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JOURNAL¹ **Sunday, 24 March 2013**

Time	Meeting	Place ²
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	 Assembly Item 3: General debate on the overall theme From unrelenting growth to purposeful development "Buen Vivir": New approaches, new solutions (continued) Interactive dialogue with Speaker R. Kadaga (Uganda), Hon. S. Chowdhury (Bangladesh) and Senator G. Penadés (Uruguay) on the place of democratic governance in the next generation of development goals 	Salones Humboldt & Darwin
9 a.m. – 11 a.m.	Open session of the Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law (IHL) on <i>The IHL dimension of the responsibility to protect</i>	Salón Montufar
9 a.m. – 11 a.m.	Drafting Committee – Item 5 (Second Standing Committee – Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade)	Salón Lasso (in camera)
	◆ Composition: Algeria, Australia, Burkina Faso, Chad, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, France, Japan, Palestine, Serbia, Sudan	
	 Continuation and end of drafting committee 	
9.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. & 2.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians	Salón Jiménez (in camera)
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Meeting of the Bureau of the Second Standing Committee	Salón Lasso (in camera)
11.15 a.m. – 1 p.m.	. Informal meeting of parliamentary whips	Salón Montufar

¹ Information as at 23 March, at 6 p.m.

² Unless indicated otherwise, all meeting rooms are situated on level -2.

2 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Advisory Group on HIV/AIDS and Maternal and Child Health	Salón Flores (in camera)
2.30 – 5.30 p.m.	Panel discussion on Development in danger: Filling legislative gaps to combat tomorrow's natural disasters	Salón Landáburo
2.30 – 6.30 p.m.	Assembly • Item 3: General debate on the overall theme From unrelenting growth to purposeful development "Buen Vivir": New approaches, new solutions (continued)	Salones Humboldt & Darwin
4.30 – 6.30 p.m.	Debate on the emergency item	
2.30 – 6.30 p.m.	First Standing Committee	Salón Condamine

Item 4: Enforcing the responsibility to protect: The role of parliament in

Presentation of report and draft resolutionDebate

safeguarding civilians' lives

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Preview of main programme for Monday, 25 March

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9 a.m. – 12 noon	Panel discussion on The legalization of drugs: Can it help curb organized crime?	Salón Landáburo
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. 2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.	Drafting Committee – Item 6 (Third Standing Committee – Democracy and Human Rights)	Salón Carríon (in camera)
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. 4 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.	Possible drafting committee on the emergency item	Salón Montufar (in camera)
11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Open session of the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians on <i>Promoting greater parliamentary solidarity with MPs under threat</i>	Salón Jiménez
2.30 p.m.–5.30 p.m.	Panel discussion on Addressing the rights of children with disabilities	Salón Landáburo
2.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	First Standing Committee - Consideration of the draft resolution in plenary	Salón Condamine
4 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Second Standing Committee - Adoption of the draft resolution	Salones Humboldt & Darwin

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OTHER EVENTS

Tuesday, 26 March 2013

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Assembly Salones Humboldt
Continuation and end of general debate & Darwin

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• Presentation by, and interaction with, Ms. Rebeca Grynspan,

Deputy Administrator of UNDP

2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Workshop on Ensuring accountability for women's and children's health Salón Landáburo

Wednesday, 27 March 2013

9.30 a.m. – 12 noon Workshop on *Towards a new vision for sustainable development: What* Salón Landáburo

place for democratic governance?

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OTHER INFORMATION

- Inclusion of an emergency item in the Assembly agenda: Delegates are informed that the item "The role of parliaments in addressing the security and humanitarian impact of the crisis in Syria and in bringing pressure to bear on their governments to assume their international and humanitarian responsibility towards Syrian refugees and to support the neighbouring countries that receive them" has been included as an emergency item (Item 8).
- **Drafting Committee on the emergency item:** Geopolitical groups are kindly requested to nominate their representatives by <u>5 p.m. today</u>, <u>Sunday</u>, <u>24 March</u>.
- **General debate:** Speakers who have not yet registered may do so at the speakers' registration desk which is located just outside the entrance to the Plenary Hall. The list of speakers will close at <u>noon today</u>, <u>Sunday</u>, <u>24 March 2013</u>.
- **Proposals for subject items:** Delegates are kindly requested to submit their proposals for the agenda of the 130th Assembly, for the First and Third Committees, to the Submission and Control of Documents Service (office 10, IPU Secretariat area, Business Centre, level -1) as soon as possible, and **not later than 5 p.m. today, Sunday, 24 March,** to allow the Bureaux to consider them at the start of their work.
- **Drafting Committee for the Third Standing Committee**: Geopolitical groups are kindly requested to nominate their representatives as early as possible <u>before</u> the start of the drafting committee's work at 9 a.m. on 25 March.
- The First Standing Committee will be discussing the draft resolution in its plenary session.
- Due to limited seating arrangements, delegates will be invited to pick up their country nameplates upon arrival in the Standing Committee room.
- List of delegates: In order to ensure the accuracy of the final List of Delegates, delegations are kindly requested to report any changes to Ms. Marina Filippin at the Registration Desk before 6 p.m. today, Sunday, 24 March. The final List of Delegates will be made available on the IPU website.

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VACANCIES TO BE FILLED DURING THE 128th ASSEMBLY

Candidatures – for most vacancies from the corresponding geopolitical groups – should be accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one-page maximum) and, unless indicated otherwise, may be submitted to the Submission and Control of Documents Service (office 10, IPU Secretariat area, Business Centre, level -1). See <u>Vacancies</u> document for further details.

COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

On 27 March 2013, the Governing Council will be required to elect **one substitute member** (Asia-Pacific Group).

To date, the following candidature has been received:

- Mr. A. Mahloof (Maldives): candidature submitted by the candidate himself.

Committee on Middle East Questions

On 27 March 2013, the Governing Council will be required to elect **one titular member** and **one substitute member**. According to the gender guidelines governing the composition of the Committee on Middle East Questions, no more than four of the seven members shall be of the same sex and as many of the geopolitical groups as possible shall be represented on the Committee. As such, the vacancy for substitute member will need to be filled by a woman parliamentarian.

To date, the following candidature has been received:

Ms. M. Mensah-Williams (Namibia): candidature as substitute member submitted by the African Group.

Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

On 27 March 2013, the Governing Council will be required to elect **two titular members** (Arab Group and Eurasia Group) **and two substitute members** (Arab Group and Eurasia Group).

STANDING COMMITTEE BUREAUX

Apart from the vacancies indicated, all present members of the Bureaux are eligible for re-election.

First Standing Committee (Peace and International Security)

Two vacancies: One titular member and one substitute member (Eurasia Group).

Candidatures for the above vacancies may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place on <u>Tuesday, 26 March 2013</u>, at the last sitting of the Committee.

Second Standing Committee (Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade)

Three vacancies: Two titular members (Arab Group and Twelve Plus Group) and one substitute member (Eurasia Group). Candidatures for the above vacancies may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place on Monday, 25 March 2013, at the last sitting of the Committee.

To date, the following candidatures have been received:

- Mr. F.-X. de Donnea (Belgium): candidature as titular member submitted by the Twelve Plus Group;
- Ms. M. Obradović (Serbia): candidature as substitute member submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

Third Standing Committee (Democracy and Human Rights)

Five vacancies: Two titular members (Twelve-Plus Group and Asia-Pacific Group) and three substitute members (Eurasia Group, GRULAC and Twelve-Plus Group).

Candidatures for the above vacancies may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place on Monday, 25 March 2013, at the last sitting of the Committee.

To date, the following candidatures have been received:

- Mr. C. Janiak (Switzerland): candidature as titular member submitted by the Twelve Plus Group;
- Ms. G. Ortíz (Mexico): candidature as substitute member submitted by GRULAC;
- Ms. L. Wall (New Zealand): candidature as substitute member submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

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Make your voice heard through the "MY World" survey at www.myworld2015.org/?partner=mp.



Members of the IPU Secretariat will be approaching delegates during the Assembly to gather views on the future IPU website, as well as to seek responses on various ongoing surveys. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.