Bureau Proposal, 8 December 2011

FIFTY-SIXTH SESSION OF CSW: PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK 27 February - 9 March 2012

WEEK 1	Monday, 27 February 2012	Tuesday, 28 February 2012	Wednesday, 29 February 2012	Thursday, 1 March 2012	Friday, 2 March 2012
10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	- Opening of the session - Election of officers (Item 1) - Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (Item 2) - Introduction of documents (Item 3 as a whole) General discussion (Item 3) (opens) Review of the implementation of: the BPfA and the outcome of the 23rd special session of the GA - sharing of experiences and good practices on implementation of the Platform for Action, with a view to overcoming remaining obstacles and new challenges 1 p.m.: deadline for inscription on list of speakers	Panel 1 Priority theme The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges Focus: economic empowerment of rural women	General discussion (Item 3) (continued)	Panel 3 Review theme Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of CSW 52 on "Financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women" Focus: national experiences in implementing the agreed conclusions of CSW 52	Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations
1 – 3 p.m.			Preparatory panel for 2013: Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls		
3.00 – 6.00 p.m.	High-level round table on the priority theme (in two parallel meetings) The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges (Item 3 (a) (i))	General discussion (Item 3) (continued)	Panel 2 Priority theme The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges Focus: the role of gender-responsive governance and institutions for the empowerment of rural women	Panel 4 Review theme Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of CSW 52 on "Financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women" Focus: progress in financing for gender equality from the perspective of international organizations and multilateral development partners	Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations

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WEEK 2	Monday, 5 March 2012	Tuesday, 6 March 2012	Wednesday, 7 March 2012	Thursday, 8 March 2012	Friday, 9 March 2012
10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	General discussion (Item 3) (continued) in parallel with Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations	Panel 5: Emerging issue Engaging young women and men, girls and boys, to advance gender equality 3 p.m.: deadline for submission of draft proposals	International Women's Day [10 a.m. to 12 p.m.] followed by: Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations	Follow-up to the Economic and Social Council resolutions and decisions (Item 5) - introduction and discussion Introduction of draft proposals in parallel with Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations	Action on draft proposals
1 – 3 p.m.					
3.00 – 6.00 p.m.	General discussion (Item 3) (concludes) in parallel with Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations	Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations	Closed meeting to consider the report of the Working Group on Communications (Item 4) followed by Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations	Agreed conclusions: Informal consultations	Action on draft proposals and other outstanding issues Provisional agenda for the 57th session of CSW (Item 6) Adoption of the report of the CSW on its 56th session (Item 7) Closure of the 56th session