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IPU COMMITTEE ON UNITED NATIONS AFFAIRS

Provisional draft agenda

1. Election of President

Members will elect a member to preside over the first session of the Committee on United Nations Affairs. They will be briefed on arrangements for the session.

2. The United Nations and the world of parliaments

The debate on this item will be introduced by three panellists who will provide an overview of the United Nations and recent efforts to modernize the organization, trace the history of parliaments' – and IPU's – interaction with the United Nations, and introduce the draft report of the Advisory Group of the Committee on UN Affairs on the nature of the relationship between the United Nations, parliaments and the IPU.

3. Parliaments and the Millennium Development Goals

The participants will be informed of the content and progress achieved to date in implementing the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), and will discuss the role of parliaments and the IPU in meeting the development targets set by the international community.

4. Parliamentary campaign on climate change

After a briefing, the participants will discuss follow-up to the Presidential Statement on Climate Change that was endorsed by the 116th IPU Assembly in May 2007.

5. Focus on UNCTAD XII

The Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) will present a progress report on preparations for UNCTAD XII, which will take place in Accra, Ghana, on 20-25 April 2008. His presentation will be followed by a question and answer session and a discussion of a possible IPU input to UNCTAD XII.

6. The IPU Committee on United Nations Affairs

The Rapporteur of the Advisory Group of the Committee on United Nations Affairs will present a report on the Group's first meeting in July 2007 and submit the Group's recommendations for the mandate and future programme of work of both the full Committee and its Advisory Group.

7. Any other business