**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK**

Open-ended IGWG to consider the possibility of elaborating an international regulatory framework

on the regulation, monitoring and oversight of the activities of private military and security companies

**Fifth session, 12 to 16 December 2016**

**Geneva, Palais des Nations, Room XXI**

| **Time** | **Monday, 12 December 2016** | **Tuesday, 13 December 2016** | **Wednesday, 14 December 2016** | **Thursday,15 December 2016**  | **Friday, 16 December 2016** |
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| **10 am to** **1 pm** | **Opening** of the session **Election** of the Chairperson-Rapporteur**Adoption** of the agenda, timetable and programme of work**General Statements** **Topic 1:** **Substantive report of the Chairperson of the UN Working Group on the use of mercenaries** * *Ms. Elzbieta Karska, Member of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination*

General discussion | **Topic 3:****General discussion and updates by participants on developments since the fourth session, including with regard to relevant legislation, initiatives and any other measures taken*** *Mr. Jean-Michel Rousseau, DCAF*
* *Ms. Alice McGrath-Crégut, DCAF*
* *Ms. Anne-Marie Buzatu, Interim-Executive Director of ICoCA*

*Member States and participants are kindly invited to share orally and/or in writing (by email to* *pwagle@ohchr.org**) any updates on relevant legislation, initiatives and other measures taken concerning* *the regulation, monitoring and oversight of the activities of private military and security companies*General discussion | **Topic 5:** **The operation of private security companies in maritime and other contexts** * *Mr. Kwezi Mngqibisa, African Center for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes*
* *Ms. Anna Petrig, University of Basel*

General discussion | **Topic 6:****Discussion with private military and security companies*** *Mr. Paul Gibson, Director, Security in Complex Environments Group*

General discussion | **Presentation of the summary of the fifth session** |
| **3 pm to** **6 pm** | **Topic 2:** **Update from relevant organizations and processes** * *Ms. Helen Obregón Gieseken***,** *Legal Officer,* *ICRC*

General discussion | **Topic 4:****Access to justice and remedies for victims of violations and abuses linked to the activities of PMSCs** Subtheme (a): Implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights – Relevance of the Accountability and Remedy Project and High Commissioner’s Report (A/HRC/32/19 and Add.1)* *Ms. Lene Wendland, Advisor on Business and Human Rights, OHCHR*
* *Mr. Surya Deva, Member of the Working Group on Business and Human Rights*

Subtheme (b): Views from civil society* *Mr. Carlos Lopez, Senior Legal Advisor, International Commission of Jurists*
* *Mr. Aly Marie Sagne, President, Lumiere Synergie pour le Developpement, Senegal*

General discussion | Informal consultations | Informal consultations continued |  |