties in accordance with article 9 of the Convention (CERD/C/75/2). Part A of that document lists the reports received from States parties and pending consideration by the Committee. Part B of the document contains information relating to overdue reports.

7. Consideration of communications under article 14 of the Convention

In accordance with the provisions of chapter XVIII of its rules of procedure, the Committee will consider under this item communications which are submitted to it under article 14 of the Convention.

In accordance with rule 88 of the rules of procedure, the meetings of the Committee during which communications under article 14 of the Convention are examined shall be closed.

8. Follow-up procedure

In accordance with the provisions of article 65 of its rules of procedure, the Committee will consider under this item follow-up information submitted by States parties in relation to the observations and recommendations of the Committee.

9. Follow-up to the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the Durban Review Conference

The Secretariat will brief the Committee on follow-up activities to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action adopted at the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and on the Durban Review Conference.

10. Universal Periodic Review Procedure of the Human Rights Council

In accordance with a decision taken at its seventy-third session, the Committee will consider under this item matters related to the Universal Periodic Review of the Human Rights Council.

Annex

**TENTATIVE TIMETABLE FOR CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS,
COMMENTS AND FURTHER INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY
STATES PARTIES AND FOR CONSIDERATION OF STATES
PARTIES WHOSE REPORTS ARE SERIOUSLY OVERDUE
PURSUANT TO THE REVIEW PROCEDURE**

The following timetable has been drawn up by the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Chairman, taking into account the relevant decisions taken by the Committee at its seventy-fourth session.

Monday, 3 August 2009		(1933rd and 1934th meetings)
a.m.		Dialogue with United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other competent bodies
p.m.	Peru	Combined fourteenth to seventeenth periodic reports (CERD/C/PER/14-17)
Tuesday, 4 August 2009		(1935th and 1936th meetings)
a.m.	Peru	(continued)
p.m.	United Arab Emirates	Combined twelfth to seventeenth periodic reports (CERD/C/ARE/12-17)
Wednesday, 5 August 2009		(1937th and 1938th meetings)
a.m.	United Arab Emirates	(continued)
p.m.	Poland	Combined seventeenth to nineteenth periodic report (CERD/C/POL/19)
Thursday, 6 August 2009		(1939th meeting)
a.m.	Poland	(continued)

Friday, 7 August 2009		(1942nd meeting)
p.m.	China	Combined tenth to thirteenth periodic reports (CERD/C/CHN/10-13, CERD/C/HKG/13, CERD/C/MAC/13)
Monday, 10 August 2009		(1943rd and 1944th meetings)
a.m.	China	(continued)
p.m.	Greece	Combined sixteenth to nineteenth periodic reports (CERD/C/GRC/19)
Tuesday, 11 August 2009		(1945th and 1946th meetings)
a.m.	Greece	(continued)
p.m.	Azerbaijan	Combined fifth and sixth periodic reports (CERD/C/AZE/6)
Wednesday, 12 August 2009		(1947th and 1948th meetings)
a.m.	Azerbaijan	(continued)
p.m.	Colombia	Combined tenth to fourteenth periodic reports (CERD/C/COL/14)
Thursday, 13 August 2009		(1949th and-1950th meetings)
a.m.	Colombia	(continued)

p.m.	Chile	Combined fifteenth to eighteenth periodic reports (CERD/C/CHL/15-18)
Friday, 14 August 2008		(1951st meeting)
a.m.	Chile	(continued)
Monday, 17 August 2009		(1954th meeting)
p.m.	Chad	Combined tenth to fifteenth periodic reports (CERD/C/TCD/15)
Tuesday, 18 August 2009		1955th and 1956th meetings
a.m.	Chad	(continued)
p.m.	Philippines	Combined fifteenth to twentieth periodic reports (CERD/C/PHL/20)
Wednesday, 19 August 2009		1957th and 1958th meetings
a.m.	Philippines	(continued)
p.m.	Ethiopia	Combined seventh to sixteenth periodic reports (CERD/C/ETH/7-16)
Thursday, 20 August 2009		1959th and 1960th meetings
a.m.	Ethiopia	(continued)
