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Item 1
Election of officers

1. Under paragraph 3 of rule 64 of the rules of procedure of the Trade and Development Board, and in accordance with the cycle of rotation for the election of the Chair and the Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur, the Chair of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget at its eightieth session will be a representative of one of the States members on list D. The Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur will be a representative of one of the States members on list A (Africa).

* This document was scheduled for publication after the standard publication date owing to circumstances beyond the control of the UNCTAD secretariat.
Item 2
Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

2. The Working Party will be invited to approve the provisional agenda for its eightieth session, as reproduced in chapter I above.

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Item 3
Technical cooperation strategy

3. The Trade and Development Board, at its sixty-eighth executive session in October 2019, requested the UNCTAD secretariat “to prepare a draft strategy for its technical cooperation in consultation with regional groups and to initiate a preliminary discussion at a session of the Working Party to be held in the first quarter of 2020” (decision 550 (EX-LXVIII), paragraph 3 (TD/B/EX/68/5)). The eightieth session of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget has been scheduled for 30 and 31 March 2020. Following consultations with regional group coordinators, the UNCTAD secretariat is preparing a non-paper on a technical cooperation strategy as the basis for discussions. As agreed with regional group coordinators, the non-paper will include only a list of issues for discussion and will be distributed well ahead of the session.

Item 4
Provisional agenda for the eighty-first session of the Working Party

4. In the course of the session, the secretariat will submit a draft provisional agenda for the eighty-first session of the Working Party.

Item 5
Other business

Item 6
Adoption of the report of the Working Party to the Trade and Development Board

5. The report of the eightieth session of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget will be submitted to the Trade and Development Board.