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Annotated provisional agenda

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II. Composition of the Working Group

1. The Working Group is composed of all States members of the Commission, which are the following: Afghanistan (2028), Algeria (2025), Argentina (2028), Armenia (2028), Australia (2028), Austria (2028), Belarus (2028), Belgium (2025), Brazil (2028), Bulgaria (2028), Cameroon (2025), Canada (2025), Chile (2028), China (2025), Colombia (2028), Côte d'Ivoire (2025), Croatia (2025), Czechia (2028), Democratic Republic of the Congo (2028), Dominican Republic (2025), Ecuador (2025), Finland (2025), France (2025), Germany (2025), Ghana (2025), Greece (2028), Honduras (2025), Hungary (2025), India (2028), Indonesia (2025), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2028), Iraq (2028), Israel (2028), Italy (2028), Japan (2025), Kenya (2028), Kuwait (2028), Malawi (2028), Malaysia (2025), Mali (2025), Mauritius (2028), Mexico (2025), Morocco (2028), Nigeria (2028), Panama (2028), Peru (2025), Poland (2028), Republic of Korea (2025), Russian Federation (2025), Saudi Arabia (2028), Singapore (2025), Somalia (2028), South Africa (2025), Spain (2028), Switzerland (2025), Thailand (2028), Türkiye (2028), Turkmenistan (2028), Uganda (2028), Ukraine (2025), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2025), United States of America (2028), Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (2028), Viet Nam (2025) and Zimbabwe (2025).



2. States not members of the Commission and international governmental organizations may attend the session as observers and participate in the deliberations. In addition, invited international non-governmental organizations may attend the session as observers and represent the views of their organizations on matters where the organization concerned has expertise or international experience so as to facilitate the deliberations at the session.

III. Annotations to agenda items

Item 1. Opening of the session and scheduling of meetings

3. The sixty-seventh session of the Working Group will be held at the Vienna International Centre from 18 to 22 November 2024.

4. Meeting hours will be from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2 to 5 p.m., except on Monday, 18 November 2024, when the session will be opened at 10 a.m.

5. The Working Group is expected to hold substantive deliberations during the first nine half-day meetings (i.e. from Monday to Friday morning) and to adopt a report for the session during the tenth and final meeting (i.e. on Friday afternoon). It is proposed that deliberations under agenda item 4 be held on Monday and Tuesday (if need be). Other arrangements for the session will be announced on the Working Group web page of the UNCITRAL website in due course. Documentation for the session will also be posted on the web page upon issuance in all official languages of the United Nations.

Item 2. Election of officers

6. In accordance with its practice, the Working Group may wish to elect a Chairperson and a Rapporteur.

Item 4. Guide to enactment of the UNCITRAL Model Law on Automated Contracting

7. Under this agenda item, the Working Group is expected to review the guide to enactment of the UNCITRAL Model Law on Automated Contracting (“MLAC”) with a view to its finalization and publication.

(a) Background information

8. At its fifty-seventh session, in 2024, the Commission finalized and adopted the MLAC and gave its in-principle approval to a draft guide to enactment thereof.¹ The Commission based its deliberations on a set of draft provisions on automated contracting (A/CN.9/1178) and accompanying draft guide to enactment (A/CN.9/1179) which the UNCITRAL secretariat had prepared at the request of the Working Group at its sixty-sixth session (A/CN.9/1162, para. 93). The Commission also requested the secretariat to finalize the draft guide to enactment by reflecting the deliberations and decisions of the Commission at its fifty-seventh session, and authorized the Working Group to review the guide at its sixty-seventh session.

9. A summary of earlier exploratory and preparatory work on the use of artificial intelligence (AI) and automation in contracting can be found in A/CN.9/WG.IV/WP.181 (paras. 5–7) and A/CN.9/WG.IV/WP.174 (para. 6).

¹ For the decision adopting the model law, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-ninth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/79/17)*, para. 239. The text of the model law, as adopted, is reproduced in annex IV of that document.

(b) Documentation

10. The Working Group will have before it a note by the secretariat containing revisions to the draft guide to enactment of the MLAC reflecting the deliberations and decisions of the Commission at its fifty-seventh session ([A/CN.9/WG.IV/WP.185](#)).

11. In addition to the documents cited in paragraph 8 above, the Working Group may also wish to refer the report of the Commission on the work of its fifty-seventh session ([A/79/17](#)) to inform its deliberations under this agenda item, in particular chapter VII thereof, which records the Commission's consideration of the draft provisions and guide to enactment, as well as its decision to adopt the MLAC.

Item 5. Data provision contracts

12. Under this agenda item, the Working Group is expected to continue working on the formulation of default rules on data provision contracts.

(a) Background information

13. At its fifty-fifth session, in 2022, the Commission mandated the Working Group to proceed with work on data provision contracts in tandem with work on the use of AI and automation in contracting.²

14. The Working Group has considered the topic of data provision contracts at two sessions:

(a) At its sixty-fifth session (New York, 10–14 April 2023), the Working Group commenced its work on the basis of a set of draft default rules prepared by the secretariat ([A/CN.9/1132](#), paras. 9–51);

(b) At its sixty-sixth session (Vienna, 16–20 October 2023), the Working Group progressed its work on the basis of a first revision of the draft default rules prepared by the secretariat ([A/CN.9/1162](#), paras. 59–89).

15. At its fifty-seventh session, in 2024, the Commission expressed its satisfaction with the progress made by the Working Group on the topic.³ A summary of earlier exploratory and preparatory work on the topic can be found in [A/CN.9/WG.IV/WP.178](#) (para. 5).

(b) Documentation

16. The Working Group will have before it a note by the secretariat containing a second revision of the draft default rules on data provision contracts reflecting the deliberations and decisions of the Working Group at its sixty-sixth session ([A/CN.9/WG.IV/WP.186](#)).

17. The Working Group may also wish to refer to the following documents to inform its deliberations under this agenda item:

(a) Earlier drafts of the default rules prepared by the secretariat and considered by the Working Group (as mentioned in para. 14 above), namely:

(i) The “initial draft” ([A/CN.9/WG.IV/WP.180](#)), which was considered by the Working Group at its sixty-fifth session; and

(ii) The “first revision” ([A/CN.9/WG.IV/WP.183](#)), which was considered by the Working Group at its sixty-seventh session;

² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-seventh Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/77/17)*, para. 163.

³ *Ibid.*, *Seventy-ninth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/79/17)*, para. 251.

(b) Earlier notes by the secretariat submitted to the Commission on data transactions, namely:

(i) A progress report on exploratory work on data transactions (A/CN.9/1012), submitted to the Commission for its fifty-third session;⁴

(ii) A progress report on preparatory work on data transactions (A/CN.9/1064), submitted to the Commission for its fifty-fourth session;⁵ and

(iii) A proposal for future work on data transactions (A/CN.9/1117), submitted to the Commission for its fifty-fifth session;⁶ and

(c) *Taxonomy of Legal Issues Related to the Digital Economy* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.12.V.11), prepared by the secretariat and available in pre-print (English only) on the UNCITRAL website.

Item 7. Adoption of the report

18. The Working Group may wish to adopt, at the close of the session, a report on the work of the session for submission to the Commission.

⁴ Ibid., *Seventy-fifth Session, Supplement No. 17* (A/75/17), paras. 67–76.

⁵ Ibid., *Seventy-sixth Session, Supplement No. 17* (A/76/17), para. 237.

⁶ Ibid., *Seventy-seventh Session, Supplement No. 17* (A/77/17), paras. 150–155 and 161–164.