DECISSIONS TAKEN BY THE WTO COMMISSION
FOR EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC AT ITS THIRTY-FIRST MEETING

Istanbul, Turkey, 18 October 1997

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   . one Officer of the Assembly Committee of the whole

4. Nomination of one member of the sub-committee for the review of applications for affiliate membership

5. Nomination of one member to the special committee on the preparation of the global code of ethics for tourism

6. Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Commission

7. Place and date of the thirty-second meeting of the Commission
DECISIONS

CAP/DEC/1(XXXI)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Agenda item 1 (document CAP/31/Prov.Ag.)

The Commission,

Adopts the provisional agenda of its thirty-first meeting as contained in document CAP/31/Prov.Ag., submitted by the Secretary-General.

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CAP/DEC/2(XXXI)

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES
Agenda item 2 (document CAP/31/1)

The Commission,

Having considered the document presented by the Secretariat on the subject,

1. Appreciates the steps taken by the Secretariat to implement the general programme of work of the Organization in the region;

2. Compliments the Secretariat for the assistance extended to the national tourism administrations in the area of technical cooperation, particularly in capacity building through execution of projects; and

3. Requests the Secretariat that subject to the permission of the recipient country, the reports of WTO's technical assistance missions to a country may be circulated to other countries so that they too can benefit from the conclusions and recommendations of these reports.

The Commission,

Having heard the presentation made by the representative of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP),

1. Thanks him for the presentation;
2. **Congratulates** ESCAP and the WTO Secretariat on their cooperation; and

3. **Hopes** that ESCAP and the WTO Secretariat would continue to organize joint programmes and projects for the benefit of the countries in the region.

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**CAP/DEC/3(XXXI)**

**NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE VARIOUS GENERAL ASSEMBLY OFFICES**

Agenda item 3 (documents A/12/Com.Reg. and A/12/Com.Reg. Add. 1)

The Commission,

**Having considered** the working documents submitted by the Secretary-General on the nominations and elections to statutory organs and their subsidiary bodies,

**Decides** to nominate the following Members as its candidates to the offices of the twelfth session of the General Assembly:

1. **Vice-President of the General Assembly**: Philippines
2. **Member of the Credentials Committee**: Republic of Korea
3. **Officer of the Assembly Committee of the whole**: Indonesia

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**CAP/DEC/4(XXXI)**

**NOMINATION OF ONE MEMBER OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP**


The Commission,

**Having considered** the working documents submitted by the Secretary-General on the nominations and elections to statutory organs and their subsidiary bodies,

**Decides** to nominate **Macau** as its candidate to represent the region on the sub-committee for the review of applications for affiliate membership.
CAP/DEC/5(XXXI)

NOMINATION OF ONE MEMBER TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE
PREPARATION OF THE GLOBAL CODE OF ETHICS FOR TOURISM

Agenda item 5 (documents A/12/Com.Reg. and A/12/Com.Reg. Add. 1)

The Commission,

Having considered the working documents submitted by the Secretary-General on the nominations and elections to statutory organs and their subsidiary bodies,

Decides to nominate Malaysia as its candidate to represent the region on the special committee on the preparation of the global code of ethics for tourism.

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CAP/DEC/6(XXXI)

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND
VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE COMMISSION

Agenda item 6 (documents A/12/Com.Reg. and A/12/Com.Reg. Add.1)

The Commission,

Having considered the working documents submitted by the Secretary-General on the nominations and elections to statutory organs and their subsidiary bodies in accordance with rule 57 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly as they apply mutatis mutandis, to regional commissions,

1. Decides to elect Thailand as Chairman of the Commission, and Japan and Vietnam as Vice-Chairmen for a term of office of two years commencing from the twelfth session of the General Assembly; and

2. Expresses its appreciation to the outgoing Chairman China.
CAP/31/DEC

CAP/DEC/7(XXXI)

OTHER NOMINATIONS

The Commission,

Keeping in view the significance of sustainable tourism development to the region,

Decides to nominate Thailand as an additional Member of the Environment Committee.

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CAP/DEC/8(XXXI)

PLACE AND DATE OF THE
THIRTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE COMMISSION
Agenda item 7

The Commission,

Accepts with gratitude the offer of Japan to host the thirty-second meeting of the Commission in its territory during the first quarter of 1998.

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

The thirty-first meeting of the WTO Commission for East Asia and the Pacific was attended by:

1. Delegates of the following Member States and Associate Member: China, Indonesia, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Thailand and Vietnam.

2. Delegates of the following Affiliate Members: Japan Association of Travel Agents (JATA) and Japan National Tourist Organization (JNTO).

3. A representative of the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP).