

Fifth Session of the Assembly
25-27 October 2021, Hybrid

Agenda Item 18

Second AFoCO Ministerial Meeting

Introduction

1. In accordance with Decision 34-IV-20R regarding the Policy Relevance of AFoCO's Operation, the Assembly decided to hold Annual Thematic Dialogue starting from 2021. The dialogue meeting was structured at the regular session of the Assembly, to address key substantive areas. The themes, level of participants, the format of the sessions will vary depending on the situation in which each session is organized.
2. In 2022, it will be timely to organize the Second AFoCO Ministerial Meeting as the Annual Thematic Dialogue. Following the discourse during the AFoCO Ministerial Meeting in 2019, the Meeting will have the opportunity to reaffirm high-level commitment and support on AFoCO and its activities.
3. The objectives of the AFoCO Ministerial Meeting are to:
 - a. commemorate and celebrate the successful implementation of the Strategic Plan (2019-2023);
 - b. share the organizational vision and aspiration through high-level support for the launching of AFoCO Strategy 2024-2030; and
 - c. strengthen the country and regional presence of AFoCO through high-level participation.

Expected Result of the AFoCO Ministerial Meeting

4. In the closing session, the Meeting may consider the adoption of a joint statement for the Second AFoCO Ministerial Meeting as the valuable outcome document.

Points for consideration

5. The Assembly may wish to:
 - take note of the information on the Second AFoCO Ministerial Meeting in conjunction with the regular session of the Assembly in 2022; and
 - task the Secretariat to develop the detailed plan with Member Countries, and nominate members to the Organizing Committee for the Ministerial Meeting, and notify respective Parties, Observers, and partners.