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**Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**  
Third Meeting of the Interim Intergovernmental Steering Group  
on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation

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Item 3 of the provisional agenda\*

**Report on progress made by the Legal and Technical  
Working Groups on the preparation of a draft road map for  
the implementation of the substantive provisions in the  
Framework Agreement on Facilitation of Cross-border  
Paperless Trade in Asia and the Pacific**

**Draft road map for the implementation of the substantive  
provisions in the Framework Agreement on Facilitation of  
Cross-border Paperless Trade in Asia and the Pacific\*\***

**Addendum**

The 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Legal and Technical Working Groups held on 21 – 22 March 2017 made the following further revisions:

**Article 6**

The revised text for the second task reads as follows: “Develop and implement a national policy framework for paperless trade on the basis of legal and technical readiness assessment of Article 12”

The revised text for the fourth task reads as follows: “Align the domestic legal framework with selected international legal frameworks and best practices as part of a national policy framework.”

**Article 9**

The revised text for the first task reads as follows: “Prepare an international standards implementation strategy, including selection of relevant international standards and guidelines to be used and the development of safe, secure and reliable means of communication for the exchange of data in the Asia and the Pacific.”

**Article 12**

The revised text for timeline of the second and the fourth tasks reads as follows: “Within 2 years of becoming a party.”

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**Article 14**

Two additional tasks were added: The first one is “Define reporting mechanism for capacity building received or provided” with implementation ownership of “Standing Committee with the support of Working Group(s)” and with timeline of “Within 9 months of entry into force.”; The second one is “Report capacity building received or provided” with implementation ownership of “Party” and with timeline of “As determined by each Party.”

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