DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

AT ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION

(Sofia, 17, 18 and 21 September 1985)

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**CE/DEC/1(XXVI)**

*Adoption of the agenda*

*Agenda item 1 (document CE/26/odj.prôv.)*

The Executive Council,

Adopts the agenda of the twenty-sixth session of the Council, as submitted to it by the Secretary-General.

**CE/DEC/2(XXVI)**

*Progress report of the Secretary-General*

*(May to September 1985)*

*Agenda item 2 (document CE/26/2)*

The Executive Council,

Takes note with appreciation of the progress report of the Secretary-General covering the period May to September 1985.

**CE/DEC/3(XXVI)**

*Membership of the Organization*

*Agenda item 3 (documents A/6/7 and A/6/7 Add.1)*

The Executive Council,

Receives and takes note of A/6/7 and A/6/7 Add.1 concerning the membership of the Organization, which were intended for the General Assembly and received for information purposes only.
Financial matters

Requests by certain Members for the restoration of their privileges and their right to vote in the Assembly and the Council (paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules)

Agenda item 4 (documents A/6/10(f), A/6/10(f) Add.1, A/6/10(f) Add.2, A/6/10(f) Add.3, A/6/10(f) Add.4, A/6/10(f) Add.5 and A/6/10(f) Add.6)

The Executive Council,

Having received, from various States which have accumulated arrears of two years or more in their contributions to the Organization, requests for the suspension of the application of the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules attached to the Statutes and for exemption from the payment of contribution arrears,

Having given due consideration to the said requests and the reasons for them,

1. Wishes to show the greatest comprehension in every situation with regard to States experiencing financial difficulties, within the bounds of the Statutes and Financial Regulations which govern the Organization;

2. Decides to recommend the General Assembly to accede to the request for suspension of the application of the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules in the case of Burkina Faso, Democratic Kampuchea, Ecuador, Peru, Sierra Leone and Zaire;

3. Decides to recommend the General Assembly, in the case of Mali, which requested exemption from payment of contribution arrears for 1984-1985, simply to suspend application of the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules for the period in question, since there is no provision in the Regulations for the cancellation of or exemption from payment of contribution arrears;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to determine with the said States to which suspension of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules has been applied the terms of payment of their contribution arrears within the framework of a debt recovery plan;

5. Specifies that the reinstatement of the full rights of the aforementioned Members relates to the period between one General Assembly and the next, in this case the Sixth and Seventh General Assemblies;
6. Expresses its appreciation to Honduras and Zaire for discharging part of their contribution arrears and putting forward a plan for discharging their outstanding debt, in accordance with the provisions of resolution A/RES/133(V);

7. Reminds Members that Costa Rica, Gambia, Honduras and Democratic Yemen are subject to the provisions of resolution 133(V) suspending application to them of the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules until such a time as those States have regained their financial capacity;

8. Further specifies that the measure of suspension granted to the afore-mentioned States entails the resumption of their part of the prompt payment of their contribution as of the financial year 1986; and

9. Notes that the thirteen States listed below are still subject to the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules with regard to their voting rights and their enjoyment of the services of the Organization, viz. Afghanistan, Bolivia, Burundi, Grenada, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Sudan, United Arab Emirates and Venezuela.

CE/DEC/5(XXVI)

Procedure for the submission of applications for affiliate membership (CE/DEC/8(XXV))

Agenda item 5 (document A/6/11(e))

The Executive Council,

Having before it document A/6/11(e), prepared by the Secretary-General at the request of the Executive Council at its twenty-fifth session,

Being aware of the important contribution which Affiliate Members make and can continue to make to the overall work of the Organization,

Recognizing the importance of establishing procedures designed to ensure that applicants seeking affiliate membership in the Organization are aware of the obligations they desire to undertake,
1. Decides to recommend to the General Assembly that it establish, under article 19(g) of the Statutes of the Organization, a sub-Committee within the structure of the Executive Council to examine all applications for affiliate membership in the Organization and recommend to the Assembly on the advisability of acceptance of each candidacy; and

2. Decides further that this sub-Committee should be composed of six Members of the Council selected on a biennial basis by the Council itself with due regard to geographic distribution, that the sub-Committee should elect its own Chairman and that the Chairman of the Committee of Affiliate Members, or his representative, should participate in the work of the sub-Committee without the right to vote.

CE/DEC/6 (XXVI)

Creation of a sub-committee on statistics as a subsidiary organ of the Executive Council

Agenda item 6 (document CE/26/6)

The Executive Council,

Expressing strong support for the statistical activities of the Organization and wishing to assist in the harmonization, standardization and implementation of decisions concerning travel statistics,

Conscious of the frequent need to take political aspects into consideration when reaching decisions concerning areas such as statistical definitions, socio-professional classifications and economic structures,

1. Decides to establish a sub-Committee on Statistics to be composed of six Members of the Council, selected by the Council with due consideration to geographical representation, to meet at least once a year during Executive Council sessions to review and make recommendations concerning proposals in the area of travel statistics directed to it by the Council itself, or the Secretariat; and

2. Decides further that this sub-Committee of the Council shall meet during sessions of the Council, elect its own Chairman and serve for terms of two years.
CE/DEC/7(XXVI)

Proposal by WTO to amend Annex F.3 (Customs facilities applicable to travelers) to the Kyoto Convention of the Customs Co-operation Council (CCC)

Agenda item 7 (document CE/26/7)

The Executive Council,

1. Notes that the Customs Co-operation Council (CCC) decided not to submit amendments to Annex F.3 of the Kyoto Convention, as recommended by WTO, but rather to first conduct a survey among the States members of the CCC, concerning the value of duty-free goods allowances, and

2. Decides to take no further action on the proposal submitted to the CCC at the request of the twenty-fourth Executive Council at this time but to await conclusion of the survey initiated by the CCC.

CE/DEC/8(XXVI)

World Tourism Day in 1986 and 1987: Choice of themes to propose to the General Assembly

Agenda item 8 (document CE/26/8)

The Executive Council,

Being aware of the growing significance of World Tourism Day and the value which it has for Member Governments,

Decides to recommend to the General Assembly the following two themes for the celebration and further enhancement of World Tourism Day (27 September annually) in 1986 and 1987,

1986: Tourism: a vital force for world peace

1987: Tourism for development
Candidacies for the posts of Auditors for the financial years 1986 and 1987

Agenda item 9

The Executive Council,

Considering the provisions of Article 12(g) of the Statutes of the Organization,

Having recognized the competent work of the Auditors selected for the present biennium and considering the nominations presented by their respective governments,

Recommends to the General Assembly that it renew the appointments of Mr. Juan Pedro Cortes Camacho of Spain and Mr. Nestor Moise of Romania for the post of Auditors of the Organization during the years 1986 and 1987.

CE/DEC/10(XXVI)

Place and date of the twenty-seventh session of the Executive Council

Agenda item 10

The Executive Council,

Decides to hold its twenty-seventh session at the Lvudmila Zhivkova Palace of Culture, Sofia, immediately following the conclusion of work of the sixth session of the General Assembly.
4. **Participants in the twenty-sixth session**

The twenty-sixth session of the Executive Council was attended by:

1. The delegates of the following Members of the Council: Algeria, Argentina, Bulgaria, Ethiopia, France, Gabon, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Lebanon, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America, Zimbabwe and Spain as a privileged Member.

2. The Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance (France).

3. The Chairman of the Committee of Affiliate Members.

4. The representatives of Mozambique as observers.

5. The Auditors of the Organization (Romania and Spain).


7. The representative of the International Road Federation (IRF), a non-governmental organization, which was invited to attend the General Assembly as observer in accordance with Executive Council decision 18(b)(XXV).