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Chapter I Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

Recommendations of the Permanent Forum

Follow-up Outcome Document on the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples (Agenda Item 11)

1. The Permanent Forum regrets that the General Assembly did not establish a new category of participation of participation for indigenous peoples. Nevertheless, the Permanent Forum acknowledges the progress made in the implementation of the Outcome Document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples and recognizes the need to further advance the priorities clearly set out by indigenous peoples in the Alta Outcome Document.
2. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues acknowledges the ongoing consultation process to enhance the participation of indigenous peoples at the United Nations, under the leadership of the President of the General Assembly and takes note of the General Assembly resolution A/RES/71/321 that lays out a process to continue the consideration of indigenous peoples' participation at the United Nations.
3. The Permanent Forum welcomes the process of the President of the General Assembly, to organize and preside over informal interactive hearings, during its seventy-second, seventy-third and seventy-fourth sessions, on the margins of the sessions of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, to enhance the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them as adopted by the General Assembly resolution A/RES/71/321.



4. The Permanent Forum urges the Secretary General to convene, before its 18th Session, in consultation with the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, regional consultations in each of the seven indigenous regions to discuss the modalities for indigenous participation at the United Nations including how indigenous representatives can be enhanced. The Permanent Forum urges Member States to support the organization of these regional consultations.

5. The Permanent Forum, realizing that indigenous peoples can contribute greatly a range of issues on the international agenda, to encourages the President of the General Assembly to consider inviting representatives of indigenous peoples to other hearings and events

6. The Permanent Forum appreciates the efforts made by Guatemala, El Salvador, and Paraguay to develop national action plans in consultation with indigenous peoples and encourages them to share best practices. It further encourages Member States to continue to effectively engage with indigenous peoples at the national, local and community level to develop and implement national action plans, strategies or other measures to achieve the ends of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

7. The Permanent Forum welcomes work done by the UN System to implement the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Indigenous Peoples and encourages UN country teams to take the lead on facilitating dialogue between Member States and indigenous peoples towards the development of national action plans and other measures and to report on progress made at the 18th Session of the Permanent Forum.

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