WTO COMMISSION FOR SOUTH ASIA

DECISIONS TAKEN AT ITS TWELFTH MEETING

Kandy (Sri Lanka), 29 June to 2 July 1982
Agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Communication by the Chairman
3. Communication by the Secretary-General
4. Communication by the Commission's representatives on the various organs of the Organization
5. Proposed technical meetings for the South Asia region under the Organization's general programme of work for 1982-1983
6. Consideration of the Studies and Guidelines prepared by the Organization under its general programme of work for 1980-1981 and submitted to the Regional Commission in accordance with the decision of the General Assembly at its fourth session
7. Practical application of the conclusions and recommendations of certain selected studies, reports and handbooks prepared by the Organization under its general programme of work for 1980-1981
8. Information report on the implementation of the Manila Declaration on World Tourism
10. Information report on the preliminary measures taken for celebration of World Tourism Day
11. Information report on WTO's activities in the field of facilitation
12. Commission accounts
14. Review of Tourism development in the region
15. Any other business
16. Place and date of the thirteenth meeting

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AGENDA OF THE MEETING

Agenda item 1 (document CSA/12/Provisional Agenda)

The Commission,

Approves the provisional agenda of its twelfth meeting.

CSA/DLC/2 (XII)

COMMUNICATION BY THE CHAIRMAN

Agenda item 2

The Commission,

Having heard the Communication by the Chairman,

Takes note of the Communication, for which it thanks him, and

Decides to send a cable expressing its thanks to Bangladesh as outgoing Chairman.

CSA/DLC/3 (XII)

COMMUNICATION BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Agenda item 3 (document CSA/12/3)

The Commission,

Having heard the Communication by the Secretary-General, as well as the complementary information provided by the Deputy Secretary-General,

Takes note of the Communication of the Secretary-General, for which it thanks him.

CSA/DLC/4 (XII)

COMMUNICATION BY THE COMMISSION'S REPRESENTATIVES

ON THE VARIOUS ORGANS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Agenda item 4

The Commission,

Having heard the reports of Nepal on the seventeenth and eighteenth sessions of the Executive Council and of India on the eighteenth session of the Executive Council,

Takes note of the reports, for which it thanks them.
CSA/DLC/5 (XII)

PROPOSED TECHNICAL MEETINGS FOR THE SOUTH ASIA REGION UNDER THE ORGANIZATION'S GENERAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 1982-1983
Agenda item 5 (document CSA/12/5)

The Commission,

Having taken cognizance of the Organization's general programme of work for the period 1982-1983 which provides for two technical meetings during the biennial period,

Decides to hold a Workshop on Financing of Tourism Projects in November/December 1982;

Accepts, with thanks and appreciation, the offer of Pakistan to host the aforementioned workshop;

Decides further to hold a Workshop on Cultural Impact of Tourism in the countries of South Asia in April/May 1983, which shall precede its thirteenth meeting;

Accepts, with thanks and appreciation, the offer of Iran to host the aforementioned workshop; and

Decides further to hold a Workshop on Convention Marketing and Incentive Travel in India or Sri Lanka in November/December 1983, with the understanding that, if the Organization's general programme budget for the period 1982-1983 is unable to support the foregoing three workshops, the Workshop on Cultural Impact of Tourism in the countries of South Asia will be financed from the funds at the disposal of the Members of the Commission.

CSA/DLC/6 (XII)

CONSIDERATION OF THE STUDIES AND GUIDELINES PREPARED BY THE ORGANIZATION UNDER ITS GENERAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 1980-1981 AND SUBMITTED TO THE REGIONAL COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS FOURTH SESSION
Agenda item 6 (document CSA/12/6)

The Commission,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 99 (IV) in which it was specifically entrusted with following up certain activities undertaken as part of the Organization's general programme of work for 1980-1981,
Requests the Members to communicate their comments on the study "Preliminary survey on the status of tourist representations abroad" (B.8.2.2.), to the Secretary-General by September 1982, for transmittal to the Executive Council;

Decides to entrust Pakistan with the collection of comments from the Members on the pilot study "Tourism forecasting" (B.1.3.), on the "Guidelines for the collection and presentation of domestic tourism statistics" (B.2.2.1.), on the "Guidelines for the collection and presentation of international tourism statistics" (B.2.2.2.), and the submission of a report pertinent thereto at its thirteenth meeting;

Decides further to nominate India as the representative of the South Asia region on the study group to be established by the Secretary-General to make a technical evaluation of the report "Harmonizing the contents and presentation of information material" (B.3.2.3.).

CSA/DEC/7 (XII)


Agenda item 7 (document CSA/12/7)

The Commission,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 99(IV) which reaffirms the need to ensure more effective utilization of the general programme of work,

Decides to entrust Sri Lanka with the collection of comments from the Members on the practical application of the findings and conclusions of certain selected studies, reports and handbooks to the particular situation of the region, and the submission of a report pertinent thereto at its thirteenth meeting.

CSA/DEC/8 (XII)

INFORMATION REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MANILA DECLARATION ON WORLD TOURISM

Agenda item 8 (document CSA/12/8)

The Commission,

Having heard the report of the Secretary-General on the measures taken for the implementation of the Manila Declaration on World Tourism,

Takes note of the information report.
CSA/DEC/9 (XII)

INFORMATION REPORT ON THE PREPARATORY WORK FOR
THE WORLD TOURISM MEETING (ACAPULCO, MEXICO, 21-27 AUG. 82)
Agenda item 9 (document CSA/12/9)

The Commission,

having heard the report of the Secretary-General on the preparatory work for the World Tourism Meeting to be held in Acapulco, Mexico, from 21-27 August 1982,

Takes note of the information report.

CSA/DEC/10 (XII)

INFORMATION REPORT ON THE PRELIMINARY MEASURES
TAKEN FOR CELEBRATION OF WORLD TOURISM DAY
Agenda item 10 (document CSA/12/10)

The Commission,

having heard the report of the Secretary-General as well as the reports of the Members on measures being undertaken to celebrate World Tourism Day,

Notes with satisfaction the reports, and

Encourages the Members to continue their efforts in this regard.

CSA/DEC/11 (XII)

INFORMATION REPORT ON WTO'S ACTIVITIES IN THE
FIELD OF FACILITATION
Agenda item 11 (document CSA/12/11)

The Commission,

having heard the report of the Secretary-General on the Organization's activities in the field of facilitation,

Requests that customs formalities be taken up as an urgent priority by the Facilitation Committee and that intervention by the Organization be made when countries introduce restrictions.
The Commission,

Having taken cognizance of the report on the funds at the disposal of the Members of the Commission as of 31 December 1981,

Decides to continue the contributions from the Members of the Commission, in accordance with the statutory and financial rules of the Organization to finance certain special activities of the Members of the Commission, and

Decides further that Maldives shall contribute on the same basis adopted for other Members of the Commission.

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The Commission,

Having taken cognizance of the progress of Members in the implementation of the Commission's programme of activities for 1980-1981,

Decides that the Members of the Commission continue the implementation of the Joint Promotional Programme as follows:

1. Folder and poster on South Asia -
   ✔ Requests the Members who have not supplied the required photographic/editorial material to submit same by 15 August 1982;
   ✔ Requests Pakistan to submit a new quotation for printing which is valid up to 31 December 1982;
   Affirms that the reasonable increase in cost be met from the funds at the disposal of the Members, and
   ✔ Requests the Members who have not sent their share of the cost of production to do so by 31 August 1982 or indicate when same can be sent.

2. Consumer publications -
   ✔ Requests the Members who have not sent their contribution of US$ 1,400 each for 1981-1982 to do so before 31 August 1982;
Affirms the annual contribution of US$ 1,400 per member of the Commission to be sent hereafter by 31st March of each year.

3. Special-interest tours

Establishes a Study Group on Mountaineering and Trekking with Capt. Kohli of Air India as coordinator;

Requests Members to send their experiences to the Study Group which will meet after the Conventions in Nepal and Pakistan;

Requests the Study Group to submit its recommendations to the members of the Commission on the occasion of its thirteenth meeting;

Requests the Secretary-General to take the appropriate measures for the implementation of this decision as a special service to a particular group of members of the Organization.

CSA/DEC/14 (XII)

REVIEW OF TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION

Agenda item 14 (document V/17/W/32)

The Commission,

Having examined the Monograph on Tourism in South Asia which provides a synoptic view of tourism development in the region during the last ten years, together with estimates for 1981,

Expresses its satisfaction for the valuable information contained therein;

Requests the Secretary-General to provide each Member with at least five copies;

Requests further the Secretary-General to prepare the publication annually; and

Decides to entrust its Members with submitting their comments and other information to the Secretary-General.
CSA/DEC/15 (XII)

PLACE AND DATE OF THE THIRTEENTH MEETING

Agenda item 16

The Commission,

Decides to hold its thirteenth meeting in April/May 1983, which shall be preceded by a technical meeting;

Accepts, with thanks and appreciation, the offer of Iran to host the aforementioned meetings.