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# ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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- 11. Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee to the General Assembly.

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#### Item 5. Objectives of the Durban Review Conference

9. The Human Rights Council decided, pursuant to paragraph 3 of its resolution 3/2, that the Preparatory Committee shall decide on the objectives of the Review Conference at its organizational session. Accordingly, a general debate is scheduled for the first and second day of the Preparatory Committee's present session, with a focus on agenda item 5, relating to objectives of the Review Conference.

10. Moreover, the Human Rights Council decided, in paragraph 6 of resolution 3/2, that "the review will concentrate on the implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, including further actions, initiatives and practical solutions for combating all the contemporary scourges of racism".

#### Item 6. Adoption of rules of procedure of the Durban Review Conference

11. The Preparatory Committee may wish to use, as basis for its discussion, in relation to the Durban Review Conference, the rules of procedure of the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance (A/CONF.189/2).

## Item 7. Relevant modalities for the Durban Review Conference

12. The Human Rights Council decided, in paragraph 3 of resolution 3/2, that the Preparatory Committee, at its organizational session, shall decide on the relevant modalities for the Conference ica270.52 05(9)-10.3015(/)-2.19( )-0.1477ar11.2312(t)-2.16436( )-0.146571(a)3.74(n)-0.2955

#### Item 9. Reports, studies and other documentation for the Preparatory Committee and the Durban Review Conference and contributions by human rights bodies and mechanisms

16. Pursuant to paragraph 4 of Human Rights Council resolution 3/2, the Council requests that "Governments, the specialized agencies of the United Nations system and relevant United Nations bodies, regional organizations, governmental and non-governmental