



**Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol
to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products
Fourth session**

Geneva, Switzerland, 24–26 November 2025

26 November 2025

FCTC/MOP4(12)

Decision

FCTC/MOP4(12) Date and place of the Fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties

The Meeting of the Parties (MOP),

Taking into account Rule 3 of its Rules of Procedure, which provides that the sessions of the MOP shall be held at the seat of the Secretariat, unless the MOP decides otherwise;

Recalling decision FCTC/MOP1(11), establishing as a formal requirement for Parties hosting a regular session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC) to also host a session of the MOP, immediately following the COP, at the same geographic location and under the same circumstances, regardless of whether the host Party is also a Party to the Protocol;

Thanking Parties for expressing interest in the call to host the Twelfth session of the Conference of the Parties to the WHO FCTC and the Fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties (MOP5) to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products;

Considering that the following option has been proposed for convening MOP5,

DECIDES that MOP5 will be held in Armenia, with dates to be confirmed after agreement between the host country and the incoming Bureau, in consultation with the COP Bureau, and with the support of the Convention Secretariat.

(Fourth plenary meeting, 26 November 2025)
