Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

Wednesday, 23 December 2015

General Assembly
Seventieth session

16:00 82nd plenary meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall

1. The impacts of the 2015/16 El Niño phenomenon: draft resolution (A/70/L.37) [item 15]

2. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: note by the Secretary-General (A/70/107) [item 114 (e)]

3. International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [item 126]

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [item 127]

International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals [item 128]

(a) Letter from the Secretary-General (A/70/547)

(b) Letter from the President of the Security Council (A/70/661) (to be issued)

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(c) Draft resolution (A/70/L.39)

4. Reports of the Fifth Committee

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**General Assembly**  
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**Main Committees**  

**Fifth Committee**

15:00 23rd meeting [webcast]  
Conference Room 3

Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the main part of the seventieth session of the General Assembly

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, in writing, Ms. Ilene McGarde (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org). In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available by clicking here.]

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**Security Council**

**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1988 (2011)**

15:00 to 16:00 Informal consultations (closed)  
Conference Room 7

1. Briefing by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan
2. Other matters

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**Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da’esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities**

16:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed)  
Conference Room 7

1. Comprehensive reports of the Ombudsperson
2. Other matters
Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Wednesday, 23 December 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
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The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251 and A/70/251/Add.1), see documents A/70/252 and A/70/252/Add.1 for allocation of items.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The programme of work and the schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventieth session were issued on 7 October 2015 in document A/INF/70/3. Updates to the programme of work will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please click here.

The Delegates Handbook for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available online, please click here.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please click here for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

PaperSmart Services

Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.
Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d’affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly conducted the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the spring of 2016.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

Economic and Social Council
United Nations Children’s Fund

Executive Board

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2011/11 and rule 11 of the rules of procedure, the Executive Board will hold a formal meeting for the purpose of electing the officers of the Executive Board for 2016, on Friday, 8 January 2016, from 10:00 to 10:30, in Conference Room 6.
Informal consultations

In preparation for its first regular session, the Executive Board of UNICEF will hold informal consultations on: a) Plan for global thematic evaluations, 2014-2017: review and update for 2016-2017; b) Increasing access and equity in early childhood education in the CEE/CIS region and management response and; c) UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 and Report of the Board of Auditors, on Friday, 8 January 2016, from 10:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (2-4 February 2016) will take place on Friday, 19 January 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2. The pre-session will be combined with an informal briefing on: a) Private Fundraising and Partnerships: 2016 workplan and proposed budget; b) UNICEF resource mobilization strategy; and c) Oral update on UNICEF humanitarian action.

First regular session

The 2016 first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 2, to Thursday, 4 February 2016, in Conference Room 3. The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by clicking here. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1 (212) 326-7096); or e-mail to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but no later than Friday, 29 January 2016.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2016 first regular session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website (click here).

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing ‘Documents’ webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the ‘In-session’ webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (powerpoints, statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the ‘In-session’ webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.
Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme,  
the United Nations Population Fund and the  
United Nations Office for Project Services  
First regular session 2016

The first regular session 2016 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS  
will be held from Monday, 25 to Friday, 29 January 2016, in the Economic and Social  
Council Chamber. The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the  
session are contained in document DP/2016/L.1.

Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are  
posted on the UNDP Executive Board website (click here) and for the UNFPA segment  
on the UNFPA website (please click here).

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested  
to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official  
letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list to Ms. Henrietta Bledman  
(e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth  
Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA, as early as possible, but no later  
than Friday, 8 January 2016.

The first regular session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of  
distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive  
Board PaperSmart portal.

The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official  
languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations  
will be available in the language of submission.

The portal will be accessible via papersmart@un.org. Documents and statements will be  
available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile  
devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the  
print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal.

Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers’  
desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by  
e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org), at least two hours in  
advance of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the  
subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via  
the PaperSmart portal upon delivery.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

The elections of the Executive Board Bureau members will take place on Monday,  
11 January 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 6.

The pre-session informal consultation will take place on Monday, 11 January 2016,  
from 11:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 6.
Announcements

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs recently added the following lectures to the Lecture Series of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law (AVL) website: Judge Theodor Meron – “The Mechanism: A New Model of International Criminal Tribunal”; and Professor John Norton Moore – “The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea: One of the Greatest Achievements in the International Rule of Law (Shabtai Rosenne Memorial Lecture)”. All interested parties are invited to visit the website, please click here to access the lectures.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of January 2016:

- Introduction to United Nations Documents (English and Spanish)
- Law Library Overview
- General Assembly Documentation
- Security Council Documentation
- Treaty Research
- Finding Speeches
- Voting Information

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (click here).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events on the occasion of the sixtieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent missions and United Nations entities may access the system by clicking here. For inquiries and to sign up for an account, please contact UN-Women (e-mail csw.sideevents@unwomen.org).

Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council

The Repertoire is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations
to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009. For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by clicking here.

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (click here).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 7 November to Friday, 2 December 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States and Non-Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States.

The Regional Courses will be conducted in English in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (click here); or contact the Codification Division at: RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in French in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (click here) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).
Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by clicking here.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 22 December 2015

Security Council

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1994

Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (S/2015/577)

Report of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (S/2015/585)

Letter dated 16 November 2015 from the President of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991, addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2015/874)

Letter dated 17 November 2015 from the President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2015/883)

Letter dated 17 November 2015 from the President of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2015/884)

Letter dated 20 November 2015 from the President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2015/896)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2015/1005, submitted by Chile.

Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Chile.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2015/1005) before it.
**7594th meeting**

The situation in the Middle East

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2015/1004, submitted by the Russian Federation and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2015/1004) before it.

**Decision:** The draft resolution (S/2015/1004) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2257 (2015).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Jordan, France and China, and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of the United States.

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**7595th meeting**

The situation in the Middle East


The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2015/1001, submitted by Angola, Chile, France, Jordan, Lithuania, New Zealand, Nigeria, Spain, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2015/1001) before it.

**Decision:** The draft resolution (S/2015/1001) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2258 (2015).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Jordan, France and China, and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of the United States.

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**7596th meeting**

The situation in the Middle East

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Yemen to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure; Mr. Ismail Ould Cheikh Ahmed, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Yemen; Mr. Zeid Ra’ad Al Hussein, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; and Ms. Kyung-wha Kang, Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Cheikh Ahmed, Mr. Al Hussein and Ms. Kang.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Chad, Malaysia, Spain, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, China, Lithuania, Nigeria, Jordan, the Russian Federation, Angola, New Zealand, Chile and France, and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Yemen.
7597th meeting

*Non-Proliferation of weapons of mass destruction*

_Briefing by the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)_

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Security Council heard a briefing by His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi, Permanent Representative of Spain, in his capacity as the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004).

Statements were made by the representatives of Lithuania, Chad, New Zealand, Jordan, China, the United Kingdom, Malaysia, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, France, Nigeria, the Russian Federation, Angola and Chile, and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of the United States.

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**General Assembly**

Seventieth session

[archived video]

81st plenary meeting

*Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft decision (A/70/L.34) [items 15 and 116]*

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda items 15 and 116.

The President made a statement, in the course of which he orally revised draft decision A/70/L.34.

The General Assembly adopted draft decision A/70/L.34 (decision 70/539), as orally revised.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 15 and 116.

*Reports of the Second Committee*

The Vice-Chair (Germany) of the Second Committee introduced, on behalf of the Rapporteur, the reports of the Committee on agenda items 17 to 27, 64,120 and 135.

Under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Second Committee which were before the Assembly.

*Information and communications technologies for development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/469) [item 17]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/70/469) (resolution 70/184).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 17.

*Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/70/470) [item 18]*

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/70/470).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18.

*International trade and development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/470/Add.1) [item 18 (a)]*
The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 19 of its report (A/70/470/Add.1), as follows:

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The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 20 of its report (A/70/470/Add.1) (decision 70/541).

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 18.

*International financial system and development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/470/Add.2) [item 18 (b)]*

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/70/470/Add.2) (resolution 70/188 and 70/189, respectively).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 18.

*External debt sustainability and development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/470/Add.3) [item 18 (c)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/470/Add.3) (resolution 70/190).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 18.

*Commodities: report of the Second Committee (A/70/470/Add.4) [item 18 (d)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/470/Add.4) (resolution 70/191).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 18.

*Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/471) [item 19]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/70/471) (resolution 70/192).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 19.

*Sustainable development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472) [item 20]*
The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I to VIII recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 42 of its report (A/70/472), as follows:

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The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 43 of its report (A/70/472) (decision 70/542).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 20.

*Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.1) [item 20 (a)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/70/472/Add.1) (resolution 70/201).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 20.

*Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.2) [item 20 (b)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/472/Add.2) (resolution 70/202).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 20.

*International Strategy for Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.3) [item 20 (c)]*
The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/70/472/Add.3) (resolutions 70/203 and 70/204, respectively).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 20.

*Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.4) [item 20 (d)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/472/Add.4) (resolution 70/205).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 20.

*Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.5) [item 20 (e)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/472/Add.5) (resolution 70/206).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 20.

*Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.6) [item 20 (f)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/70/472/Add.6) (resolution 70/207).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 20.

*Harmony with Nature: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.7) [item 20 (g)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/472/Add.7) (resolution 70/208).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (g) of agenda item 20.

*United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.8) [item 20 (h)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/472/Add.8) (resolution 70/209).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (h) of agenda item 20.

*Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat): report of the Second Committee (A/70/473) [item 21]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/70/473) (resolution 70/210).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 21.

*Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/70/474) [item 22]*
The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/70/474).
The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 22.

*Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/70/474/Add.1) [item 22 (a)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/474/Add.1) (resolution 70/211).
The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 22.

*Science and technology for development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/474/Add.2) [item 22 (b)]*

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/70/474/Add.2) (resolutions 70/212 and 70/213, respectively).
The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 22.

*Culture and sustainable development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/474/Add.3) [item 22 (c)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/70/474/Add.3) (resolution 70/214).
The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 22.

*Development cooperation with middle-income countries: report of the Second Committee (A/70/474/Add.4) [item 22 (d)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/474/Add.4) (resolution 70/215).
The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 22 and of agenda item 22 as a whole.

*Groups of countries in special situations: report of the Second Committee (A/70/475) [item 23]*

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/70/475).
The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 23.

*Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries: report of the Second Committee (A/70/475/Add.1) [item 23 (a)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/475/Add.1) (resolution 70/216).
The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 23.

*Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries: report of the Second Committee (A/70/475/Add.2) [item 23 (b)]*

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/70/475/Add.2) (resolution 70/217).
The representative of Azerbaijan made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.
The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 23.

_Eradication of poverty and other development issues: report of the Second Committee (A/70/476) [item 24]_

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/70/476).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 24.


The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/476/Add.1) (resolution 70/218).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 24.

_Women in development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/476/Add.2) [item 24 (b)]_

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/476/Add.2) (resolution 70/219).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 24.

_Human resources development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/476/Add.3) [item 24 (c)]_

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/476/Add.3) (resolution 70/220).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 24 and of agenda item 24 as a whole.

_Operational activities for development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/477) [item 25]_

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/70/477).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 25.

_Operational activities for development of the United Nations system: report of the Second Committee (A/70/477/Add.1) [item 25 (a)]_

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/70/477/Add.1) (resolution 70/221).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 25.

_South-South cooperation for development: report of the Second Committee (A/70/477/Add.2) [item 25 (b)]_

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/70/477/Add.2) (resolution 70/222).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 25 and of agenda item 25 as a whole.

_Agriculture development, food security and nutrition: report of the Second Committee (A/70/478) [item 26]_
The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/70/478) (resolution 70/223).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 14 of its report (A/70/478) (decision 70/547).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 26.

Towards global partnerships: report of the Second Committee (A/70/479) [item 27]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/70/479) (resolution 70/224).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 27.

Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/70/480) [item 64]

By 164 votes to 5, with 10 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 12 of its report (A/70/480) (resolution 70/225).

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 64.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Second Committee (A/70/518) [item 120]

The General Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/70/518) (decision 70/548 and 70/549, respectively).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 120.

Programme planning: report of the Second Committee (A/70/519) [item 135]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/70/519).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 135.

Sustainable development; Oceans and the law of the sea: report of the Second Committee (A/70/472/Add.9) [items 20 and 79 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/70/472/Add.9) (resolution 70/226).

The representative of Argentina made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 20 and sub-item (a) of agenda item 79.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Second Committee before it at the meeting.
Main Committees

Fifth Committee

22nd meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Programme Budget Implications

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts introduced the statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/70/L.38 on the Organization of the 2016 High-level Meeting on HIV/AIDS (A/C.5/70/20).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/70/7/Add.40).

In the absence of speakers, the Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on the question just introduced would be held on that day, Tuesday, 22 December, immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting followed by all outstanding programme budget implications and revised estimates, and would be coordinated by Mr. Manjunath Cheneerappa (India).

The Chair further informed the Committee that informal consultations on all outstanding issues would be held on that day, Tuesday, 22 December, following the consideration of programme budget implications and revised estimates.

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