



General Assembly

18 September 2020

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Programme of work and timetable of the First Committee for 2020

<i>Programme/meeting</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Number of meetings</i>
Meeting for the organization of work	Tuesday, 6 October, p.m.	1
General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (in person meetings) and introduction of all draft resolutions and decisions to be submitted under agenda items, ^a	Thursday, 8 October, a.m. Friday, 9 October a.m. and p.m. Monday, 12 October a.m. Wednesday, 14 October a.m. Thursday, 15 October a.m. Friday, 16 October a.m. Monday, 19 October a.m. and p.m. Tuesday, 20 October a.m. Wednesday, 21 October a.m. (Thursday, 22 October a.m.) Friday, 23 October a.m.	12
Closure of the list of speakers for the general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items	Monday, 12 October, at 6 p.m.	
Interactive dialogues on specific subjects (virtual meetings of 2 hour duration) including:		
(a) Exchange with the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs including on the follow-up to the resolutions and decisions adopted by the Committee at its previous sessions/presentation of reports	Tuesday, 13 October p.m.	3
(b) Exchange with civil society		
(c) Panel discussions and exchanges with independent experts and other high-level officials (briefings by high-level officials proposed by the regional groups and the chairs of the GGEs and the OEWG (a.m.); and briefings on regional disarmament and the disarmament machinery (p.m.))	Monday, 26 October a.m. and p.m.	
Deadline for submission of draft resolutions and decisions under all agenda items	Thursday, 15 October, at 4 p.m.	
Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items	Tuesday, 27 October a.m. Wednesday, 28 October a.m. Tuesday, 3 November a.m. Wednesday, 4 November a.m.	4

<i>Week</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
5–9 October		6 October afternoon		8 October morning	9 October morning and afternoon
12–16 October	12 October morning	13 October afternoon (virtual)	14 October morning	15 October morning	16 October morning
19–23 October	19 October morning and afternoon	20 October morning	21 October morning	22 October morning	23 October morning
26–30 October	26 October morning and afternoon (virtual)	27 October morning	28 October morning		
2–6 November		3 November morning	4 November morning		

^a A rolling list of speakers will be opened two weeks before the beginning of the session. Delegations are encouraged to limit their statements for the general debate to a maximum of 10 minutes; statements on behalf of a group of countries should not exceed 13 minutes. The list will give priority to high-level representatives and should be shared with the Committee on a regular basis so as to increase transparency.