Agenda item 7: Date and place of the 71st meeting of the Commission for Europe

Executive Summary

On 11 March 2024, the State Tourism Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan submitted a written candidature for the hosting of the 71st meeting of the Commission for Europe, to be held in Azerbaijan in 2025. The Secretariat informed all members of the Commission for Europe about the candidature by way of the verbal note NV/RDEU/86/2024.

As of the date of this document, the Secretariat had only received the candidature of Azerbaijan.

Conclusions and Recommendations CEU/CR/7 (LXX)\(^1\)

The Commission for Europe,

- Having received the candidature of Azerbaijan, presented by Mr. Fuad Naghiyev, Chairman of the State Tourism Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan,
- Having received no alternative candidatures,

1. Shows appreciation to Azerbaijan for presenting its candidature to host the seventy-first meeting of the Commission for Europe and accepts the invitation;
2. Entrusts the Secretariat with making the necessary arrangements and offering support for the holding of the meeting during the second quarter of 2025;
3. Requests the host government and the Secretariat to confirm the dates of the seventy-first meeting before the end of 2024.

\(^1\) This is a draft of the conclusions and recommendations for the corresponding agenda item. For the final text adopted by the Commission, please refer to the Conclusions and recommendations document issued at the end of the session.
Annex I:

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STATE TOURISM AGENCY OF
THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN

To the Secretary-General of the
World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)
H.E. Mr. Zurab Pololikashvili

Your Excellency,

On behalf of the State Tourism Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan, I present my compliments to the UN Tourism.

I would like to express my appreciation for your continuous support and contribution to the advancing the cooperation between the Republic of Azerbaijan and UN Tourism.

As a committed partner of UN Tourism in promoting sustainable and responsible tourism practices, the State Tourism Agency is eager to present its candidacy and take on the responsibility to host the next meeting of UN Tourism Commission for Europe (CEU) in Azerbaijan in 2025.

The initiative to host the 71st session of UN Tourism Commission for Europe aligns seamlessly with our commitment to fostering collaboration, knowledge exchange, and innovation within the global tourism community. We believe that bringing this esteemed event to Azerbaijan will not only provide a platform for meaningful discussions but also showcase the rich cultural heritage and hospitality that our country has to offer.

Moreover, I firmly believe that our shared objectives and collaborative endeavors will significantly contribute to the development of tourism ties, thereby opening the door to new perspectives for future collaborative opportunities between the State Tourism Agency and the UN Tourism.

Government of Azerbaijan undertakes to provide the necessary conditions established in the model agreement developed by the Secretariat, which sets out the legal framework governing the holding of UN Tourism meetings away from Headquarters, in accordance with resolution 062(XXI) of UN Tourism General Assembly.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to You the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

Sincerely,

Chairman

Fuad Neghiyev