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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Thirty-third session

New York, 27 February 2019

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

A. BACKGROUND

The thirty-third session of the Committee of the Whole has been convened by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Government of Cuba, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC.

B. CHAIR

The meeting will be chaired by the representative of Cuba, in its capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC.

C. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Economic and social panorama of Latin America and the Caribbean.
3. Discussion on the reform of the United Nations development system.
4. Report on the preparations for the third meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (Santiago, 24–26 April 2019).
5. Approval of the place and date of the thirty-eighth session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the third session of the Regional Conference on Social Development in Latin America and the Caribbean.
6. Other matters.

D. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

The delegations will have before them for consideration and adoption the provisional agenda¹ prepared by the secretariat, bearing in mind the various mandates of the Commission. Representatives of member States may make such observations or suggest such modifications as they deem appropriate.

2. Economic and social panorama of Latin America and the Caribbean

The Executive Secretary of ECLAC will report to delegations on the economic and social panorama of the region.

¹ LC/L.PLEN.33/1.

3. **Discussion on the reform of the United Nations development system**

The Executive Secretary of ECLAC and the President of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations will present the most salient aspects of the Secretary-General's reform of the United Nations development system. This will be followed by an opportunity for comments and discussion.

4. **Report on the preparations for the third meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (Santiago, 24–26 April 2019)**

The secretariat will report on the proposed organization of work and preparations for the third meeting of the Forum, which will be chaired by Cuba and held at ECLAC headquarters in Santiago from 24 to 26 April 2019, as well as the Forum's preparatory activities, which will be held on the two days immediately preceding.

5. **Approval of the place and date of the thirty-eighth session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the third session of the Regional Conference on Social Development in Latin America and the Caribbean**

Under the rules of procedure of the Commission (rule 34), draft resolutions must be introduced in writing and handed to the Executive Secretary, who shall circulate copies to the representatives twenty-four hours before they are discussed and voted upon.

At the request of the Chair of the Committee of the Whole, the secretariat will circulate the draft resolution on the place and date of the thirty-eighth session of ECLAC and the draft resolution on the place and date of the third session of the Regional Conference on Social Development in Latin America and the Caribbean by 20 February 2019 at the latest, in accordance with rule 34 of the rules of procedure of the Commission.

6. **Other matters**

This item provides for consideration of any other issues which delegations may wish to raise.