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132nd IPU Assembly

Hanoi (Viet Nam), 28 March - 1 April 2015



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Time	Meeting	Place
8 a.m. – 9.15 a.m.	Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians	Room 343 3 rd floor, NCC (in camera)
9 a.m. – 11 a.m.	Bureau of the Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights	Room 259 2 nd floor, NCC (in camera)
9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	Meeting of Women Parliamentarians	Room 241 2 nd floor, NCC
11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Joint Meeting with Chairpersons of Geopolitical Groups	Room 259 2 nd floor, NCC (in camera)
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.	Meeting of Advisers and Secretaries to delegations	Room 309 3 rd floor, NCC
2 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Meeting of Women Parliamentarians	Room 241 2 nd floor, NCC
2 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	♦ Celebration of the 30 th anniversary of the Meeting of Women Parliamentarians	
3.30 p.m. – 5 p.m.	♦ Panel discussion on Beijing +20	
2.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.	Advisory Group on HIV/AIDS and Maternal, Newborn and Child Health	Room 254 2 nd floor, NCC (in camera – English only)
2.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians	Room 259 2 nd floor, NCC (in camera)
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Committee on Middle East Questions	Room 343 3 rd floor, NCC (in camera)
7.30 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Inaugural Ceremony of the 132 nd Assembly in the presence of H.E. Mr. Truong Tan Sang, President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam	National Assembly of Viet Nam Ba Dinh Hall (Parliament House)
	♦ Buses will be leaving the NCC at 5.50 p.m. and the official hotels <u>as of</u> 5.50 p.m. (see bus schedule).	
	♦ Delegates are requested to wear their badges and take their seats in the hall no later than 7 p.m.	

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¹ Information as at 27 March, at 6 p.m.

Preview of main programme for Sunday, 29 March

9 a.m. – 10.45 a.m.	Governing Council	Banquet Hall 1 st floor, NCC
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. 4.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	Standing Committee on Peace and International Security – Presentation and debate of draft resolution (possible start of drafting) – Drafting of resolution in plenary	Room 241 2 nd floor, NCC/ Room 309 3 rd floor, NCC
9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.	Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs Interactive debate to mark the 70 th anniversary of the United Nations	Room 309 3 rd floor, NCC
9.30 a.m. – 12 noon	Forum of Young Parliamentarians of the IPU	Room 343 3 rd floor, NCC
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Assembly – Start of General Debate on <i>The Sustainable Development Goals: Turning words into action</i> – Address by Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Post-2015 Development Planning	Banquet Hall 1 st floor, NCC
2.30 p.m. – 5 p.m.	– Continuation of General Debate – Address by Mr. Pham Binh Minh, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam	
5 p.m. – 6 p.m.	– Decision on emergency item	
12.30 p.m. – 2 p.m.	Side event on <i>Achieving the vision of Beijing: The views of men, organized by the IPU and UN Women</i>	Room 309 3 rd floor, NCC
2.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade Drafting in plenary of resolution	Room 241 2 nd floor, NCC

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OTHER EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Monday, 30 March 2015

9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights Drafting in plenary of resolution	Room 241 2 nd floor, NCC
2.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade Interactive debate on <i>Follow-up on the IPU water governance resolution: Taking it forward</i>	Room 241 2 nd floor, NCC

Tuesday, 31 March 2015

8 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Field trip on nutrition and young child feeding² A film of the field trip will be shown during the interactive debate on <i>The Convention on the Rights of the Child 25 years on: Are children's lives better?</i> , taking place on Wednesday, 1 April.	
9 a.m. – 11 a.m.	Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights Interactive debate on implementation of the 2012 IPU resolution on <i>Access to health as a basic right: The role of parliaments in addressing key challenges to securing the health of women and children</i>	Room 241 2 nd floor, NCC

² Geopolitical groups are kindly requested to communicate to the Registration and Information Desk the names of up to ten MP participants per Group by 12 noon on Monday, 30 March.

- 9.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. **Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs** Room 309
3rd floor, NCC
- Review of IPU field missions to examine interaction between UN country teams and national parliaments
 - Assessment of parliaments' institutional capacities to mainstream the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into their work
- 12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. **Side event on Consultation on the updated Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health, organized by the IPU, WHO and The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH)** Rooms 305 & 307
3rd floor, NCC

Wednesday, 1 April 2015

- 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. **Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights** Room 241
2nd floor, NCC
- Interactive debate on *Democracy in the digital era and the threat to privacy and individual freedoms*
- 11.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. – Interactive debate on *The Convention on the Rights of the Child 25 years on: Are children's lives better?*
- 2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. **Open consultation on the next Global Parliamentary Report** Room 343
3rd floor, NCC
- 3 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. **Side event on Eliminating risks of nuclear war by accident, cyber-attack or conflict escalation, organized by the IPU and Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament (PNND)** Room 309
3rd floor, NCC

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OTHER INFORMATION

- ♦ **List of delegates:** In order to ensure the accuracy of the final List of Delegates, delegations are kindly requested to report any changes to Ms. Marina Filippin at the Registration and Information Desk by **12 noon on Monday, 30 March**. The final List of Delegates will be distributed in the pigeonholes of delegations and published on the IPU website.

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MEDIA INFORMATION



Take part in or follow the Assembly debates through **Twitter** using #IPU132 (www.twitter.com/ipuparliament). For the Meeting on Women Parliamentarians, please use #WomenMPs. To follow the Forum of Young Parliamentarians of the IPU, please use #YoungMPs.



Photos from the Assembly are available for free download and use at <http://www.ipu.org/132pics>. Please credit: Vietnamese News Agency.

*** For all media enquiries, contact Ms. J. Pandya (Press Service, Room 217A/B, 2nd floor, NCC) ***
*** or Ms. Nguyen Thi Thai Thong (nguyenthithaithong@yahoo.com). ***

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VACANCIES TO BE FILLED AT THE 132nd ASSEMBLY

For more detailed information, please see [Vacancies](#) document.

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COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS

Today, 28 March 2015, the 21st Meeting of Women Parliamentarians will be called upon to fill the following vacancies:

- One substitute regional representative for the African Group (end of term: March 2018);
- One titular regional representative for the Arab Group (end of term: March 2016); and
- One titular regional representative for the Asia-Pacific Group (end of term: March 2018).

The following candidature has been received:

- *Ms. Nze Mouenidiambou (Gabon): candidature submitted by the African Group.*

FORUM OF YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE IPU

At its meeting on Sunday, 29 March 2015, the Forum will elect two Board members (one man and one woman) from each of the IPU geopolitical groups.

Candidatures may be submitted up to 3 p.m. today, Saturday, 28 March.

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On 1 April 2015, the Governing Council will hold elections as outlined below. Candidatures (a signed letter and a one-page curriculum vitae) may be submitted to the Submission and Control of Documents Service (Room 216A, 2nd floor, NCC) up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 31 March 2015.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Governing Council will be required to elect **three members**: one member each for the African Group, the Asia-Pacific Group and the Twelve Plus Group.

To date, the following candidature has been received:

- *Mr. S. Suzuki (Japan): candidature submitted by the Parliament of Japan.*

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COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

The Governing Council will be required to elect **one titular member**.

Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

The Governing Council will be required to elect **four members**: two members (one man and one woman) for the Asia-Pacific Group and one member (male) each for the Eurasia Group and the Twelve Plus Group.

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STANDING COMMITTEE BUREAUX

At the first sitting of each Standing Committee, the following elections to the Bureaux will be held:

Standing Committee on Peace and International Security

Two vacancies: One vacancy each for the African Group to be filled by a woman, and the Asia-Pacific Group to be filled by a man or a woman.

Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade

Seven vacancies: One vacancy each for the African Group to be filled by a man or a woman, and the Asia-Pacific Group to be filled by a man; two vacancies for the Eurasia Group and three vacancies for the Group of Latin American and the Caribbean (GRULAC), at least one of which must be filled by a woman.

Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights

Three vacancies: One vacancy each for the Arab Group to be filled by a woman, the Eurasia Group to be filled by a man, and GRULAC to be filled by a man or a woman.

Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

Six vacancies: One vacancy each for the African Group, the Asia-Pacific Group and the Twelve Plus Group to be filled by a man or a woman; and three vacancies for the Eurasia Group, at least one of which must be filled by a woman.

Candidatures for the above vacancies may be submitted up to the time of the elections.

The Chairpersons of the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade and of the Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs will be elected at the last sitting of those Committees.

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