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Annotations

1. Election of officers

In accordance with rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, each year, at the commencement of its first meeting, the Committee elects its Chair and four Vice-Chairs. In accordance with rule 19, Bureau members are eligible for re-election. One Vice-Chair is later designated also to serve as Rapporteur.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

In accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Council, the Committee, at the beginning of each session, after the election of its officers, adopts the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda. The provisional agenda for the current session was approved by the Council in its decision 2024/341.

3. Applications for consultative status with the Council and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

(a) Deferred applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification

The Committee will consider applications and requests for reclassification deferred from the sessions of previous years.

Documentation

Applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held during the period 2012–2024 (E/C.2/2025/CRP.1).

Requests received from non-governmental organizations for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2025/CRP.2).

(b) New applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification

The Committee will consider new applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification from non-governmental organizations and will act thereon.

Documentation

New applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: memorandums by the Secretary-General (E/C.2/2025/R.2 and E/C.2/2025/R.2/Add.1-[TBC]). [Add.17](#)

No new requests for reclassification have been received.

(c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status

The Committee will consider applications from non-governmental organizations in consultative status that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.

Documentation

Requests for merger deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2025/CRP.3).

4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

(a) Deferred quadrennial reports

(b) New quadrennial reports

In accordance with Council resolution 1996/31, organizations in consultative status with the Council are required to submit, every fourth year, a report on their activities relating to, or in support of, the United Nations. The Committee will consider deferred quadrennial reports (2005–2024) and quadrennial reports submitted for the period 2020–2023.

Documentation

Compilation of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions (E/C.2/2025/CRP.6).

Quadrennial reports for the period 2020–2023: notes by the Secretary-General (E/C.2/2025/2, E/C.2/2025/2/Add.1–4 and E/C.2/2025/CRP.7–36).

5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch

The Secretariat will report orally on the item.

6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304

In its resolution [72/305](#), the General Assembly invited the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to examine in a timely manner how it could accommodate effectively the growing number of applications of non-governmental organizations for consultative status, in line with its mandate set out in Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996.

(a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations

(b) Issues on the agenda of the informal working group

(c) Other related matters

Organizations requesting a change of name.

Organizations requesting the withdrawal of status owing to the dissolution of the organization.

Documentation

Compilation of requests for a change of name received by the Secretariat (E/C.2/2025/CRP.4).

7. Special reports

8. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network

In its decision 2002/225, the Council established the general voluntary trust fund and requested the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch to identify and obtain the necessary financial, human and technical resources needed to carry out, in partnership with non-governmental organizations, Governments and other interested stakeholders, the development projects envisaged in the future framework of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.

The Secretariat will report orally thereon.

9. Provisional agenda and documentation of the 2026 session

In its resolution [1894 \(LVII\)](#), the Council requested the Secretary-General to submit at each session of a subsidiary body of the Council, a draft provisional agenda for its following session, together with information relating to documentation.

10. Adoption of the report of the Committee

The Committee is required to report to the Council on its 2025 session.
