

ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT
RESOLUTION A/C.2/67/L.34/Rev.1 ENTITLED "Entrepreneurship for
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 16 and 17 of draft resolution A/C.2/67/L.34/Rev.1, the General Assembly would:

(a) Request the President of the General Assembly at the sixty-seventh session to convene a high-level thematic debate, to be held in plenary meeting, to discuss promoting entrepreneurship in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication at the national, regional and international levels, and the role of the UN and the international community in this regard;

(b) Request the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session a report on the progress in implementing the present resolution, including highlighting best practices and identifying possible measures which would be taken at all level in support of entrepreneurship"

3. Pursuant to the request contained in operative paragraphs 16, it is envisaged that the high-level thematic debate will comprise one meeting in the morning and possibly another meeting in the afternoon with interpretation in all six languages, with verbatim for the plenary meeting(s) only. These meetings will use the meeting entitlement of the General Assembly on the understanding that it will no meet in parallel with other meetings of the General Assembly. The dates of meeting will have to be determined in consultation with the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management.

4. It is anticipated that the request contained in operative paragraph 17 for documentation will constitute an addition to the documentation workload of the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management of one document of 8,500 words to be issued in all six languages. This would entail additional requirements in the amount of \$50,900 for documentation services in 2014.

5. Accordingly, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution A/C.2/67/L.34/Rev.1, additional requirements of \$50,900 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management would be included in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.