

ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT  
RESOLUTION A/C.2/67/L.15/Rev.1 ENTITLED "International Migration  
and Development"

1. The present statement is made in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

2. In operative paragraphs 2, 3(b)(i), 3(b)(ii), 3(b)(iii) and 11 of draft resolution A/C.2/67/L.15/Rev.1, the General Assembly would:

2. Decide to hold a two-day high-level dialogue on international migration and development on 3 and 4 October 2013, after the general debate of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly, at United Nations Headquarters;

3. Further decide that the organizational arrangements for the high-level dialogue shall be as follows:

(b) The high-level dialogue will consist of four plenary meetings and four interactive multi-stakeholder round tables:

(i) Round tables 1 and 2 will be held in the morning and afternoon of the first day of the high-level dialogue;

(ii) Round tables 3 and 4 will be held in the morning and afternoon of the second day of the high-level dialogue;

(iii) Summaries of the deliberations of the four round-table sessions will be presented orally by the chairs of the round-table sessions during the concluding plenary meeting of the high-level dialogue;

11. Decide to hold, a one-day informal interactive hearings in 2013 with representatives of non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations and the private sector to be organized and presided over by the President of the General Assembly, and requests the President of the Assembly to prepare a summary of the hearings prior to the High-level Dialogue in September 2013.

3. Pursuant to the request contained in operative paragraphs 2, 3(b)(i), 3(b)(ii), and 3(b)(iii) of the draft resolution, it is envisaged that the two-day high-level dialogue on migration and development on 3 - 4 October 2013 will comprise 4 plenary meetings and 4 parallel round-table meetings with interpretation in all six languages, and Verbatim Records for the 4 plenary meetings. Interpretation service and verbatim records for the 4 plenary meetings of the high-level dialogue will be provided using the meeting entitlements of the General Assembly. However, the 4 parallel round-table meetings with interpretation in all six languages will constitute an addition to the meetings workload of the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management which would entail additional requirements in the amount of \$44,800 for meetings in 2013.

4. With regard to the request contained in operative paragraph 11 of the draft resolution, the one-day informal hearings in 2013 will be provided with interpretation services using the meeting entitlements of the General Assembly on the understanding that it will not meet in parallel with other meetings of the General Assembly. As such, this would not entail any additional resource requirements.

5. Accordingly, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution A/C.2/67/L.15/Rev.1, additional requirements of \$44,800 would arise under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management of the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013. However, all possible efforts would be made to absorb the additional requirements of \$44,800 within the existing resources under section 2 and to report thereon in the context of the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.