ECOSOC Resolution 2006/45

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the International Conference on Financing for Development, held in Monterrey, Mexico, from 18 to 22 March 2002, and General Assembly resolutions 56/210 B of 9 July 2002, 57/250, 57/272 and 57/273 of 20 December 2002, 57/270 B of 23 June 2003, 58/230 of 23 December 2003, 59/225 of 22 December 2004 and 60/188 of 22 December 2005,

Recalling also its resolutions 2002/34 of 26 July 2002, 2003/47 of 24 July 2003 and 2004/64 of 16 September 2004,

Recalling further the 2005 World Summit Outcome,1

Recalling General Assembly resolution 60/265 of 30 June 2006,

- 1. Takes note of the summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, held in New York on 24 April 2006,² and of the note by the Secretary-General on coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and the 2005 World Summit Outcome,³ prepared in collaboration with the major institutional stakeholders and other relevant organizations of the United Nations system;
- 2. Recalls paragraph 69 of the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development⁴ and, building on the experience of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, requests the President of the Economic and Social Council, with the support of the Financing for Development Office of the Secretariat, to initiate consultations, including with all major institutional stakeholders, on how to enhance the impact of the special high-level meeting of the Council, in order to:
- (a) Focus the special high-level spring meeting on specific issues, in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus, within the holistic integrated approach of the Consensus, in consultation with all major institutional stakeholders, and to report thereon to the Council well in advance of the meeting, and, in this regard, underlines the importance of transparency and openness with respect to Member States;

¹ See General Assembly resolution 60/1.

² A/61/81-E/2006/73.

³ E/2006/48 and Corr.1.

⁴ Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18-22 March 2002 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

- (b) Finalize the preparations well in advance of the meeting, in order to facilitate the participation of all participants and ensure high-level participation;
- (c) Discuss innovative ways and mechanisms to enhance interactions between the Council and the major institutional stakeholders in preparation of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;
- (d) Request the regional commissions, with the support of regional development banks, as appropriate, and in cooperation with the relevant United Nations entities, to continue to strengthen their efforts in addressing regional and interregional aspects of the follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development, in the context of General Assembly resolution 58/230, to undertake specific activities, and to provide inputs to the follow-up to the Conference, including the spring meeting of the Economic and Social Council;
- (e) Continue to involve all relevant stakeholders, including civil society organizations and the private sector, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council and the accreditation procedures and modalities of participation utilized at the Conference and its preparatory process.

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