

ACC SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
STATISTICAL ACTIVITIES  
Twenty-ninth session  
Geneva, 15, 16, 19 June 1995  
Item 1 of the provisional agenda

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Report of the Bureau on its  
meeting held 1 March 1995, New York

1. The Bureau met on Wednesday 1 March 1995. The meeting was attended by J. McLenaghan (IMF), S. Quin (IMF), P. Sainz (ECLAC), F. Mehran (ILO), H. Habermann (UNSD) and R. Roberts (UNSD). The Bureau's consideration of each item of the agenda follows:

(a) Chairmanship and Bureau of the Subcommittee

2. The Bureau discussed the next chairmanship and Bureau, and the procedures for determining the chairmanship and Bureau, consistent with the guidelines on rotation as previously established by the Subcommittee. The Bureau requested the Secretariat to study the implications of "staggering the change in membership of the Bureau" which had been decided by the Subcommittee, as it was apparent that there could be an inconsistency among the guidelines (i) that Bureau membership should in principle be for 2 years, (ii) the desirability of providing continuity, (iii) staggering the changes in membership —and (iv) providing for the chairman to serve for a two year period and being eligible for re-election.

(b) Agenda and documentation for the Subcommittee meeting in June 1995

3. The Bureau finalized the agenda and documentation for the twenty-ninth session of the Subcommittee. It will be issued as document SA/1995/1 for the Subcommittee.

(c) Dates and place of the twenty-ninth session of the Subcommittee

4. The Bureau decided that the twenty-ninth session of the Subcommittee should be held in Geneva on Thursday, Friday and Monday, 15, 16 and 19 June 1995. The session will start at 3:00 pm on Thursday 15 June, following the Conference of European Statisticians, which is scheduled to finish at lunch time on Thursday 15 June. The Bureau regretted any difficulty that these dates might pose for some of the organizations which would not be attending the Conference of European Statisticians.

(d) Other possible meetings (task forces etc) around the time of the Subcommittee meeting

5. Several members of the Subcommittee had expressed the desirability, especially for the regional commissions, of scheduling other meetings around the time of the Subcommittee's sessions to facilitate attendance at meetings on a cost-effective basis. The Bureau requested the Secretariat to write to all the Task Force conveners requesting them to schedule their meetings around the Subcommittee sessions, as far as possible, if there was no specific and strong reason for holding the Task Force meetings at other locations and other dates.

(e) Other business

6. No matters were raised under this item.