

Enhancing Action on Sea-Level Rise

The General Assembly,

Recalling its decision 78/544 of 16 January 2024 to hold a “high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on addressing the existential threats posed by sea level rise” in New York on 25 September 2024 during the high-level week of the 79th session of the General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution xx of xx on the scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting on addressing the existential threats posed by sea level rise,

Recognizing the importance of enhanced international cooperation and collective action to address sea-level rise, and determined to strengthen the global response and support to developing countries, especially those that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change, and coastal communities, to build resilience and adapt to its consequences,

Decides to:

1. Commit to strengthening international cooperation and partnerships to enhance comprehensive and effective responses to sea-level rise;
2. Request the Secretary-General to prepare a report, including by inviting contributions from Member States, to be submitted near the conclusion of the seventy-ninth session or early in the eightieth session of the General Assembly, to provide information on challenges related to sea-level rise and on ways and approaches to address sea-level rise;
3. Request the President of the General Assembly to organize a one-day high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly no later than the last day of the General Debate of the Assembly at its eighty-first session to further consider sea-level rise, which will result, without setting a precedent for similar meetings, in a concise, action-oriented, and intergovernmentally negotiated declaration agreed by consensus.