

#### ORGANISATION MONDIALE DU TOURISME WORLD TOURISM ORGANIZATION ORGANIZACION MUNDIAL DEL TURISMO BCEMUPHAR TYPUCTCKAR OPFAHUSALUR

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#### WTO COMMISSION FOR SOUTH ASIA

DECISIONS TAKEN AT ITS SEVENTEENTH MEETING
Sofia (Bulgaria), 17 September 1985

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#### Agenda

- 1. Adoption of the Agenda
- 2. Communication of the Chairman
- 3. Communication of the Secretary-General
- 4. Representation of the Commission on the Executive Council and its subsidiary organs
- 5. Nomination of the Commission's candidates to the offices of the sixth session of the General Assembly
- 5. Report on the Fund in Trust administered on behalf of the Members of the Commission
- 7. Report on the joint promotional activities of the Members of the Commission
- 8. Consideration of the draft Statutes of South Asia Regional Association of Tourism and Hotel Institutes (SARATHI)

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- 9. Election of officers of the Commission
- 10. Place and date of eighteenth meeting

CSA/DEC/1 (XVII)

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA Agenda item 1 (document CSA/17/Prov.Ag.)

The Commission,

Adopts the agenda of its seventeenth meeting, as contained in document CSA/17/Prov.Ag. submitted by the Secretary-General.

CSA/DEC/2 (XVII)

#### COMMUNICATION OF THE CHAIRMAN Agenda item 2

The Commission,

Having heard the Communication of the Chairman,

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

CSA/DEC/3 (XVII)

## COMMUNICATION OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL Agenda item 3 (document CSA/17/3)

The Commission,

Having heard the Communication of the Secretary-General as presented by the Chief, Asia and the Pacific Operational Section of the Secretariat;

Takes note of the activities of the Secretariat and the Organization for the period May to September 1985;

Appreciates the initiatives taken by the Secretary-General for negotiations with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), in order to avoid unnecessary duplication of activities and consequent waste of scarce human and financial resources;

Requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts towards concluding a working arrangement for coordination and cooperation with ESCAP, as he has done with the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.

CSA/DEC/4 (XVII)

# REPRESENTATION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND ITS SUBSIDIARY ORGANS Agenda item 4 (document CSA/17/4)

The Commission,

Having heard the reports of representatives from India and Sri Lanka on the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth sessions of the Executive Council;

Takes note of the reports, for which it thanks them;

Endorses the candidature of Pakistan to one of the seats in the Executive Council;

Decides to nominate Bangladesh to the proposed Administrative Committee on Affiliate Members and Sri Lanka to the proposed Committee on Statistics, subject to the approval of the establishment of the aforementioned Committees by the General Assembly at its sixth session.

CSA/DEC/5 (XVII)

NOMINATION OF THE COMMISSION'S CANDIDATES TO THE OFFICES OF THE SIXTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY Agenda item 5 (document CSA/17/5)

The Commission.

Maving considered the working document on nomination of the Commission's candidates to the offices of the sixth session of the General Assembly;

Decides to nominate Nepal to the Vice-Presidency, Iran to the Committee for Administrative and Statutory Matters, India to the Technical Committee and to suggest to the President of the Assembly, Sri Lanka as a Member of the Credentials' Committee.

CSA/DEC/6 (YVII)

REPORT ON THE FUND IN TRUST ADMINISTERED
ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION
Agenda item 6 (document CSA/17/6)

The Commission,

Having examined the report on the current position of the Fundin Trust administered by the Secretariat, together with the 'a-

balance sheet at 30 June 1985 and administrative accounts for the period 1 January to 30 June 1985 annexed thereto;

Takes note of the information contained therein;

Requests Member States that have not already done so, to send their annual contributions for 1985 to the Fund in Trust.

CSA/DEC/7 (XVII)

## REPORT ON THE JOINT PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION Agenda item 7 (document CSA/17/7)

The Commission.

Having examined the report on the implementation of the joint promotional activities of the Members;

Notes with satisfaction the information contained therein;

Decides to continue implementation of these activities as follows:

#### 1. Publicity Material

- Members concerned who have not already done so, to inform the Secretariat of the storage charges incurred on the joint poster and English version of the folder;
- ii) Members concerned who have not already done so, to send dispatch instructions for French and German versions of the folder to the printers immediately;
- iii) Members concerned to inform the printers direct and to advise the Secretariat of their dispatch arrangements for Japanese version of the folder;
- iv) Members concerned who have not already done so, to arrange for the collection of their shares of the Calendar of Youth Events from the Regional Unit in Colombo.

#### 2. Consumer Publications

Members concerned who have not sent their contributions for 1981/1982 and 1983/1984, to do so without any further delay.

#### 3. Special Interest Tours

Host authorities to be requested to invite officially neighbouring countries to participate in the Himalayan Mountaineering and Tourism Meeting to be held at Manali (India) in September 1986.

- 4. Coordination of Promotional Activities
  - Members concerned to use the joint poster and folder at tourism fairs and exhibitions in which they participate;
  - ii) Members concerned to ensure that the joint poster and folder are used at the proposed Pacific Area Travel Association (PATA) promotions on South Asia in Germany and the United Kingdom;
  - iii) India and Sri Lanka to submit proposals for joint promotions in Tokyo and Sydney, including estimates of the cost and numbers likely to be involved.

CSA/DEC/8 (XVII)

# CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT STATUTES OF SOUTH ASIA REGIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TOURISM Agenda item 8 (document CSA/17/8)

The Commission,

Having examined the report on the revised draft Statutes circulated by the Secretary-General to all the countries in the region;

Notes the comments and proposed amendments submitted by Sri Lanka;

Requests the countries that have not already done so, to send their comments or any proposed amendments to reach the Secretariat before the end of December 1985, so as to enable consideration of the draft Statutes and their adoption at the eighteenth meeting of the Commission.

CSA/DEC/9 (XVII)

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE COMMISSION Agenda item 9 (document CSA/17/9)

The Commission,

Eaving considered the working document on election of officers of the Commission,

Decides to re-elect Maldives as Chairman, Bangladesh and Hepal as Vice-Chairmen, whose terms of office will be two years commencing from the sixth session of the General Assembly.

GSA/DEC/10 (XVII)

## PLACE AND DATE OF EIGHTEENTH MEETING Agenda item 10

The Commission,

Decides to hold its eighteenth meeting in March/April 1986, to be preceded by a Workshop;

Accepts with thanks and appreciation the offer of Bangladesh, subject to confirmation by the Government, to host the aforementioned meeting and Workshop;

Notes with appreciation the offers of India and Maldives to host future meetings.

#### WTO COMMISSION FOR SOUTH ASIA

SEVENTEENTH MEETING

Sofia (Bulgaria), 17 September 1985

#### LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

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Director-General
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- Mr. Ramesh CHANDRA Additional Director-General Department of Tourism

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- -.Mr. Mohammad SHIR-MOHAMADI
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