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Special Session on Children: 8 – 10 May 2002

Tentative Organisation of Work
as of 8 April 2002

Time	5 – 7 MAY	8 MAY		9 MAY		10 MAY	
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM	<i>Children's Forum</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening (G.A. Hall): President of GA Secretary-General • Debate (G.A. Hall) • Ad hoc Committee of the Whole (Conference Room 2) 	<i>Side Events</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debate (G.A. Hall) • Round table 2 (9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) 	<i>Side Events</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debate (G.A. Hall) • Round table 3 (9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) 	<i>Side Events</i>
1:00- 3:00 PM			<i>Side Events</i>		<i>Side Events</i>		<i>Side Events</i>
3:00 – 7:00 PM	<i>Children's Forum</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debate (G.A. Hall) • Round table 1 (3:00 to 6:30 p.m.) 	<i>Side Events</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debate (G.A. Hall) • Ad hoc Committee of the Whole (Conference Room 2) 	<i>Side Events</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debate (G.A. Hall) • Closing (G.A. Hall) 	<i>Side Events</i>

(**Bold:** official programme. *Italics:* non-official events)

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PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE PLENARY, AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND ROUND TABLES

1) Plenary (General Assembly Hall):

A) Opening:

- Opening of the Special Session
- Minute of silent prayer or meditation
- Statement by the President of the General Assembly
- Statement by the Secretary-General
- Organizational matters

B) Debate: Statements by:

- Member States (list of speakers established on the basis of the drawing of lots held on 6 March)
- General Assembly observers
- Heads of entities of the UN system
- Limited number of NGOs

2) Ad hoc Committee of the Whole (Conference Room 2)

Chaired by Ambassador Patricia Durrant of Jamaica, Chairperson of the Preparatory Committee. The list of speakers can include General Assembly observers, UN system entities not represented at the head level, and NGOs.

3) Round tables (venue to be decided)

Three round tables will provide a more informal setting to address key issues of the Special Session under the overall theme “Renewal of commitment and future action for children in the next decade”. Each round table will have a maximum of 71 participants: 66 heads of delegation of Member States and 5 representatives of GA observers and entities of the UN system. Co-chairs will be heads of State or Government as follows: Round Table 1: Mongolia and Romania; Round Table 2: Finland and Mexico; Round Table 3: Zambia and the Republic of Korea. Two child delegates, representing Uganda, New Zealand, Rwanda, Bangladesh, Yugoslavia and Suriname, will deliver a brief introductory statement in each round table.