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Draft agenda

- 1. Adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Approval of the summary records of the Committee's session held on the occasion of the 131st IPU Assembly in Geneva (October 2014)**
- 3. Elections to the Bureau of the Standing Committee**

The Committee will fill the existing vacancies on the Bureau based on proposals from the geopolitical groups.
- 4. Finalization and adoption of the resolution on *International law as it relates to national sovereignty, non-intervention in the internal affairs of States and human rights***

As decided at the 131st Assembly, the Committee will resume its work on the basis of what has been agreed thus far. The working documents will be the *Revised draft resolution* and the *Annotated list of amendments* considered at the 131st Assembly. The two documents, accompanied by a note describing the anticipated working method, are available online at <http://www.ipu.org/conf-e/132agnd.htm>.
- 5. Interactive debate on the topic *The Convention on the Rights of the Child 25 years on: Are children's lives better?***

This interactive debate will consider the impact of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child on the lives of children and the ways in which parliaments have used the Convention to promote respect for children's rights. It will also discuss one or more thematic areas of concern that continue to affect children and possible avenues for parliamentary action to address those concerns.
- 6. Implementation of the 2012 IPU resolution on *Access to health as a basic right: the role of parliaments in addressing key challenges to securing the health of women and children***

This landmark resolution, adopted at the 126th Assembly in 2012, focuses on human rights and political and socio-economic imperatives for parliamentary action to secure women's and children's health. Parliaments in countries with the highest maternal and child mortality rates have been working to address this problem, often with assistance from the IPU and partners such as the World Health Organization (WHO) and its Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH).

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The session will review progress since the resolution's adoption, track its implementation and highlight challenges and good practices. It will also aim to culminate in recommendations concerning priorities in this area of work for the period beyond 2015.

7. Interactive debate on the future resolution on *Democracy in the digital era and the threat to privacy and individual freedoms*

At the 131st Assembly, the Committee adopted as the subject of the next resolution the topic: *Democracy in the digital era and the threat to privacy and individual freedoms*. The resolution is expected to be drafted and adopted at the 133rd Assembly (October 2015).

This interactive debate will give members of the Committee an opportunity to learn about current issues related to this topic and exchange views with key stakeholders. It will also provide the co-Rapporteurs with initial information about Members' perspectives on relevant issues.

8. Any other business