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**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION**

This item covers the progress made in implementing all activities carried out by the Commission since its twenty-fifth session, which was held in Sana'a from 26 to 29 May 2008. The Commission will consider five sub-items that comprise the report, as set forth below:

(a) The results achieved in the programme of work for the 2008-2009 biennium and in each of the seven subprogrammes, the challenges faced in their implementation and the amendments made thereto, presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/26/5(Part I);

(b) Progress made in implementing the resolutions adopted by the Commission at its twenty-fifth session, presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/26/5(Part II);

(c) The technical cooperation activities undertaken by ESCWA including regional advisory services, provided to member countries, with funding from the Regular Programme of Technical Cooperation and presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/26/5(Part III)/A; and the intraregional and regional projects carried out by ESCWA with funding from the United Nations Development Account and presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/26/5(Part III)/B;

(d) The financial status of the Commission, presented in document E/ESCWA/26/5(Part IV) and including various financial issues related to Commission programmes, including the regular budget, extrabudgetary resources and the ESCWA Trust Fund;

(e) Ten reports on the sessions of the subsidiary bodies held between the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth sessions of the Commission and presented in document E/ESCWA/26/5(Part V).
