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Agenda item 7

Adoption of the report of the Commission on its seventh session

Draft report

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Chapter ____

Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Science and Technology for Development held its seventh session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 24 to 28 May 2004. The Commission held ____ meetings (1st to ____).
2. The session was opened by the Chairman, Mr. Arnolfo Ventura (Jamaica), who also made an opening statement.
3. At the 1st meeting, on 24 May, the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development addressed the Commission.

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by representatives of ____ States members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations also attended. The list of participants for the session is contained in document E/CN.16/2004/____.

C. Election of officers

5. At the 10th meeting of its sixth session, on 9 May 2003, the Commission had elected the following members of the Bureau of its seventh session by acclamation:

Chairman: Mr. Arnaldo Ventura (Jamaica)

Vice-Chairpersons: Mrs. Galina Butovskaya (Belarus)

Mr. Vijaya Kumar (Sri Lanka)

Mr. Jesús Martínez Frias (Spain)

Mr. Zacharie Perevet (Cameroon)

6. At its 1st meeting, on 24 May, the Commission designated Mr. Vijaya Kumar (Sri Lanka) Vice-Chairman with rapporteurial responsibilities.

D. Agenda and organization of work

7. At its 1st meeting, on 24 May, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda and approved its organization of work, as contained in document E/CN.16/2004/1, as corrected. The agenda, as corrected, read as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
2. Substantive theme: "Promoting the application of science and technology to meet the development goals contained in the Millennium Declaration", with particular attention to policies and measures that would (a) improve the policy environment for the application of science and technology to development, (b) strengthen basic and applied research in developing countries, (c) strengthen technology support institutions and science advisory mechanisms, and (d) promote affordable universal Internet access
3. Implementation of and progress made on decisions taken at the sixth regular session of the Commission
4. National country reports
5. Election of the Chairperson and other officers for the eighth regular session of the Commission
6. Provisional agenda and documentation for the eighth session of the Commission
7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its seventh session.

E. Documentation

8. The documents before the Commission at its seventh session are listed in annex ____.