



Governing Body

340th Session, Geneva, October–November 2020

Institutional Section

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Approval of the minutes of the 337th Session of the Governing Body and of the proceedings related to the decisions made by correspondence by the Governing Body between March and September 2020 in relation to the items on the agenda of the 338th Session of the Governing Body

1. The 338th, 338th bis and 339th Sessions of the Governing Body (originally scheduled for March, May and June 2020), did not take place¹ in view of the restrictions to meetings and travel introduced in early March as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Governing Body delegated to its Officers the authority to make decisions, in consultation with the tripartite Screening Group, on several items on the agenda of its 338th Session and adopted certain decisions by correspondence. Consideration of all other items on the agenda was deferred to future sessions of the Governing Body.
2. The approval of the minutes of the 337th Session (October–November 2019) of the Governing Body was one of the items on the agenda of the 338th Session which was deferred to a future session. In accordance with paragraph 5.6.3 of the Standing Orders of the Governing Body, the [minutes of the 337th Session](#) were posted on the Governing Body website. Members had a period of six weeks, following web posting, to

¹ See [Governing Body decision](#) adopted by correspondence on 3 April 2020.

communicate to the Office any amendments they wished to make to their interventions. Those draft minutes, with any amendments received, are hereby submitted to the Governing Body for approval by correspondence at the beginning of its 340th Session.

3. The minutes of the [meetings in which the Officers of the Governing Body and the Screening Group](#) considered the items on the agenda of the 338th Session that were submitted to the Governing Body for decision by correspondence have also been posted on the Governing Body website. The Governing Body is invited to take note of those minutes.

▶ Draft decision

4. **The Governing Body approved by correspondence the minutes of its 337th Session (October–November 2019), as amended, and took note of the minutes of the meetings of the Screening Group held in preparation of decisions made by correspondence by the Governing Body between March and October 2020.**