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Mission Council Advisory Groups

Business Committee (by private members resolution from the Clerk and Convenor of the Business Committee)

Basic information

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Action required	Decision.
Draft resolution(s)	Resolution 06 General Assembly resolves that from the close of General Assembly 2021, all Mission Council Advisory Groups shall become Advisory Groups of the General Assembly, and instructs the Business Committee to reflect further on whether further work and / or greater clarity is needed on the differences between Standing Committees and Advisory Groups.

Summary of content

Subject and aim(s)	To clarify reporting lines and initiate further work on the differences between Advisory Groups and Standing Committees.
Main points	The changing pattern of meetings would leave Advisory Groups only able to report to the once a year meeting of Assembly Executive. In order for their work to be effective, they now need to be able to bring business to the Assembly. This raises questions about the differences between Advisory Groups and Committees, and so some further work is called for.
Previous relevant documents	N/A
Consultation has taken place with	N/A

Summary of impact

Financial	N/A
External (e.g. ecumenical)	N/A

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