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Excellency,

In our capacity as co-facilitators for the consultations on the scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and following the first informal meeting of 5 April 2011, we have the honor to forward the revised draft resolution pursuant to resolution 65/240 of 24 December 2010.

We will convene the second informal meeting on 24 May 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 of the NLB.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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“Scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action”

The General Assembly,

PP Recalling its resolution 65/240 of 24 December 2010, by which it decided to hold a one-day high-level meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, at the level of Heads of State and Government, on the second day of the general debate of the sixty-sixth session, under the theme “Victims of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: recognition, justice and development”,

OP1 Decides that the high-level meeting will be held on Thursday, 22 September 2011, consisting of an opening plenary meeting from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., two consecutive round tables from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and a closing plenary meeting from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The morning meeting of the General Debate on that day will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the understanding that these arrangements shall in no way create a precedent;

OP2 Decides that the speakers at the opening plenary will be the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the High-Commissioner for Human Rights as well as one speaker from each regional group, a representative of South Africa and a selected representative of a non-governmental organization active in the field of the elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance;

OP3 Decides that the organizational arrangements of the round tables will be as follows:

(a) The round tables will address the overall theme of “Victims of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: recognition, justice and development”;

(b) Each round table will be co-chaired by two Heads of State or Government to be invited by the President of the General Assembly after consultations with the regional groups;

(c) In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions, participation in each roundtable will be limited to Member States, observers, entities of the United Nations system and selected non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that are active in the field of the elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance;
(d) Accredited delegates, observers and selected non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that are active in the field of the elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance will be able to follow the proceedings of the round table sessions via a closed-circuit television in the overflow room;

OP4 Invites the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State and Palestine and the European Union in their respective capacity as observer, to participate in the high-level meeting;

OP5 Invites the President of the General Assembly, in consultation with Member States, to draw up a list of \( x \) representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council taking into account the principle of equitable geographical representation for their participation at the high level meeting; one of which will be selected to speak in the opening plenary, \( y \) to participate in the round tables and to submit the list to Member States for consideration on a no-objection basis;

OP6 Decides that the closing plenary meeting will comprise the presentation of summaries of the discussions by the Co-Chairs of the roundtables and the adoption of a short and concise political declaration.