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MAC Protocol Committee of Governmental Experts Second session Rome, 2 – 6 October 2017 UNIDROIT 2017 Study 72K – CGE2 – Doc. 1 Original: English May 2017

## ANNOTATED DRAFT AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the session and election of the Officers.
- 2. Adoption of the annotated draft agenda and organisation of the session.
- 3. Report on intersessional work.
- 4. Consideration of the preliminary draft Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters specific to Agricultural, Construction and Mining Equipment.
- 5. Future work.
- 6. Review of Report.
- 7. Any other business.

## ANNOTATIONS

## Item 1: Opening of the session and election of the officers

1. The second session of the UNIDROIT Committee of Governmental Experts for the preparation of a draft Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters specific to Agricultural, Construction and Mining Equipment (the "MAC Protocol") will be held at the Headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153) in Rome in the Green Room, from 2 to 6 October 2017.

2. On Monday 2 October the session will be opened at 10:00. Registration will start at 08:30.

3. The session will be opened by the Secretary-General of UNIDROIT acting as provisional Chairman. Officers for the session will then be elected. The Committee may wish to elect a Chairperson, two Deputy Chairpersons and a Reporter.

#### Item 2: Adoption of the annotated draft agenda and organisation of the session

4. The regular hours of the session will be as follows:

Morning session:	09:00 - 12:30
Afternoon session:	14:00 - 17:00

5. The proceedings will be conducted in English and French, with simultaneous interpretation in the two languages.

6. Documentation for the session shall be made available on the UNIDROIT website (<u>http://www.unidroit.org/work-in-progress-studies/current-studies/mac-protocol</u>).

7. All States and governmental organisations have been invited to submit written comments on the preliminary draft MAC Protocol. Non-governmental organisations invited to participate as observers have also been invited to submit written comments.

8. UNIDROIT would like to draw attention to the security procedures of the FAO, which provide that participants must wear FAO-approved badges containing a photograph of the participant in order to be granted access to the conference rooms. Participants not wishing to find their access to FAO held up on arrival will need to supply to UNIDROIT colour passport-size photographs of themselves for inclusion on their badges by e-mail.

## Item 3: Report on intersessional work

9. At its first session (Rome, 20 – 24 March 2017), the Committee of Governmental Experts agreed to establish an intersessional Working Group on registration criteria. The Committee decided that the Intersessional Working Group on Registration Criteria should additionally consider potential measures to improve the preliminary draft Protocol's transparency in portraying the types of MAC equipment it applied to. The intersessional Working Group will report back to the Committee at its second session.

## Item 4: Consideration of the preliminary draft Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters specific to Agricultural, Construction and Mining Equipment

10. The preliminary draft Protocol (as set out in document UNIDROIT 2017 – S72K – CGE2 – Doc. 2) will constitute the basic working document of the Committee at its second session.<sup>1</sup> It will be accompanied by the Explanatory Report (UNIDROIT 2017 – Study 72K – CGE2 – Doc. 3), which will contain commentary and analysis on each of the draft provisions. This document should also be considered in conjunction with the legal analysis (UNIDROIT 2017 – Study 72K – CGE2 – Doc. 4), which will provide a more in-depth analysis of the legal and policy considerations underpinning the preliminary draft MAC Protocol.

#### **Item 5: Future work**

11. UNIDROIT envisages that a diplomatic Conference could be convened in the second half of 2018 to adopt the Protocol.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The preliminary draft MAC Protocol as set out in document UNIDROIT 2017 - S72K - CGE2 - Doc. 2 was prepared by the Drafting Committee and adopted by the Committee of Governmental Experts at its first session (20 - 24 March 2017).