Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Twenty-second session
Beirut, 14-17 April 2003

Item 4 of the provisional agenda

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Monday, 14 April 2003

9 - 10 a.m.                                      Item 1                                      Registration of participants.

10 - 11 a.m.                                    Opening of the twenty-second session.

11 - 11.30 a.m.                                 Closed session for heads of delegations in order to discuss organizational matters.

11.30 a.m. - noon                              Item 2                                      Election of officers.

Item 3                                      Adoption of the agenda.

Item 4                                      Proposed organization of work.

Item 5                                      Invitation to States Members of the United Nations and/or of the specialized agencies not members of the Commission to participate in the capacity of observer in the twenty-second session of the Commission.

Noon - 2.30 p.m.                                Item 9 (a)                                  The impact of the lack of stability in the Western Asia region on economic and social development.

4.30 - 6 p.m.                                  Item 8                                      Adoption of the Agreement on International Railways in the Arab Mashreq.

Tuesday, 15 April 2003

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.                                 Item 6                                      Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission: general review.

Item 7                                      General debate: summary of the issues of which the twenty-second session is seized.
Tuesday, 15 April 2003 (continued)

Item 6 (continued) Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission.

2.30 - 6 p.m. Item 6 (continued) Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission.

Wednesday, 16 April 2003

9 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Item 9 (b) The strengthening of Arab regional cooperation.

Item 10 Draft programme of work and priorities for the biennium 2004-2005.

Item 11 The role of ESCWA in coordinating regional activities of the United Nations system.

Item 12 Designating the sessions of the Commission as the forum for a biennial pledging conference: resolution 236 (XXI).

Item 13 Time and venue of the twenty-third session of the Commission.

Item 14 Other business.

12.30 - 3.30 p.m. Closed session for heads of delegations.

Thursday, 17 April 2003

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Item 15 Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twenty-second session.

Note: If the discussion of an agenda item is concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward for discussion.