**Decision 2015/229**

**Dates and provisional agenda of the 2016 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

At its 51st plenary meeting, on 20 July 2015, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Decided that the 2016 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 25 January to 3 February and on 16 February, and its resumed session from 23 May to 1 June and on 10 June;

(b) Approved the provisional agenda of the 2016 session of the Committee as set out below:

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1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
   - (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee;
   - (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification;
   - (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.

4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council:
   - (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council;
   - (b) Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council.

5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat.

6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304:
   - (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;
   - (b) Consideration of issues on the agenda of the informal working group;
   - (c) Other related matters.

7. Consideration of special reports.

9. Provisional agenda and documentation of the 2017 session of the Committee.

10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.