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DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE WTO COMMISSION FOR SOUTH ASIA AT ITS THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING

Istanbul, Turkey, 18 October 1997

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 - . **one** Vice President of the General Assembly
 - . **one** Member of the Credentials Committee
 - . **one** Officer of the Assembly Committee of the whole
- 4. Nomination of **one** candidate to represent the region on the Executive Council
- 5. Nomination of **one** member of the sub-committee for the review of applications for affiliate membership
- 6. Nomination of **one** member to the special committee on the preparation of the global code of ethics for tourism
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DECISIONS

CSA/DEC/1(XXXV)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda item 1 (document CSA/35/Prov.Ag.)

The Commission,

Adopts the provisional agenda of its thirty-first meeting as contained in document CSA/35/Prov.Ag., submitted by the Secretary-General.

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REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

Agenda item 2 (document CSA/35/1)

The Commission,

<u>Having considered</u> the document presented by the Secretariat on the subject,

- 1. <u>Appreciates</u> the steps taken by the Secretariat to implement the the general programme of work of the Organization in the region;
- 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;
- 3. Requests the Secretariat to provide adequate funds to launch more sectoral support missions to the region to assist the Members on problems of immediate nature; and
- 4. <u>Suggests</u> that more technical meetings and seminars be organized in the region on subjects of contemporary interest to the Members.

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The Commission,

<u>Having heard</u> 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. <u>Congratulates</u> ESCAP and the WTO Secretariat on their cooperation; and
- 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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CSA/DEC/3(XXXV)

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,

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

<u>Decides</u> to nominate the following Members as its candidates to the offices of the twelfth session of the General Assembly:

- 1. <u>Vice-President of the General Assembly</u>: **Maldives**
- 2. Member of the Credentials Committee: **Iran**
- 3. Officer of the Assembly Committee of the whole: **Nepal**

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CSA/DEC/4(XXXV)

NOMINATION OF ONE CANDIDATE TO REPRESENT THE REGION ON THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Agenda item 4 (documents A/12/Com.Reg. and A/12/Com.Reg. Add. 1)

The Commission,

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

- <u>Decides</u> to propose **Sri Lanka** to the General Assembly as its candidate to the vacant post on the Executive Council corresponding to one full set of five members within the region of South Asia for the period 1997-2001; and
- Decides to support India as a candidate for one of the floating seats on the Executive council to be filled by election at the plenary session of the General Assembly.

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CSA/DEC/5(XXXV)

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

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

The Commission,

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

<u>Decides</u> to nominate **Bangladesh** as its candidate to represent the region on the sub-committee for the review of applications for affiliate membership.

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CSA/DEC/6(XXXV)

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

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

The Commission,

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

<u>Decides</u> to nominate **Iran** 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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CSA/DEC/7(XXXV)

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE COMMISSION

Agenda item 7 (documents A/12/Com.Reg. and A/12/Com.Reg. Add.1)

The Commission,

<u>Having considered</u> 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 <u>mutatis mutandis</u> to regional commissions,

 <u>Decides</u> to elect **Pakistan** as Chairman of the Commission, and **Bangladesh** and **Nepal** 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 Maldives.

CAS/DEC/8(XXXV)

PLACE AND DATE OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING OF THE COMMISSION

Agenda item 8

The Commission,

Accepts with gratitude the offer of India to host the thirty-sixth meeting of the Commission in its territory during the first half of 1998.

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

The thirty-fifth meeting of the WTO Commission for South Asia was attended by:

- 1. Delegates of the following Member States: Bangladesh, India, Iran, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.
- 2. Delegates of the following Affiliate Members: Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (PIA) and Tourism and Recreational Centres Organization (TRCO), Iran.
- 3. A representative of the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP).