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Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with rule 6 of the rules of procedure, the present provisional agenda was prepared by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Chair of the Committee.

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 when the election of officers is 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.

The Committee will be invited to consider, revise as necessary, and adopt the agenda for the session.



2. Organizational and other matters

The 103rd session of the Committee will take place online, from 19 to 30 April 2021. The first meeting of the session will be convened at 3 p.m. on Monday, 19 April 2021.

The Committee will consider its programme of work for the 103rd session. Furthermore, it will continue to review its working methods.

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

The Committee decided at its forty-fifth session to establish the present 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 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.

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

At its 103rd session, the Committee will consider the periodic report received from Belgium (CERD/C/BEL/20-22).

In accordance with established practice and in conformity with rule 64 of the Committee's rules of procedure, the Secretary-General has informed the State party concerned of the tentative dates on which its report has been scheduled for consideration by the Committee. A timetable for the consideration of the report submitted is set out in the annex.

5. Submission of reports by States parties under article 9 (1) of the Convention

At its 103rd session, the Committee will have before it a note by the Secretary-General concerning the status of submission of reports by States parties under article 9 (1) of the Convention (CERD/C/103/2). Table 1 of that document contains a list of the reports received from States parties and pending consideration by the Committee. Table 2 contains information relating to overdue reports.

6. Consideration of communications under article 11 of the Convention

At its 103rd session, the Committee will pursue its consideration of communications submitted under article 11 of the Convention.

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 communications that have been 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 rule 65 of its rules of procedure, the Committee will consider information submitted by States parties in follow-up 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 Committee will discuss 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 to the Durban Review Conference.

10. Consideration of copies of petitions, copies of reports and other information relating to Trust and Non-Self-Governing Territories and to all other territories to which General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) applies, in conformity with article 15 of the Convention.

The Committee will consider a note by the Secretary-General (CERD/C/103/3) concerning article 15 of the Convention and listing, as appropriate, copies of petitions, reports and working papers relating to the Trusteeship Council and the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.

Annex**Tentative timetable for the consideration of reports,
comments and further information submitted by States
parties**

The timetable below has been drawn up by the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Chair, taking into account the relevant decisions taken by the Committee at its 102nd session.

<i>Day</i>	<i>Number and time of meeting</i>	<i>State party</i>
Tuesday 20 April 2021 (to be confirmed)	2814th 3–5 p.m.	Belgium
Wednesday 21 April 2021 (to be confirmed)	2815th 3–5 p.m.	Belgium (continued)
Thursday 22 April 2021 (to be confirmed)	2816th 3–5 p.m.	Belgium (continued)
