

ECOSOC Decision 2008/245

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its seventeenth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the eighteenth session of the Commission

At its 42nd plenary meeting, on 24 July 2008, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Took note of the report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its seventeenth session;¹

(b) Decided that the topics for the thematic discussion at the eighteenth session of the Commission would be:

(i) “Economic fraud and identity-related crime”;

(ii) “Penal reform and the reduction of prison overcrowding, including the provision of legal aid in criminal justice systems”;

(c) Also decided that the discussion on each of the themes would have a duration of one day;

(d) Approved the provisional agenda and documentation for the eighteenth session of the Commission as set out below:

Provisional agenda and documentation for the eighteenth session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

A. Provisional agenda

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Thematic discussion:
 - (a) “Economic fraud and identity-related crime”;
 - (b) “Penal reform and the reduction of prison overcrowding, including the provision of legal aid in criminal justice systems”.
4. World crime trends and responses: integration and coordination of efforts by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and by Member States in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice:
 - (a) Work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in facilitating the ratification and implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime;
 - (b) Work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in facilitating the ratification and implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption;

¹ Ibid., *Supplement No. 10* (E/2008/30).

- (c) Work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in facilitating the ratification and implementation of the international instruments to prevent and combat terrorism;
 - (d) Other activities in support of the work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, in particular activities of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme network, non-governmental organizations and other bodies.
5. Preparations for the Twelfth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.
 6. Use and application of United Nations standards and norms in crime prevention and criminal justice.
 7. Policy directives for the crime programme of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the role of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice as its governing body, including administrative, strategic management and budgetary questions and follow-up to resolutions.
 8. Provisional agenda for the nineteenth session.
 9. Other business.
 10. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its eighteenth session.

B. Documentation

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.

Documentation

Provisional agenda, annotations and proposed organization of work

3. Thematic discussion:
 - (a) “Economic fraud and identity-related crime”;
 - (b) “Penal reform and reduction of prison overcrowding, including the provision of legal aid in criminal justice systems”.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat (*as required*)

4. World crime trends and responses: integration and coordination of efforts by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and by Member States in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation in combating transnational organized crime and corruption

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance in implementing the universal conventions and protocols related to terrorism

Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation in the prevention, investigation, prosecution and punishment of economic fraud and identity-related crime

Report of the Executive Director on the activities of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Report of the Executive Director on international cooperation in preventing and combating illicit international trafficking in forest products, including timber, wildlife and other forest biological resources

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the institutes of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme network

Note by the Secretariat on world crime trends and responses: integration and coordination of efforts by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and by Member States in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice (*as required*)

5. Preparations for the Twelfth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to General Assembly resolution 63/___, entitled "Preparations for the Twelfth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice"

6. Use and application of United Nations standards and norms in crime prevention and criminal justice.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations standards and norms in crime prevention and criminal justice

Report of the Secretary-General on support of national efforts for child justice reform, in particular through technical assistance and improved United Nations system-wide coordination

Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation for the improvement of access to legal aid in criminal justice systems, particularly in Africa

7. Policy directives for the crime programme of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the role of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice as its governing body, including administrative, strategic management and budgetary questions and follow-up to resolutions.

Documentation

Report of the Executive Director on the implementation of the consolidated budget for the biennium 2008-2009 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Report of the Executive Director on the consolidated budget for the biennium 2010-2011 for the United Nations Office on Drugs

and Crime (*to be submitted for the reconvened eighteenth session*)

Report of the Executive Director on programmes and initiatives to be implemented by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in the biennium 2010-2011 (*as required*)

Report of the Executive Director on ways and means of improving the financial situation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (*as required*)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the consolidated budget for the biennium 2010-2011 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (*to be submitted for the reconvened eighteenth session*)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute

8. Provisional agenda for the nineteenth session.
9. Other business.
10. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its eighteenth session.