

INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION

CHEMIN DU POMMIER 5 1218 LE GRAND-SACONNEX / GENEVA (SWITZERLAND)

TELEPHONE (41.22) 919 41 50 - FAX (41.22) 919 41 60 - E-MAIL postbox@mail.ipu.org

GRP/2013/DSG.1 16 January 2013

PROPOSALS FOR SUBJECT ITEMS FOR THE 130th ASSEMBLY (April 2014)

As mentioned in the convocations of the three Standing Committees of the Inter-Parliamentary Union dated 15 January 2013, IPU Members are invited to submit to the IPU Secretariat their proposals for the subject items to be discussed by those Committees at the time of the 130th Assembly, to be held in April 2014.

In accordance with the provisions of Article 14.1 of the Statutes: "The Assembly shall establish the agenda for its subsequent session", which includes, in addition to a General Debate with an overall theme, "one subject item proposed by each Standing Committee and relating to its own field of competence" (Assembly Rule 10), to be selected in accordance with the proposals made by the Members.

The three subject items on the agenda of the 130th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union must fall within the spheres of competence of the IPU Standing Committees:

- First Standing Committee: Peace and International Security
- Second Standing Committee: Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade
- Third Standing Committee: Democracy and Human Rights.

Member Parliaments are kindly invited to inform the IPU Secretariat as soon as possible of subject item proposals for study by the Standing Committees over the next one-year cycle. It would be useful if such proposals were accompanied by a brief explanatory note and the names of prospective rapporteurs.

Subject items and candidatures for co-rapporteurs should be transmitted to the IPU Secretariat **by 5 p.m. on Sunday, 24 March 2013 latest** (<u>5 p.m on 23 March for the Second Standing Committee</u>).

Based on the submissions received, the IPU Secretariat will prepare a consolidated document which will be made available at the Quito Assembly so as to allow Members to discuss and consider the various proposals. The subject items endorsed by the Standing Committees in Quito will be submitted for adoption by the IPU Assembly at its closing session on 27 March 2013.