## **Decision 2016/239**

## Dates and provisional agenda of the 2017 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

At its 45<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting, on 25 July 2016, the Economic and Social Council:

- (a) Decided that the 2017 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 30 January to 8 February and on 21 February 2017 and its resumed session from 22 to 31 May and on 12 June 2017;
- (b) Approved the provisional agenda for the 2017 session of the Committee as set out below.
- 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 nongovernmental 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 United Nations 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.

- 8. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.
- 9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2018 session of the Committee.
- 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.