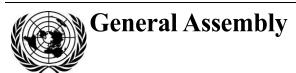
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Item 3 of the provisional agenda*
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Draft resolution submitted by Austria and Mongolia on the basis of informal consultations

Additional modalities and format of the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries

The Preparatory Committee for the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 77/246 of 30 December 2022,

- 1. Recommends the provisional agenda set forth in annex I to the present resolution for adoption by the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries;
- 2. Decides that the Conference shall be organized in accordance with the organization of work set forth in annex II to the present resolution.

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Annex I

Provisional agenda of the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries

- 1. Opening of the Conference.
- 2. Election of the President.
- 3. Adoption of the rules of procedure.
- 4. Adoption of the agenda.
- 5. Election of officers other than the President.
- 6. Organization of work and other organizational matters.
- 7. Credentials of representatives participating in the Conference:
 - (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
- 8. General debate.
- 9. Interactive thematic round tables.
- 10. Consideration of the draft outcome document(s).
- 11. Adoption of the report.
- 12. Closure of the Conference.

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Annex II

Proposed organization of work of the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries

- 1. The arrangements set out below have been formulated pursuant to General Assembly resolution 77/246.
- 2. The third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries will be held in Kigali from 18 to 21 June 2024.

I. Organization of work

A. Plenary meetings

3. The third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries will consist of an opening and a closing and a total of six plenary meetings, to be webcast, as follows:

First day: morning and afternoon.

Second day: morning and afternoon.

Third day: morning and afternoon.

Fourth day: morning and afternoon.

- 4. At the formal opening of the Conference, to take place during the plenary meeting to be held on the morning of the first day, consideration will be given to all procedural and organizational matters, including the adoption of the rules of procedure and the agenda, the election of the President of the Conference, the election of officers, the establishment of a Main Committee, if required, the appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee, arrangements for the preparation of the report of the Conference and other matters. At the opening, statements will be made by the President of the Conference, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the President of the General Assembly, the President of the Economic and Social Council, the Chair of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries, a development partner, a representative of a transit country and a private sector representative. The plenary meeting will then proceed to the general debate.
- 5. The closing plenary meeting, to be held on the afternoon of the fourth day, is expected to conclude with reporting on the interactive thematic round tables, to be followed by the adoption of the outcome document(s) and the report of the Conference.
- 6. The plenary meetings on the second to fourth days will be run in parallel with the interactive thematic round tables.

B. Interactive thematic round tables

7. The third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries will include five interactive thematic round tables, to be webcast in parallel with the plenary meetings, as follows:

First day: afternoon

Second day: morning and afternoon.

Third day: morning and afternoon.

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- 8. The round tables should be collaborative and multi-stakeholder in nature, with due regard for gender and geographical balance, and will be focused on addressing existing and new and emerging challenges and opportunities for the sustainable development of landlocked developing countries and ways and means to address them, including through the strengthening of collaborative partnerships between landlocked developing countries and transit countries and their development partners, and will further identify priorities for the sustainable development of landlocked developing countries.
- 9. The Bureau of the Preparatory Committee will be entrusted to finalize the themes and other modalities of the round tables, in consultation with Member States and with the support of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, and relevant United Nations entities.
- 10. Each round table will be presided over by two Co-Chairs, one from a developed State and one from a developing State, to be appointed by the President of the Conference.
- 11. The outcomes of the interactive thematic round tables should be reported to the closing plenary meeting of the Conference and included in the final report of the Conference.

C. Main Committee

12. A Main Committee, if established in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference, will meet when the plenary meetings are not being held. The Main Committee will be responsible for finalizing any outstanding matters.

II. Accreditation: institutional stakeholders

- 13. Other relevant intergovernmental organizations, international financial institutions and other interested international bodies that were accredited to the United Nations Conferences on Landlocked Developing Countries, the World Summit on Sustainable Development, the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, the international meeting entitled "Stockholm+50: a healthy planet for the prosperity of all our responsibility, our opportunity", the 2022 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development, the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries and the United Nations Conference on the Midterm Comprehensive Review of the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Decade for Action, "Water for Sustainable Development", 2018–2028, as well as relevant organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, including associate members of the regional commissions, may participate in the deliberations of the Conference, as appropriate, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference.
- 14. In addition, interested intergovernmental organizations that were not accredited to the conferences and international meetings referred to in paragraph 13 may apply for accreditation following the established accreditation procedure, subject to the approval of the Preparatory Committee or the General Assembly. Information on accreditation will be available on the Conference website (www.un.org/en/landlocked).

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III. Accreditation: non-governmental organizations, major groups and other relevant stakeholders

- 15. The non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, major groups identified in Agenda 21, as well as non-governmental organizations that were accredited to previous United Nations Conferences on Landlocked Developing Countries, should register in order to participate in the Conference and its preparatory process.
- 16. In addition, other relevant stakeholders, including civil society organizations, the private sector and non-governmental organizations not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, wishing to attend and contribute to the Conference, and whose work is relevant to the subject of the Conference, may participate as observers in the Conference, as well as in the preparatory meetings, in accordance with the provisions contained in part VII of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, subject to the approval of the General Assembly.
- 17. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, the secretariat of the Conference shall be responsible for the receipt and preliminary evaluation of requests for accreditation to the Conference and its preparatory process. In the discharge of its functions, the secretariat of the Conference should review the relevance of the work of the applicants on the basis of their background and involvement in sustainable development issues.
- 18. In accordance with paragraph 51 (c) of resolution 77/246, the President of the General Assembly was requested to draw up a list of representatives of other relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions and the private sector who may participate in the Conference and its preparatory process, taking into account the principles of transparency and of equitable geographical representation and with due regard for gender parity and to submit the proposed list to Member States for their consideration on a non-objection basis and bring the list to the attention of the Assembly for a final decision by the Assembly on participation in the Conference.
- 19. The list referred to above will be disseminated at least one month before the decision is taken by the General Assembly.

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