

**High-Level Plenary Meeting on the  
Thirtieth Anniversary of the Adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child**

*The General Assembly,*

**PP1** *Recalling* its resolution A/RES/73/155 on the Rights of the Child,

**PP2** *Emphasizing* that the Convention on the Rights of the Child constitutes the standard in the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, and, bearing in mind the importance of the Optional Protocols to the Convention, calling for their universal ratification and effective implementation, as well as that of other human rights instruments, **[RES/68/273, PP1]**

**PP3** *Welcoming* the thirtieth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the human rights treaty with the most ratifications in history, and acknowledging that the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Optional Protocols thereto contain a comprehensive set of international legal standards for the protection and well-being of children, **[RES/68/273. PP2]**

**PP4** *Recognizing* that, while progress has been made, the situation of children is critical in many parts of the world and many challenges remain to ensure the full realization of their rights, and that in this regard the thirtieth anniversary of the Convention is an occasion for States to reflect on implementation gaps and to undertake additional measures to ensure children's rights, **[RES/68/273, PP3]**

**OP 1** *Decides* to convene a high-level event on the occasion of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child during the high-level week of the 74<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly, on 25 September 2019 from 9 AM to 10 AM at the Trusteeship Council, and that the high-level event will comprise an interactive session; **[based on OP 1 of RES/68/273]**

**OP 2** *Decides further* that, in addition to the participation of the President of the General Assembly and the Secretary-General, the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, UN Messenger for Peace - Ms. Malala Yousafzai, Poland as the initiator of the Convention of the Rights of the Child, and the first Member State from each regional group to have ratified the Convention will address the high-level event; **[based on OP 2 of RES RES/68/273]**

**OP 3** *Decides also* to convene a high-level plenary meeting at the General Assembly Hall on 20 November 2019 from 10 AM to 1 PM on the occasion of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child to be facilitated by the United Nations Children's Fund with meaningful participation of children;

**OP 4** *Decides further* that, in addition to the participation of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, the

Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children, the Chair of the Committee on the Rights of the Children and the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, Member States will address the high-level plenary meeting;

**OP 5** *Requests* the President of the General Assembly, in a transparent manner and in consultation with Member States, with support from the United Nations Children's Fund, to finalize the organizational arrangements for the high-level event and the high-level plenary meeting, with due regard given to gender balance and equitable geographical distribution, as well as the meaningful participation of children; **[based on OP 4 of RES/68/273]**

**OP 6** *Encourages* all Member and observer States and observers to be represented at the high-level event and the high-level plenary meeting at the highest possible level and to include children and young persons in their delegations; **[based on OP 5 of RES/68/273]**

**OP 7** *Encourages* Member States to take action, including through meaningful consultations with children, for the promotion of the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the advancement of the rights of the child at the regional, national and subnational levels throughout 2019, which could be presented at the high-level event and the high-level plenary meeting;

**OP 8** *Invites* all relevant United Nations entities and other relevant intergovernmental, regional and sub-regional organizations to participate in the high-level event and the high-level plenary meeting at the highest possible level; **[OP 6 of RES/68/273]**

**OP 9** *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to draw up a list of interested representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council who may participate in the high-level event and the high-level plenary meeting; **[OP 7 of RES/68/273]**

**OP 10** *Also Requests* the President of the General Assembly to draw up a list of other representatives of relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions and the private sector who may attend the high-level meetings, taking into account the principles of transparency and of equitable geographical representation, and with due regard to the meaningful participation of women, and to submit the list to Member States for their consideration on a non-'objection basis'<sup>1</sup>; **[based on OP 7 of RES/72/131]**

**OP 11** *Further requests* the President of the General Assembly, with support from the United Nations Children's Fund, to prepare a summary of the high-level plenary meeting in November and to bring the summary to the attention of Member States, relevant United Nations entities and other stakeholders. **[OP 9 of RES/68/273]**

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<sup>1</sup> The list of proposed as well as final names will be brought to the attention of the General Assembly. Where a name is objected to, the objecting member states will make known of the office of the President of The General Assembly the general basis of its objections and the office will share any information received with any Member State upon its request