GENERAL ASSEMBLY

EIGHTEENTH PLENARY SESSION

Wednesday, 5 - Thursday, 6 December 2001

SOFIA

AGENDA

1. Opening Ceremony
   Statements by Personalities

2. Matters of Procedure
   a) Adoption of the Agenda (Doc.GA18/AG/01)
   b) Adoption of the Order of Business (Doc.GA18/OB/01)
   c) Examination of New Credentials (Doc.GA18/CRED/01)
   d) Approval of the Minutes of the Seventeenth Plenary Session
      of the General Assembly held in Baku on 19-21 June 2001
      (Doc.GA17/MIN/00)
   e) Progress Report of the Parliamentary Assembly (Doc.GA18/PROG/01)

3. General debate: Globalisation and the Black Sea Region’s Challenges
   Statements by Speakers/Heads of national delegations.

4. Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation
   a) The Fifth Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the
      BSEC Member-States, 26 October 2001, Antalya
      (Doc.GA18/REP/BSEC/MFA/01)
      - Protocol concerning Privileges and Immunities of the Parliamentary
        Assembly of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation
   b) Meeting of the Ministers of Industry on SMEs of the BSEC Member-States,
      27 September 2001, Istanbul (Doc. GA18/BP/BSEC/IND/01)

5. Economic, Commercial, Technological and Environmental Affairs
   a) Report on “Promoting Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development”
      (Doc.GA18/EC17/REP/01)
   b) Recommendation 54/2001 on “Promoting Sustainable Agriculture and Rural
      Development” (Doc.GA18/EC17/REC54/01)
6. Legal and Political Affairs
   a) Report on “Cooperation among the PABSEC Member-Countries in promoting Political Stability through Economic Integration”
      (Doc.GA18/LC18/REP/01)
   b) Recommendation 55/2001 on “Cooperation among the PABSEC Member-Countries in promoting Political Stability through Economic Integration”
      (Doc.GA18/LC18/REC55/01)
   c) Statement by the PABSEC Legal and Political Affairs Committee concerning terrorist attacks on the United States on 11 September 2001
      (Doc.GA18/LC18/STAT/01)
   d) Declaration of the Assembly on Combating International Terrorism

7. Cultural, Educational and Social Affairs
   a) Report on “Black Sea Universities Network: Contribution to the BSEC Academic Cooperation”
      (Doc.GA18/CC17/REP/01)
   b) Recommendation 56/2001 on “Black Sea Universities Network: Contribution to the BSEC Academic Cooperation”
      (Doc.GA18/CC17/REC56/01)
   c) The Children and Youth Festival of the BSEC Member-States
      - Recommendation 58/2001 on the organisation of the Children and Youth Festival of the BSEC Member-States
      (Doc.GA18/REC58/CYF/01)

   - Recommendation 57/2001 on the Second General Assembly of the Black Sea Capitals’ Association
     (Doc.GA18/REC57/01)

9. Financial Matters
   a) Adoption of the Budget of the Assembly for the Financial Year 2002
     (Doc.GA18/BUDG/01)
   b) Setting up the Budget Drafting and Auditing Committee

10. The 2002 Spring Session of the General Assembly
    Date, venue and agenda

11. Rotation of the Presidency
    ♦ Message by Mrs. Nino BURJANADZE, the Seventeenth President of the PABSEC, Chairperson of the Parliament of Georgia

12. Closing of the General Assembly
    ♦ Speech by Mr. Ognian GERDJIKOV, the Sixteenth President of the PABSEC, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria.

Press-Conference