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CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY
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Item 4.3.1 of the provisional agenda

DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIRST MEETING
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Note by the Interim Secretariat

1. The Conference of the Parties will have to adopt an agenda for its work at its first meeting. The Committee may wish to prepare a provisional agenda to guide the preparation for the meeting by the Interim Secretariat and to facilitate the work of the Conference of the Parties.
2. In order to assist the Committee, the Interim Secretariat has prepared a skeletal draft of the provisional agenda, which is annexed to the present note. It is intended to serve as the basis for the Committee's input.
3. It should be noted that item 4 covers the matters stipulated in the Convention for action by the Conference of the Parties at its first meeting. Item 5 is suggested to include matters which the Committee may wish to recommend that the Conference of the Parties consider at its first meeting. Bearing in mind the two-week duration of the meeting and the matters already listed under item 4, the Committee may wish to recommend, in priority order, those items which it thinks the Conference of the Parties should consider even if they are not stipulated in the Convention for attention at its first meeting. The Committee may also wish to advise the Conference of the Parties that such items should be taken up only when the Conference of the Parties has completed its work on matters listed under item 4.

Annex

DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIRST MEETING
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE
CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Organizational matters:
 - 2.1 Election of officers;¹
 - 2.2 Adoption of the rules of procedure;
 - 2.3 Adoption of the agenda;
 - 2.4 Organization of work.
3. Presentation by the Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Convention on Biological Diversity on the preparatory work of the Committee.
4. Matters stipulated by the Convention for action by the Conference of the Parties at its first meeting:

Matters relating to the financial mechanism

- 4.1 Policy, strategy, programme priorities and eligibility criteria regarding access to and utilization of financial resources;
- 4.2 Institutional structure to operate the financial mechanism under the Convention;
- 4.3 List of developed country Parties and other Parties which voluntarily assume the obligations of developed country Parties;

Scientific and technical matters

- 4.4 Clearing-house mechanism for technical and scientific cooperation;

Institutional matters

- 4.5 Periodicity of the meetings of the Conference of the Parties;
- 4.6 Financial rules governing the funding of the Secretariat of the Convention;
- 4.7 Selection of a competent international organization to carry out the functions of the Secretariat of the Convention.

¹ The Conference of the Parties may wish to accept the rules of procedure of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Convention on Biological Diversity on a provisional basis for the purpose of electing its officers.

5. Matters recommended by the Intergovernmental Committee for the Convention on Biological Diversity for action by the Conference of the Parties at its first meeting.²
6. Status of ratification of the Convention.
7. Venue and date of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
8. Other matters.
9. Adoption of the report.
10. Closure of the meeting.

² It is expected that these items will emerge from the work of the Committee at its second session. See preceding note by the Interim Secretariat.