



PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION
PABSEC

INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

TWELFTH PLENARY SESSION
Tuesday, 8 - Thursday, 10 December, 1998
SAINT-PETERSBURG
Tavrishesky Palace

DRAFT AGENDA

1. **Opening Ceremony**
Statements by Personalities
2. **Matters of Procedure**
 - a) Adoption of the Agenda *(Doc GA 5046/98)*
 - b) Adoption of the Order of Business *(Doc GA 5047/98)*
 - c) Examination of New Credentials *(Doc GA 5051/98)*
 - d) Approval of the Minutes of the Eleventh Plenary Session of the General Assembly held on 23-25 June 1998 in Bucharest *(Doc GA 5052/98)*
 - e) Progress Report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee *(Doc GA 5053/98)*
3. **General Debate : The Black Sea Economic Cooperation Process: New Perspectives after the Yalta Summit**
◇ Statements by Speakers/Heads of national delegations
4. **Black Sea Economic Cooperation**
 - a) The Twelfth Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Sofia, 22 October 1998
 - Background paper prepared by the International Secretariat *(Doc.GA 5055/98)*

Debate
 - b) The Third BSEC Meeting of the Ministers of Internal Affairs, Corfu (Greece), 1-2 October 1998
 - Background paper prepared by the International Secretariat *(Doc.LC 5035/98)*

Debate

5. **Economic, Commercial, Technological and Environmental Affairs**
 - a) Report on "Transportation in the Black Sea Region" (*Doc.GA 5027/98*)
 - b) Recommendation 29/1998 on "Transportation in the Black Sea Region"
(*Doc GA 5028/98*)
 - c) Conclusions of the Seminar "Transportation Technology and the Integration of Europe"
(*Doc.EC 5054/98*)

6. **Legal and Political Affairs**
 - a) Report on the "The Legal Framework of the Avoidance of Double Taxation"
(*Doc. GA 5031/98*)
 - b) Recommendation 30/1998 on "The Legal Framework of the Avoidance of Double Taxation"
(*Doc.GA 5032/98*)
 - c) Revision of some articles of the PABSEC Rules of Procedure
(*Doc. GA 5033/98*)
 - d) Headquarters Agreement between the PABSEC and the Government of the Republic of Turkey
(*Doc.GA 5034/98*)

7. **Cultural, Educational and Social Affairs**
 - a) Report on "The Mutual Recognition of Higher Education Diplomas by the BSEC Member Countries"
(*Doc. GA 5024/98*).
 - b) Recommendation 31/1998 on "The Mutual Recognition of Higher Education Diplomas by the BSEC Member Countries"
(*Doc. GA 5025/98*).

8. **Financial Matters**
 - a) Adoption of the Budget of the Assembly for the Financial Year 1999
(*Doc. SC 4033/98*)
 - b) Setting up the Budget Drafting and Auditing Committee
(*Doc.GA 5057/98*)

9. **Election of a Vice-President of the Assembly** (*Doc.GA 5058/98*)

10. **The 1999 Spring Session of the General Assembly**
Date, venue and agenda

11. **Rotation of the Presidency** (*Doc.GA 5059/98*)
 - Speech by Mr. Hikmet Cetin, the Eleventh PABSEC President, President of the Turkish Grand National Assembly

12. **Closing of the General Assembly**
 - Speech by Mr. Gennady Seleznev, the Tenth President of the PABSEC, Chairman of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation
 - **Press-Conference**