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AGENDA and WORK PROGRAMME

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MONDAY 13 June

8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.

Conciliation meetings on urgent motions for resolution

11.00 a.m.

Formal opening sitting of the 31st Session of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly

List of speakers:

- Peter Hitjitevi Katjavivi, Speaker of the National Assembly of Namibia
- Michèle Rivasi, acting Co-President of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- Netty Baldeh, Co-President of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- Nickey Iyambo, Vice-President of the Republic of Namibia

3.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

Sitting of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly

Constituent meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly and accreditation of non-parliamentary representatives

1. **Adoption of agenda**
2. **Approval of the minutes** of the last sittings of the 30th session of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly (OJ C 179, 18.05.2016)
3. **Co-Presidents' Announcements** including decisions taken at the Bureau meeting of 12 June 2016
4. **Statement by Neven Mimica**, Member of the Commission with responsibility for international cooperation and development
5. **Debate with Neven Mimica**, Member of the Commission with responsibility for international cooperation and development – catch-the-eye
6. **Question Time to the Commission**
7. **Action taken by the Commission** on the resolutions adopted at the 30th session of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly
8. **Prevention and management of epidemics**
Debate with Quazi Monirul Islam, WHO representative to Namibia
9. **Report of the economic and social partners**
Presentation by Yves Somville, Chair of the ACP Follow-up Committee, European Economic and Social Committee

TUESDAY 14 June

9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

10. **Statement by Lilianne Ploumen**, Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation (the Netherlands), President-in-Office of the EU Council
11. **Statement by Ingrid Olga Ebouka Babakas**, Minister of Planning, Statistics and Regional Integration (Republic of the Congo), President-in-Office of the ACP Council
12. **Question Time to the Council**
13. **Debate with the Council** – catch-the-eye
14. **A continental free trade area for Africa – prospects for fostering intra-African trade and potential benefits for the ACP**
Committee on Economic Development, Finance and Trade
Co-Rapporteurs: Jean-Marie Bulambo (Democratic Republic of the Congo) and Marielle de Sarnez
15. **Report on the 12th regional meeting (Southern Africa) held in Gaborone (Botswana) from 20 to 22 April 2016** – report by the Co-Presidents

3.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

16. **Urgent topic No 1: The pre-electoral and security situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo**
17. **Improving participatory governance through decentralisation and strengthening local governance**
Committee on Political Affairs
Co-rapporteurs: James Kembi-Gitura (Kenya) and Aymeric Chauprade
18. **Summary reports from the workshops**
19. **The impact of the drop in the price of oil and other strategic commodities on ACP economies**
Debate without resolution
20. **Urgent topic No 2: Rape and violence against women and children in armed conflicts**

WEDNESDAY 15 June

9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

21. **Migration between ACP and EU Member States: causes, consequences and strategies for common management**
Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment
Co-rapporteurs: Magnus Kofi Amoatey (Ghana) and Norbert Neuser
22. **The future of the ACP-EU partnership Post Cotonou**
Debate with Adẹkeye Adebajo, Director of the Centre for Conflict Resolution in Cape Town (South Africa)
23. **The changing face of conflict and global security threats - impact on global peace and stability**
Debate with Joachim Chissano, former President of Mozambique

1.15 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Meeting of the ACP Parliamentary Assembly

2.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

24. **Economy, trade and business in the Southern African region**
Exchange of views with Calle Schlettwein, Minister of Finance (Namibia)
25. **Vote** on the motions for resolution included in the reports submitted by the three standing committees
26. **Vote** on the urgent motions for resolution
27. **Any other business**
28. **Date and place** of the 32nd Session of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly