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Update on the General Assembly

I. Function of the General Assembly:

The Assembly is the supreme organ of the Organization and shall be composed of delegates representing Full Members.

The Assembly shall meet in ordinary session every two years and, as well, in extraordinary session when circumstances require. Extraordinary sessions may be convened at the request of the Council or of a majority of Full Members of the Organization.

The session of the Assembly shall (i) be opened by the President of the preceding session or by the head of the delegation to which he belonged, (ii) elect its President and (iii) elect its Vice-Presidents on the basis of equitable geographical distribution, making allowance for the region represented by the President.

II. Role of Officers:

The Officers of the Assembly shall be the President and the Vice-Presidents elected for the duration of the session from among the Full Members.

The Officers of the Assembly shall be jointly responsible for recommending the Assembly's programme of work, determining the time and agenda of each plenary meeting, making proposals regarding the establishment and composition of subsidiary organs, and reporting to the Assembly on all other questions requiring decision for the proper conduct of business.

III. Election process of Vice-Presidents in 2019

The Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly should represent the UNWTO regions as follows: **two for Africa**, two for the Americas, one for Europe, one for East Asia and the Pacific, one for South Asia and one for the Middle East.

The Regional Commissions are requested to nominate candidates to represent their regions as Vice-Presidents of the twenty-third session of the Assembly.