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MANAGEMENT ISSUES**STREAMLINING THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION**

This sub-item, entitled "Streamlining the work of the Commission", comprises three issues. The first is related to the lessons learned from the evaluation of 18 sessions of the Commissions and its subsidiary bodies and is presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/25/6(Part I)/Add.1. The second is related to the frequency of the sessions of the subsidiary bodies of ESCWA and will be presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/25/6(Part I)/Add.2. Under this sub-item, the Commission will also consider the report of the first meeting of the Technical Committee which will be presented in document E/ESCWA/2008/C.I/4. The Commission is requested to take note of these three issues and give guidance on further action as appropriate.
