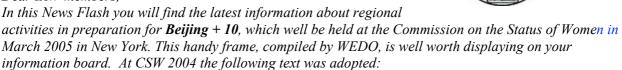
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Dear IAW members,



'The draft Resolution on the 49th session adopted at the 48th CSW, on the 49th session (document E/CN.6/2004/L.12) would have the Commission decide to focus on the **implementation** of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly through the expanded use of **interactive dialogue**, and with broad-based participation of government delegations at the highest level of responsibility and expertise, and of **civil society** and organisations within the United Nations system, bearing in mind the need to integrate a gender perspective in the implementation and review of the Millennium Declaration'.

Beijing+10 Regional and Global Processes Compiled by Women's Environment & Development Organization (WEDO)

Region	When and Where?	Issues/Targets/	Outcome
ESCWA www.escwa.org.lb/ (Economic & Social Commission for West Asia)	West Asia Regional Meeting December 1-7, 2003 Beirut, Lebanon	Regional Preparatory Meetings for Beijing +10 Review progress and obstacles encountered at the national and regional levels in the Implementation of the Arab Plan of Action for the Advancement of Women adopted in Amman in 1994, and the Beijing Platform of Action	View Press Release http://www.escwa.org.lb/ information/press/escwa/ 2003/dec/4.html
ECLAC www.eclac.org (Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean)	9th Regional Conference on Women in LAC June 10-12, 2004 Mexico City, Mexico Mexico and Central America Date TBA, Honduras South America March 23-24, 2004 Brasilia, Brazil Carribbean February 12-13, 2004 St. Vincent and the Grenadines	9th Regional Conference on Women in LAC Reviewing the implementation of international and regional agreements. Sub regional Conference on Women in LAC Analysis of the two thematic areas and the issue of sexual and reproductive health, with particular emphasis on HIV/AIDS The ECLAC secretariat is to prepare a list of the specific issues to be addressed under each of the thematic areas and produce a position paper reflecting the inputs received from countries	View Press Release http://www.eclac.org/cgi- bin/getProd.asp?xml=/por tofspain /noticias/noticias/7/13937/ P13937 .xml&xsl=/portofspain/tpl- i/p1f.xsl&base=\tpl-i\top- bottom.xsl
<u>ECA</u>	West Africa	10-Year Review of the	View Press Release
www.uneca.org	April 13-15, 2004	Dakar and Beijing	www.uneca.org

(Economic Commission for Africa)	Abuja, Nigeria North Africa April 14-16, 2004 Tangiers, Morocco Central Africa April 19-21, 2004, Brazzaville, Congo Southern Africa April 26-29, 2004 Lusaka, Zambia Africa Regional	Platforms for Action Formulation of the next policy framework document to guide gender-related work in the continent. The review will seek consensus on the gender-related priority areas in the sub-regions Sub-regional meetings will be organized to review and endorse national evaluation	
ECE/NA www.unece.org (Economic Commission for Europe/North America)	Europe and North America December 5-8, 2004 Geneva, Switzerland 5-6 for NGO's 7-8 for Govt's	reports into sub-regional evaluation. Priority areas include: Women and the Economy, Institutional Mechanisms Trafficking as well as Violence and Poverty as cross –cutting issues as they relate to the above priority areas.	
ESCAP (Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific)	Gender Equality in the A/P Region Seoul, South Korea November 12-13, 2003 East Asia Forum Hong Kong December 2003 Meeting Commonwealth Secretariat May 2004 Asia Pacific NGO Forum July 1-3, 2004 High Level Meeting September 6-9, 2004	Review of the Beijing Platform for Action - High Level Intergovernmental Meeting Evaluate best practices, review the 12 critical areas of concern of the BPFA, with a focus on institutional mechanisms and focus on 'emerging issues' of the region such as conflict and HIV/AIDS. ESCAP does not envisage any renegotiation of BPFA	
DAW http://www.un.org/ womenwatch/daw/ (Division for the Advancement of Women)	Questionnaires sent to governments November 2003 Questionnaires Due: April 30, 2004 48 th Session of CSW March 1-12 2004 New York, NY Beijing +10 Review March 2005 New York, NY	Beijing +10: Review of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action And review current challenges and forward looking strategies.	View Questionnaire http://www.un.org/women watch /daw/csw/2005Review/ind ex.html
UNGA http://www.un.org/ga /58/ (United National General Assembly)		5 year review of the Millennium Declaration and the MDGs	

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