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Twenty-third Joint Meeting
Colombo, Sri Lanka
25 March 2011

PLACE AND DATE OF THE 24TH MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMISSION

Item 9 of the Provisional Agenda

Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General submits to the Joint Meeting of the two Commissions information related to the place and date of its 24th Joint Meeting
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It is recalled that as a result of a unanimous decision taken in 2005 by the Commission for South Asia (CSA/46) and the Commission for East Asia and the Pacific (CAP/42), joint meetings of the two commissions are to be held on a rotational basis i.e. alternating from countries in South Asia to countries in East Asia and the Pacific.

Following this decision, the 20th joint meeting of the two commissions took place in Kobe, Japan in 2008. This was followed by the 21st joint meeting in Tehran Iran in 2009, the 22nd joint meeting in Hanoi, Vietnam in 2010 and the 23rd joint meeting which is being held in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

In accordance with the foregoing, the 24th joint meeting of the two commissions scheduled for the first half of 2012 will have to be hosted by a member country from the Commission for East Asia and the Pacific (CAP). However, up to the time of the preparation of this note, no country from CAP has officially communicated its interest to host the joint meeting.

Unless a member country of CAP offers to host the 24th Joint meeting of the two commissions in Colombo, the Secretariat proposes that the decision on the place be taken during the 19th session of the General Assembly scheduled to take place in the Republic of Korea from 8-14 October 2011.

Nevertheless, before the General Assembly in Korea (during which the 49th CAP Meeting and 53rd CSA Meeting will be held to elect various Organs and Committees of the Assembly) members of the Commission for East Asia and the Pacific interested in hosting the 24th Joint meeting of the two commissions in 2012 are encouraged to communicate it to the Secretariat in writing.