DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
AT ITS ELEVENTH SESSION
(Torremolinos, 17-22 September 1979)

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3. Decisions taken by the Council

CE/DEC/1(XI)

Progress report of the Secretary-General

Agenda item 2 (document CE/11/2)

The Executive Council,

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

CE/DEC/2(XI)

Auditing of the Accounts of the Regional Secretariats and CIEST

Agenda item 2 (document CE/11/2 Add.1)

The Executive Council,

Considering that the auditing of the accounts of the Regional Secretariats and CIEST for the financial year 1978 requested in operative paragraph (k) of Council decision 5(X) can be performed only in the presence of the officials concerned, viz. the Regional Secretaries or the delegate of the Secretary-General to CIEST,

Recalling that there is no appropriation allowing the Organization's Auditors or regional controllers to visit the Regional Secretariats or CIEST,

Recommends that the Regional Secretaries and the delegate of the Secretary-General to CIEST submit to the Auditors, two days prior to the opening of the fourth session of the General Assembly, their accounts for the years 1978, 1979 and 1980, with all the necessary supporting documents and vouchers.
CE/DEC/3(XI)

Invocation of NGOs to the
Third General Assembly

Agenda item 2 (document CE/11/2)

The Executive Council,

Having considered the applications addressed to the Secretary-General since the tenth session of the Council by the non-governmental organizations referred to in paragraph 47 of document CE/11/2 which wish to attend the Third General Assembly,

Requests the Secretary-General to invite both the organizations concerned.

CE/DEC/4(XI)

Study on the vocational training needs
of the developing countries

Agenda item 5 (document CE/11/5)

The Executive Council,

Takes note of the study on the vocational training needs of the developing countries carried out in accordance with General Assembly resolution 40(II).

CE/DEC/5(XI)

World Hotel Training Centre

Agenda item 2

The Executive Council,

Having taken note of the statement by the Venezuelan delegation that the Government of Venezuela is prepared to resume talks on hosting the World Hotel Training Centre in its country,
Expresses its gratitude to the Venezuelan Government for its proposal; and

Entrusts the Secretary-General with:

(1) opening with said Government talks on the establishment of the Centre; and

(2) informing the Council of the outcome of those talks.

CE/DEC/6 (XI)

New appropriations requested by the Secretary-General in the 1980-1981 budget

Agenda items 2 and 7 (documents CE/11/2 and CE/11/7)

The Executive Council,

Having examined the Secretary-General's request for additional appropriations in the 1980-1981 budget, including those indicated in document A/3/15 Add.1,

Authorizes the Secretary-General to make the new budgetary allocations requested without altering the total amount of the budget for the financial period 1980-1981, making the necessary adjustments which he shall communicate to the Executive Council;

Requests the Secretary-General to ensure, in making those adjustments, that any changes in allocations made within the 1980-1981 budget are not detrimental to the interests of the developing countries.

CE/DEC/7 (XI)

Draft Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Organization

Agenda item 4 (document A/3/10(c))

The Executive Council,

Having examined the draft Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the World Tourism Organization in the territories of its member States,
Considering that the scope of that instrument requires more thorough consideration by governments,

Considering that, in the present circumstances, the time allowed to the Council has been insufficient to permit proper consultation with governments,

Decides to postpone its consideration of the draft Convention until its session in the spring of 1980; and accordingly,

Invites the General Assembly to defer examination of the said draft Convention; and

Requests the Secretary-General after consultation with the Council, to take all the steps necessary for consulting governments in the most appropriate manner.

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CE/DEC/8(XI)

Recommendation to the General Assembly concerning the election of the Organization's Auditors for the period 1980-1981

Agenda item 3 (document CE/11/3)

The Executive Council,

Having regard to Article 26 of the Statutes and regulation 15 of the Financial Regulations,

Recommends the General Assembly to elect to the posts of Auditors for the period 1980-1981 the following Full Members:

Kenya
Spain

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Amendments to the Staff Regulations and the Temporary Staff Rules
Agenda item 2 (document CE/11/G)

The Executive Council,

Anxious to prevent certain ambiguities in the interpretation and application of certain of the Staff Regulations and the Temporary Staff Rules,

 Recommends to the General Assembly that it approve the amendments to said text as proposed by the Secretary-General in document CE/11/G, with the exception of those concerning regulations 38, 52 and 56 of the Staff Regulations, for which the Council recommends the following new wording:

Regulation 38

"(b) The salary scales of staff members of the General Services category shall be determined by the Secretary-General on the basis of the best prevailing conditions at the duty station."

Regulation 52

"In the event of the death of a permanent official, or a fixed-term official who at the date of death has completed not less than five years of continuous service, a single grant computed in accordance with the following schedule shall be paid to any of the following persons who have survived the official whom the Secretary-General may designate, a spouse; a child in respect of whom a family allowance is payable; or a secondary dependant in respect of whom a family allowance is payable."

Regulation 56

"A separation grant shall be payable to an non-locally recruited official who on leaving the Organization otherwise than by discharge or by summary dismissal under regulation 63 (Summary Dismissal) has completed one year of service outside the country of his home. The grant shall be computed in accordance with the schedule below. For the purpose of this regulation, 'dependant' shall mean either
(1) a spouse [wife], (2) a husband in respect of whom a family allowance is payable, or (3) or (2) a child in respect of whom a family allowance is payable.

CE/DEC/10 (XI)

Themes for World Tourism Day for 1980 and 1981

Agenda item 9 (document CE/11/9)

The Executive Council,

Recalling its decision 26(IX) concerning the institution and celebration of World Tourism Day,

Considering its recommendations to the General Assembly on this matter, contained in document A/3/14,

Decides to submit to the General Assembly, for the latter to choose one theme each for World Tourism Day in 1980 and 1981, the following possible themes:

For 1980: Tourism's contribution to overall development;
            Tourism and energy conservation;
            Tourism's contribution to the preservation and development of the cultural heritage, peace and mutual understanding.

For 1981: Tourism as a factor for local development;
            Tourism and the quality of life;
            Domestic tourism, a public service and a precondition for international tourism.
CE/DEC/11(XI)

Appointment of a Full Member from the Americas to replace the United States on the Technical Committee for Programme and Coordination

Agenda item 10 (document CE/11/10)

The Executive Council,

Considering its decision 3(II),

Having been informed of the decision of the United States to withdraw from the Technical Committee for Programme and Coordination with effect from 1 September 1979,

Takes note of said withdrawal; and

Appoints Argentina to replace the United States, on the recommendation of the representatives of the WTO Commission for the Americas.

CE/DEC/12(XI)

Terms of reference of the Facilitation Committee and the Environment Committee

Agenda item 11 (document CE/11/11)

The Executive Council,

Considering its decision 12(X);

Having examined the suggestions by the Secretary-General concerning the terms of reference of the Facilitation Committee and the Environment Committee,

Decides:

(1) That the terms of reference of the Facilitation Committee shall be to:
- conduct a standing comparative review of the recommendations of the United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism, concerning facilitation, as well as existing conventions dealing with the facilitation of travel and transport, in order to propose measures to relax and liberalize forms of travel;

- report on existing governmental requirements or practices which may impede the development of international travel; and

- develop and submit to the Executive Council a set of recommended standards and practices for adoption by States and incorporation in draft conventions which would be presented to member States for adoption,

(2) that, pending the agreement on cooperation and relations currently being negotiated between the Organization and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the Environment Committee shall study the specific aspects of the relationship between tourism and the environment that are assigned to it for examination by the Executive Council or by the Secretariat, or act on its own initiative or at the request of other WTO organs, and make appropriate reports and recommendations to the Council.

CE/DEC/13(XI)

Funds erroneously paid by the Nigerian Government to the Regional Secretariat for Africa

Agenda item 12 (document CE/11/12(a))

The Executive Council,

Having considered the request of Nigeria for the sum of 62,000 United States dollars erroneously paid to the Regional Secretariat for Africa to be refunded by deduction from its contributions to the Organization for the coming financial years,
Having heard the clarifications of the Nigerian delegation and the Secretary-General on this matter,

Takes note with satisfaction that the Secretary-General, after completing his inquiry, will reply within thirty days to the memorandum from the Ministry of Trade of the Federal Republic of Nigeria concerning the erroneous payment; and

Requests the Secretary-General to take all administrative, disciplinary and financial measures that this situation calls for within the framework of the Organization's rules and regulations, and to report thereon to the Council.

CE/DEC/14 (XI)

Place and date of the twelfth session

Agenda item 13

The Executive Council,

Decides to hold its twelfth session at the Palacio de Congresos, Torremolinos, following the closure of the Third session of the General Assembly.
6. Participants in the eleventh session

1. Delegates of the following Members of the Council attended the session: Bangladesh, Ecuador, Egypt, Indonesia, Iraq, Kenya, Mali, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Panama, Peru, Poland, Spain, Thailand, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Republic of Cameroon, United States of America, Venezuela and Zambia.

2. The Chairman of the Technical Committee for Programme and Coordination (Mexico) was represented.

3. The Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance (France) was present.

4. The Chairman of the Committee of Affiliate Members.

5. The Auditors of the Organization (Egypt and the Netherlands) were present.

6. Representatives of Argentina and India attended the session as observers.